Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

December 18, 2023 – 7:00 pm

Village of Duchess Council Chambers

Councillors present: Mayor Tony Steidel

Deputy Mayor Deborah Reid-Mickler

Councillor Stephen Dortch Councillor Shanda Smith

Regrets: Councillor Preston

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO, Kent Torkelson PW, Paula Dame Admin

Mayor Steidel called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

Motions

159-23 <u>Deputy Mayor Reid Mickler motioned to approve the minutes of the November 20th, 2023 Regular Council meeting.</u>

Carried Unanimously

Village of Duchess

160-23 <u>Councilor Dortch</u> motioned to approve the agenda as amended with the following additions:

8f. Interim Budget

13 f. McIver Letter

13 g. RCMP Report

13 h. Zebra Mussels Info

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Steidel motioned to approve to keep one summer student and increase his wage up to \$20.00 per hour and add him to benefits.

Carried Unanimously

162-23 <u>Deputy Mayor Reid Mickler motioned to approve to go ahead with repairing and pouring new concrete at the Water Treatment Plant.</u>

Carried Unanimously

163-23 Councillor Smith motioned to approve Councillor Dortch, Deputy Mayor Reid Mickler, and Mayor Steidel to form a CAO committee and will set up a date in January.

Carried Unanimously

164-23 Mayor Steidel motioned to approve to the application for funding to look into the service levels and cost for a regional policing model vs the RCMP. Carried Unanimously 165-23 Councillor Dortch motioned to approve the Newell Regional Landfill to represent us with the ARMA. **Carried Unanimously** Deputy Mayor Reid Mickler motions to accept and use the 2023 budget as the 166-23 interim budget for 2024. **Carried Unanimously** Councillor Smith motioned to accept the consent agenda items as presented. 167-23 **Carried Unanimously** Mayor Tony Steidel **CAO Yvonne Cosh** Adjournment 8:50 pm **Important Dates Duchess Council Meeting** January 15, 2024 @ 7 pm Committer of the Whole January 30th, 2024 @ 7 pm