

**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
of the Town of Sturgis held in the Council Chambers
on November 21st, 2024.**

Present: Mayor: Dean Harris, Councillors: Michael Yaremchuk, Carol Smith, Perry Keller, Tecia Fincaryk, Nathan Seghers, Jeff Chupik and CAO Shawna Johnson.

Regrets:

With a quorum being present, Mayor Dean Harris called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Mayor Harris welcomed the new council. Oaths to office papers were signed and submitted.

Minutes	200/2024	Fincaryk: That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on October 17 th , 2024, be approved as read. <div>Carried</div>
Election Results	201/2024	Chupik: That the Town of Sturgis acknowledge the statement of results from the election held November 13 th , 2024. <div>Carried</div>
Council & Local Board Appointments	202/2024	Smith: That the miscellaneous, local board and council appointments for the period of November 21 st , 2024 to December 31 st , 2025 that are attached to these minutes be appointed. <div>Carried</div>
Signing Authority	203/2024	Fincaryk: That the Town of Sturgis town council authorize signing authority to the newly elected officials for the Town of Sturgis Crossroads Credit Union account. Add the following Michael Yaremchuck, Carol Smith, Tecia Fincaryk, Nathan Seghers and Jeff Chupik. Remove the following individuals Dale Bashforth, Kim Macleod Randy Sommerville and Daniel Wasylenchuk. <div>Carried</div>
Multi Complex	204/2024	Chupik: That the Town of Sturgis town council is requesting a quote for supplying proper heat to the massage therapy room at the Multi-Complex from Danielson Plumbing & Heating. As well a quote from Norquay Co-op for broken windows in the Dance room, Nursery School Room and Message Therapy room. Administration is required to email quotes to the council for recommendations as this is time sensitive. <div>Carried</div>
SCS Breakfast Program Donation	205/2024	Smith: That the Town of Sturgis town council will donate \$250.00 to the Sturgis Composite School - Breakfast Program. This program provides healthy daily grab and go options for students throughout the school year. <div>Carried</div>
Whitehawk Donation	206/2024	Sehgers: That the Town of Sturgis town council give a donation of \$100.00 to the Whitehawk Arts Council. <div>Carried</div>
Board of Revision	207/2024	Seghers: That the Town of Sturgis town council appoint Nor-Sask board services for Municipal property assessment appraiser -2025 Board of Revision. <div>Carried</div>
Building Permits	208/2024	Fincaryk: That the Town of Sturgis town council approve the building permits for Lot 09 Block 02 Plan1414 and Lot 01 Plan14 60Y01861. <div>Carried</div>

Unit of Funding	209/2024	<p>Seghers: That the town of Sturgis pay for their unit of funding of \$1000.00 to the Sturgis & District Rural Fire Co-operative as required for 2024.</p> <p>Carried</p>
Corres-pondence	210/2024	<p>Chupik: That the following correspondence having been read be filed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. SUMA Urban Updates2. GSSD In Focus & from the Board Report3. Accepted and read the resignation letter from Myrtle Boychuk regarding museum.4. Final Audit Feb 11th, 2025.5. Acknowledged letter from Bingo requesting help from the new Council to help at Bingo’s Tuesday nights.6. Discussion of Jake Soltys trip and program held at the SCS. The Town of Sturgis is proud of his achievements.7. Business License to move forward in 2025.8. Summer Student Funding – due Dec. 19th, 2024. <p>Carried</p> <p>7:41pm Forman Howard joined the meeting to talk about day-to-day operations. He discussed if council would like any reports changed or altered if so to let him know. Forman Howard discussed the water consumption and that we are low at this point, no water breaks. Water Treatment is almost completed, there will be a few bills to pay as they are still not in. Forman Howard remained in the council chambers to discuss R.M of Preeceville request.</p> <p>7:58pm Johnny Petryshyn (Reeve) and Lisa Peterson (Administrator) for the R.M. of Preeceville joined the meeting to discuss that the town of Sturgis will salt the hills east of town in return for the R.M. of Preeceville to continue to maintain the grid road on the south end of town by the railway track and to the old ski chalet. Forman Howard will do that area, but it will not be priority, and will use what supplies the town has left.</p>
Road Maintenance	211/2024	<p>Keller: That the Town of Sturgis town council agree to maintaining the ice on the hills east of town in return for the R.M. of Preeceville to maintain the grid road on south side of the Town of Sturgis.</p> <p>Carried</p> <p>8:05pm Forman Shaun Howard, Johnny Petryshen and Lisa Peterson left the meeting.</p> <p>8:08pm Andrea Sopel-Tonn joined the council meeting to discuss the activities and events that have happened and what upcoming events are planned. Andrea congratulated the council and extended her excitement to work with this council moving forward. Advertising for events is done by social media, mail and posters. Andrea is looking for representation by council for Rec board and Hall. Hall sign is working. Walking club being arranged, this will take place at the hall. Small fee or donation to generate some revenue for the hall. Broom ball Saskatchewan is interested in coming to introduce the sport and involve the community. Volunteer Appreciation night for the New Year is being planned. There have been so many volunteers helping with the Rec activities, it has been outstanding. Andrea discussed the huge role with her and council having strong communication, therefore the residents have more information on her roles, responsibilities and accountability. Andrea also assured the council she was not hired for \$80,000 salary per year. The council agreed to close down Main Street for the Deck the Streets Dec. 5th 2024. Christmas Party event for the community Dec 20th – Quick Dick McDick at the Sturgis & District Community Hall.</p> <p>8:42pm Andrea left the meeting.</p>

December Council Meeting	212/2024	Fincaryk: That the Town of Sturgis town council change the regular scheduled council meeting to December 12 th , 2024. Carried
Business License	213/2024	Yarmemchuk: That the Town of Sturgis town council rescind motion 173/2024 made in September regarding not collecting business licenses in 2025. Each contractor must get a license as the town cannot take any lose of funds. Carried
Summer Student Grant	214/2024	Seghers: That the Town of Sturgis town council approves the administration to apply for Canada Summer Job Funding - 2025. Apply for 4 students. Deadline December 19 th , 2024. Carried
Transfer Funds	215/2024	Smith: That the Town of Sturgis town council agrees to transfer \$200,000 from the Flex term account into the Chequing account. Mayor Harris will sign an I approval letter. The transferred funds are for operation expenses until the taxes are paid at the end of June 2025. Carried
Reports	216/2024	Chupik: That the following reports be accepted as presented: 1. Financial for October 2. Foreman’s written October report 3. Landfill – Closed for Christmas -Dec. 24 th , 25 th and 26 th . Discussed the importance of Recycling and that the expense to close our Landfill is detrimental to the Town of Sturgis finances. 4. Hall – Sewer smell is horrific, need to fix the issue a.s.a.p. Contact Danielson for a quote. 5. PRWMA – Next meeting Dec. 2 nd 7:30pm at the Sturgis & District Community Hall. 6. Rec - Very busy with events. Deck the Streets Dec. 5 th , Community Christmas party Dec 20 th at the hall with entertainment by Quick McDick. Carried
Accounts Payable	217/2024	Smith: That the accounts attached to form part of these minutes be approved for payment. Carried
Adjourn	218/2024	Seghers: That this meeting be adjourned (10:26pm). Carried

Mayor

Administrator