

**FIRST MEETING OF THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MOOSOMIN, HELD IN THE TOWN OFFICE BASEMENT COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 701 MAIN STREET, ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2020.**

**PRESENT:**

<b>Mayor</b>	<b>- Larry Tomlinson</b>
<b>Councillors</b>	<b>- Chris Davidson</b>
	<b>- Kyla Fingas</b>
	<b>- Ron Fisk</b>
	<b>- Murray Gray</b>
	<b>- Greg Nosterud</b>
	<b>- Garry Towler</b>
<b>Youth Member</b>	<b>- Victor Santos Jr.</b>
<b>Chief Administrative Officer</b>	<b>- Paul Listrom</b>

**Call to Order** Mayor Larry Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed the newly elected Council, and Youth Member Victor Santos Jr.

**Returning Officer's Declaration of Results #1** DAVIDSON & GRAY – That the “Returning Officers Declaration of Results” of the November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, general election, be accepted as listed below, and as so attached and forming part of these minutes:

**MAYOR:**

- Larry Tomlinson	356 Votes/ELECTED
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- Adrian Nosterud	55 Votes

**COUNCILLOR(S):**

- Chris Davidson	ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION
- Kyla Fingas	ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION
- Ron Fisk	ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION
- Murray Gray	ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION
- Greg Nosterud	ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION
- Garry Towler	ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION
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411 people voted for Mayor at the general election on Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, out of approximately 2,600 voters, which results in a 15.81% voter turnout.

Above persons noted as being elected, are in office for a period of four years, until the next general election in the fall of 2024.

Carried.

**Oath of Office** Each elected person took their “Oath or Affirmation” and are thereby declared as members of the Council of the Town of Moosomin, and said documents are attached hereto and forming part of these minutes.

**Appointments and Deputy Mayor Listing #2** TOWLER & NOSTERUD – That Council adopt the list of Appointments and Deputy Mayors Listing, for the terms and appointments as specified, as attached hereto and forming part of these minutes.

Carried.

**Minutes #3** DAVIDSON & TOWLER – That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020, be approved as circulated.

Carried.

**Canadian History EHX #4** NOSTERUD & FISK – That further to the August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020, email from Craig Baird from Canadian History EHX, whereby he offers to create a 15 minute podcast of the community available online to the general public, for a fee of \$250.00 plus taxes, be approved by Council.

Carried.

**Reduced Rates due to COVID-19 #5** DAVIDSON & GRAY – That due to COVID-19, the Government of Saskatchewan has effective Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, restricted the amount of players that may be on the ice at the arena to a maximum of 8, and as a team normally has approximately 16 players, that the Town of Moosomin recognize this and reduce the fees being charged by 50% until such time as these restrictions are removed.

Carried.

  
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- Randi Thorn #6 NOSTERUD & TOWLER – That Randi Thorn be contracted for the sum of \$1,500.00 to perform duties of “*Service Champion*” under South East District for Sport, Culture, and Recreation, to compile a facility inventory listing, etc.  
Carried.
- Recreation Report #7 NOSTERUD & TOWLER – That the Recreation report be accepted as presented by Recreation Director, Mike Schwean.  
Carried.
- Foreman Report #8 DAVIDSON & TOWLER – That the Public Works Foreman written report, be accepted as submitted by Public Works Foreman – Danny Grainger.  
Carried.
- Exchange Pit-Run for Top-Soil #9 TOWLER & NOSTERUD – That Council authorize the Mayor and Foreman to negotiate a deal with Mark McCorriston, to exchange pit-run from Town owned gravel pit, for approximately 2267.3 yd<sup>3</sup> of top-soil.  
Carried.
- Heaters in Main Shop and Bee House #10 Councillor Greg Nosterud declared a conflict of interest in the next item of business, as his nephew owns Devo’s Plumbing and Heating Ltd., and left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.
- DAVIDSON & TOWLER – That Council accept the lowest quotation as provided from Devo’s Plumbing and Heating Ltd. for supply and installation of radiant tube heaters per quotations as follows:
- Devo’s Plumbing & Heating Ltd.:**
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|------------|--------------------|------------|
| Main Shop: | \$14,075.62        | plus taxes |
| Bee House: | \$ 4,203.57        | plus taxes |
|            | <u>\$18,279.19</u> | plus taxes |
- Skulmoski Plumbing & Heating Ltd.:**
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| Main Shop: | \$16,453.00        | plus taxes |
| Bee House: | \$ 6,989.70        | plus taxes |
|            | <u>\$23,442.70</u> | plus taxes |
- Carried.
- Councillor Greg Nosterud returned to his chair at 7:47 p.m.
- Financial Reports #11 NOSTERUD & GRAY – That the Statement of Receipts and Payments, and the Bank Reconciliation for the month of October 2020, be accepted as presented.  
Carried.
- Correspondence #12 TOWLER & DAVIDSON – That the following correspondence having been presented to Council, now be filed:  
Saskatchewan Housing Corporation  
re: 2019 Settlement Municipal Share in amount of \$8,038.72  
Southeast Regional Library  
re: Annual Report 2019  
re: Proposed budget for the year ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021  
Kevin Zazula (Property owner of 806 and 808 Broadway Ave.)  
re: Request Town to provide an approval to replace sidewalk in front of his property, and estimated start date  
R.C.M.P. – S.Sgt. Ryan Frost – District Commander, Combined Traffic Services Saskatchewan  
re: Quarterly update  
Transport Canada  
re: Elevator and Bank of Nova Scotia entrances off Main Street too close to CPR crossing and must be closed off by November 2021  
Saskatchewan Ministry of Parks, Culture, and Sport  
re: Heritage Workshops  
Duane and Heather Riffel, and Audrey McEwen  
re: Branches falling off of trees at 602 Mountain Street and 604 Mountain Street  
CP Rail  
re: CP Holiday Train Update  
Municipalities of Saskatchewan  
re: Elected Officials Handbook  
re: VIRTUAL regional meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020  
Saskatchewan Environment  
re: Remote Landfill Inspection of June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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Mayor

