

**TOWN OF ARBORG
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday December 11th, 2024**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 9:00 A.M.

Mayor Peter Dueck called the Meeting to Order at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Mayor Peter Dueck, Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston
Councillors: Rob Thorsteinson, Ron Rogowsky, Donna Gislason
Also Present: Cindy Stansell, Chief Administrative Officer

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

282-2024

Thorsteinson / Gislason
BE RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted. **CARRIED**

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting – November 13th, 2024
2. Special Meeting – November 20th, 2024

283-2024

Gislason / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes from the following Meeting be adopted:
Regular Meeting – November 28th, 2024
Special Meeting – December 9th, 2024

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes be signed by the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer. **CARRIED**

4. DELEGATIONS, HEARINGS & PETITIONS

1. Keillie Yellowega 9:00 A.M.
Re: F.Y.R.S.T. / Re-Start Program

Mayor Dueck welcomed Kellie to the Meeting. Kellie introduced the F.Y.R.S.T program from her perspective. She started in March and works with ESD & Gimli RCMP and with kids that are struggling. She explained how the program works. Kellie Left the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Everyone attended the AMM Fall Convention and the Special Council Meeting.

1. CAO Report

Cindy reported on the following:

- Public Works Interviews
- ED & CF Strategic Planning Meeting
- E-mail Migration

2. Council Reports
 1. ABPRC – GST Request

284-2024

Rogowsky / Thorsteinson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg Council approve to pay 50% of the GST amount owing to the CRA on behalf of the Arborg-Bifrost Parks and Rec Commission up to a maximum of \$40,000.00. **CARRIED**

Councillor Ron Johnston reported on attendance at the following:

- EIWD Conference

Councillor Donna Gislason reported on attendance at the following:

- ADMHV Meeting
- PW Interviews
- ASHC Meeting
- EIPD Meeting

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Councillor Rob Thorsteinson reported on the following:

- PW Operations

Attendance at the following:

- EIPD Meeting
- PW Interviews

Councillor Ron Rogowsky reported on attendance at the following:

- Vet Meeting

Mayor Peter Dueck reported on attendance at the following:

- Chamber of Commerce AGM
- James Bezan Christmas Dinner
- ASHC Meeting

3. EDO Report

Breanna reported on the following:

- Toured 7 Businesses
- Got back 3 questionnaires
- ED & CF Strategic Planning Meeting
- Creative Cocoon Meeting
- Chamber of Commerce AGM

4. Committee of the Whole Reports - Nil

6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

1. Financial Statements as at November 30th, 2024

285-2024

Thorsteinson / Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the November 30th, 2024 Financial Statement be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

2. List of Accounts for Approval

286-2024

Thorsteinson / Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following accounts for 2024 be approved for payment:

Cheque No. 15480 -15540	\$164,990.91	CARRIED
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3. Interim Operating Budget

287-2024

Thorsteinson / Gislason

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 163 of the *Municipal Act*, the Council of the Town of Arborg has made an **Interim Budget** of all Operating and Capital Expenditures of the Municipality for the Period of January 1, 2025 until the adoption of the Annual Estimates;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this **Interim Budget** be hereby adopted as follows:

<u>Operating Requirements:</u>	
General Government Services	\$200,000.00
Protective Services	250,000.00
Transportation Services	200,000.00
Environmental Health Services	60,000.00
Public Health and Welfare Services	25,000.00
Environmental Development Services	15,000.00
Economic Development Services	25,000.00
Recreation and Cultural Services	175,000.00
Fiscal Services	<u>200,000.00</u>
	\$1,150,000.00
Capital Requirements	\$500,000.00
Utility Operating Requirements	\$200,000.00
Utility Capital Requirements	\$500,000.00
	CARRIED

7. BY-LAWS & POLICIES FOR CONSIDERATION

1. By-law No. 11-2024
Borrowing Funds for 2025

288-2024

Thorsteinson / Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 11-2024, a By-law of the Town of Arborg to Provide for Borrowing Funds for Current and Capital Expenses for 2025, be read a second time. **CARRIED**

289-2024

Johnston / Rogowsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 11-2024, a By-law of the Town of Arborg to Provide for Borrowing Funds for Current and Capital Expenses for 2025, be read a third time and finally passed.

As required by Section 137 of *The Municipal Act*, a recorded vote was taken on the motion:

Council Member	For	Against	Abstained
Mayor Peter Dueck	v		
Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston	v		
Councillor Donna Gislason	v		
Councillor Rob Thorsteinson	v		
Councillor Ron Rogowsky	v		

CARRIED

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Alex Janower ~ Riverdale Place Workshop Inc. **Held Over**
* Financial Commitment
2. 2025 Volunteer Gala Committee
* 4th Annual Community Volunteer Recognition Gala
Discussion: Will take part in the gala this year.

9. NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Transfer of Outstanding Accounts to the Tax Roll

290-2024

Johnston / Thorsteinson

WHEREAS Pursuant to Section 252(2) of the *Municipal Act*, the amount of all outstanding charges for water and sewer service are a lien and charge upon the land serviced, and shall be collected in the same manner in which ordinary taxes upon the land are collectible, and with like remedies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the addition of the following outstanding Sewer and Water Consumer Accounts to the Tax Roll:

	Bill ID	Roll No.	Total
1	43.0040	32300	15.79
2	79.0020	4200	98.16
3	6810.0020	6810	123.31
4	9100.0140	9100	348.63
5	11100.0030	11100	547.80
6	11200.0070	11200	74.05
7	12100.0010	12100	291.37
8	13400.0000	13400	312.48
9	13500.0010	13500	316.34
10	16200.0060	16200	270.65
11	16300.0010	16300	101.28
12	20700.0030	20700	207.35
13	20750.0020	20750	206.96
14	20950.0020	20950	539.00
15	22120.0010	22120	281.06
16	22600.0000	22600	507.56
17	24300.0010	24300	95.68
18	24795.0000	24795	312.48
19	30600.0010	30600	264.45
20	30800.0050	30800	159.39
21	30900.0010	30900	549.13
22	36500.0000	36500	25.55
23	37200.0010	37200	154.70
24	37500.0060	37500	716.40
25	41600.0010	41600	307.74
26	43000.0020	43000	232.84
27	55500.0000	555000	411.43
	Total		\$7,866.30

CARRIED

9. **NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS – cont'd**

2. 2025 Tax Sale
a) Designate Tax Sale Year

291-2024

Gislason / Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council designate the year 2023 for Tax Sale purposes, which specifies that any taxes in arrears for 2023 and earlier may be sold at a Public Auction in 2025. **CARRIED**

- b) Date for 2025 Tax Sale

292-2024

Johnston / Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg **Tax Sale Auction** date be set for **November 12th, 2025** at **1:00 p.m.** **CARRIED**

3. December 25th, 2024 Council Meeting

293-2024

Rogowsky / Thorsteinson

WHEREAS the next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Christmas Day;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Council Meeting set for December 25th, 2024 be cancelled. **CARRIED**

4. Creative Cocoon Lease Agreement

294-2024

Gislason / Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg enter into a Lease Agreement for rental of the Training Centre;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign on behalf of the Town of Arborg. **CARRIED**

5. Snow Removal Agreement

295-2024

Thorsteinson / Rogowsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg enter into the Snow Removal Agreement with the Province of Manitoba;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign on behalf of the Town of Arborg. **CARRIED**

6. Development Agreement Amendment

296-2024

Johnston / Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg enter into an Amended Development Agreement with Kevin and Karlene Petkau;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign on behalf of the Town of Arborg. **CARRIED**

10. **CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Mel Marginet, Sustainable Transportation Coordinator ~ Green Action Centre
* GoManitoba Platform *Received as Information*
2. James Bezan, MP ~ Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman
* Canada Summer Jobs *Received as Information*
3. Municipal & Northern Relations
* Change in Assessment Classification *Received as Information*
4. Stan Loewen, Arborg Home Building Centre
* Request *Received as Information*

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

1. Kellie Yellowega, Program Co-Ordinator
 Re: F.Y.R.S.T. / Re-Start Program
Discussion: Will help advocate for the program with the government.

12. IN CAMERA

297-2024 Johnston / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 152(3)(b)(ii), Council, do hereby close the meeting to the public and move in-camera. **CARRIED**

298-2024 Gislason / Thorsteinson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby conclude in-camera discussions and resume into Regular Meeting. **CARRIED**

1. Personnel Matters

299-2024 Thorsteinson / Gislason
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Justin Hoplock be hired as a full-time operations manager;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 6-month probation for benefits be waived. **CARRIED**

2. By-law No. 9-2024
 Employee Salaries for 2025

300-2024 Rogowsky / Gislason
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 9-2024, a By-law of the Town of Arborg to Set Annual Salaries for Employees and to Establish Hourly Rates for Casual Labour in 2025, be read a second time. **CARRIED**

301-2024 Thorsteinson / Johnston
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Councillor Donna Gislason	✓		
Councillor Rob Thorsteinson	✓		
Councillor Ron Rogowsky	✓		

CARRIED


3. By-law No. 10-2024
 Council Indemnities for 2025
Discussion: Council has decided not to proceed with By-law No. 10-2024.

13. ADJOURNMENT – 11:57 A.M.

302-2024 Gislason / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn to meet again in Arborg on January 8th, 2025. **CARRIED**



 Ron Johnston
 Deputy Mayor



 Cindy Stansell
 Chief Administrative Officer