



Town Council of the Town of Cormack  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting December 18, 2023

**Absent with Regret:** Mayor Robbie Coles  
Deputy Mayor Ryan Toope  
Councilor Melvin J. Rideout  
Councilor Chuck Elms  
**Absent with Regret:** Councilor Lauralee Ledrew

**Also, Present:** Town Clerk Manager Tracey Hewitt:  
**Absent with Regret:** Recreation Director, Crystal Keeping

Regular meeting called to order at 7:40pm

**The Deputy Mayor chaired the meeting.**

**Delegate:**

- There were no delegates at the meeting.

Resolution 023-081 Councilor Rideout / Elms 3 For, 0 Opposed, Carried  
Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular meeting of November 9,2023 be adopted as presented.

**Administration**

**Permits and Applications**

Resolution 023-082 Councilor Elms / Rideout 3 For, 0 Opposed, Carried  
Resolved to approve/ ratify the following permits:

Dylan Crocker	Not approved; not allowing two structures before dwelling erected.	

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**Fire Department**

Councilor Elms

- The fire department is requesting to purchase a new filtration system for the department.
- Repairs are needed to the overhead door at the truck bay.

**Recreation**

**The Recreation report was tabled and reviewed with the Recreation Director.**

Council was updated on upcoming events and financials.

Resolution 023-083                      Councilor Elms / Rideout 3 For, 0 Opposed, Carried  
 Resolved to pay payables as presented, with the exception of B & S Trucking to get clarification on the invoice, in the amount of Twenty-five thousand three hundred fifty-four dollars and six cents. (25,354.06)

**The regular meeting adjourned to commence budget consultations.**

**Regular Meeting recalled to order at 9:15 pm.**

Resolution                      023-084   Rideout / Elms. 3 for, 0 opposed, carried  
 The 20244 Municipal Budget

<b>Revenue:</b>		
Taxes	\$	635,928.00
Sales of Goods and Services		61,140.00
Other Revenue from Own Sources		72650.00
Government Transfers		85,805.00
Grants and Subsidies		35,194.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>890,717.00</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>		
General Government	\$	161,120.00
Protective Services		52,413.00
Transportation Services		248,300.00
Environmental Health		79,000.00
Planning and Development		0.00
Recreation and Cultural Services		61,845.00
Fiscal Services		287,191.00
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>889,869.00</b>

Resolution 023-084 Councilor Elms / Rideout 3 For, 0 Opposed, Carried  
Resolved to adopt the budget 2024 as presented and accept Terms and provisions as stated below:

The due date for all taxes levied by the Town of Cormack is January 1, 2024. The town will provide a discount of 5% on 2024 Property Tax, Business Tax (excluding the Utility Tax) and Poll Tax on payments paid or postmarked by February 28, 2022. The Town of Cormack will offer a second discount period of March 15, 2022 in which a second discount will be offered of 2.5 %. The town will also offer an additional reduction in taxes in the amount of Thirty Dollars (\$ 30.00) to seniors (65+) upon proof of age. After which date the unpaid balances are in arrears and subject to interest charges of .8125 % annual rate to be applied monthly. A payment plan can be arranged with the town with the following stipulations: the plan must be in place with the town by March 31, 2024. payments must be no less than the minimum of equal payments made over the period of the plan payments must be received in each of the months, failure to receive payment will result in cancellation of the payment plan upon final payment, and all terms and conditions being met, the interest charges accumulated against the current year's tax account will be written Off (from the start of payment plan).

Resolution 023-085 Councilor Elms/ Rideout 3 for, 0 Opposed, Carried.  
Resolved to give all staff a Xmas bonus of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). Give all staff, council, heads of committee a Twenty-five Dollar gift card.

Resolution 023-086 Councilor Elms / Rideout 3 for, 0 Opposed, Carried.  
Resolved to increase the hourly rate of the Town Clerk Manager, Recreation Director, Maintenance Operator and Seasonal Operators by one dollar effective by January 1, 2024.

Resolution 023-087 Councilor Rideout / Elms 3 for, 0 Opposed, Carried.  
Resolved to approve the tax structure as presented with no changes from 2023.

Resolution 023-088 Councilor Rideout/ Elms 3 for, 0 Opposed, Carried.  
Resolved to close for Christmas on December 22,2023 and reopen on January 3 at 9am.


Resolution 023-089 Councilor Rideout / Elms 3 for, 0 Opposed, Carried.  
Be it resolved to request your approval to borrow the sum of Seventy-one thousand two hundred seventy-four dollars (\$71,274.00) with a fixed interest rate of 6.25% for a 5-year term from the Bank of Montreal in Deer Lake. The purpose of this loan is to finance a new town pickup truck, 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 4wd, with monthly payments of one thousand three hundred eighty-six dollars and twenty-three cents. \$1386.23

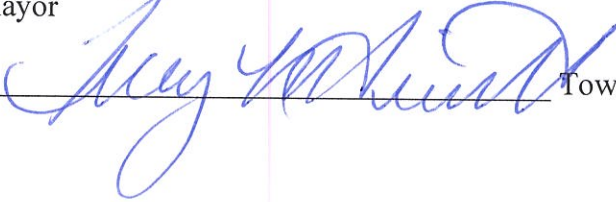
Resolution 023-090 Councilor Rideout / Elms 3 for, 0 Opposed, Carried.  
Be it resolved to request an additional loan of eleven thousand four hundred sixty-four dollars and five cents (\$11,464.05) for the GST portion, which is to be repaid @ interest calculated & charged on a monthly basis at a floating rate of Prime + 1.00% for a 1-year term, which will be due in full at maturity.

Approx. monthly interest will be seventy-two dollars and sixty-one cents. (\$72.61.)

Resolution 023-091                      Councilor Rideout/ Elms 3 for, 0 Opposed, Carried.  
Resolved to pay a remuneration to council in 2024. 500.00 quarterly for Mayor and 400.00 quarterly for council. Attendance will be a condition of payment.

Resolution 023-092                      Councilor Rideout / Elms 3 For, 0 Opposed, Carried  
Resolved that due to there not being any further business in urgent need of discussion that the meeting adjourns at 10:30 pm. With the next regularly scheduled meeting set for Thursday, January 11, 2024, beginning at 7:30 pm.

  
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Mayor

  
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Town Clerk Manager