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Correspondence  
(Continued)  
#12

Moosomin Library Board  
re: Minutes of meeting of September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
Southeast Regional Library  
re: Notice that fees not changing for upcoming year, and invoice of \$40,113.60 for 2021  
Ministry of Government Relations – Minister Don McMorris  
re: November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020, letter to all newly elected and re-elected members of Council  
SARM (Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities)  
re: SUMA (Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association) name change to  
MOS (Municipalities of Saskatchewan)  
M.O.T.O.H (Moosomin Organization for Transportation of Handicapped)  
re: Minutes of October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020, and Financial Report for November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
Carried.

Sidewalk  
in 2021  
#13

NOSTERUD & GRAY – That in response to the October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, e-mail from Kevin Zazula who owns the property at 806 and 808 Broadway Avenue, whereby he requests that the Town replace the existing sidewalk with a new concrete sidewalk in front of his properties, that the Council now agree to proceed to have said project completed during the 2021 season.

Carried.

Transport  
Canada  
Re: Main St.  
CPR Crossing  
#14

DAVIDSON & NOSTERUD – That Council acknowledge the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020, e-mail from Transport Canada, whereby they advise that both the elevator and bank entrances/exists are within 30 metres of the CPR crossing at Main Street, and that these entrances/exist will be non-compliant in November 2021, that the Town advise Transport Canada that the municipality will work with the affected property owners to have these access points closed-off, not later than November 2021.

Carried.

Bill Thorn attended the meeting from 8:15 p.m. to 8:22 p.m. Purpose of his attendance was to suggest the idea of some sort of community recognition for Sinclair Harrison, such as potentially re-naming a street, and suggested the re-naming of Wright Road due to his involvement in the establishment of the new South East Integrated Care Centre, which opened in 2008. Council acknowledged Sinclair Harrison's involvement throughout the community over many years, and indicated they would certainly take this suggestion under consideration. Mr. Thorn then thanked Council for considering this request, and left the Council meeting.

Municipalities  
of Sask. (SUMA)  
Convention  
Voting  
Delegates  
#15

NOSTERUD & GRAY – That the following members of Council be appointed as the Town of Moosomin voting representatives to the **2021** Municipalities of Saskatchewan (formerly SUMA) **VIRTUAL** Convention due to COVID-19, from Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, to Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021:  
- Councillors: Ron Fisk, Kyla Fingas, Murray Gray, and Greg Nosterud

Carried.

Establish  
Meeting Date  
in Dec. 2020  
and authorize  
payments  
and establish  
Jan. 2021 mtg.  
#16

DAVIDSON & TOWLER – That Council establish Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. as the only regular meeting for December, and that in order to reduce payables at year end, that the C.A.O. or Finance Officer/Acting C.A.O., and Mayor or Deputy Mayor be authorized to pay all accounts from the date of that last meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020, till December 31, 2020, as well as authorize payments as required for all contracted services from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, until January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and that the meeting in January 2021, be set for January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Carried.

Councillor Garry Towler declared a conflict of interest in the next item of business, as he is owner of Towler Construction Ltd., and left the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Town Tree  
Damage to  
Audrey  
McEwen  
#17

NOSTERUD & GRAY – That due to the freezing ice storm of November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020, in which a tree that was previously identified as a "hazard tree", (potential of causing damage to property), fell onto Audrey McEwen's house at 604 Mountain Street, that the Town cover related costs to repair as per quotation submitted by Towler Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$2,570.49 plus taxes, and that the Public Works Department now trim or remove trees as required on this property, and any other property that has been identified as having hazard trees.

Carried.

Councillor Garry Towler returned to his chair at 8:45 p.m.

  
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Councillor Garry Towler declared a conflict of interest in the payment of accounts, as he is the owner of Garry E. Backlin Monuments Ltd. and Towler Construction Ltd., and left the Council meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Councillor Greg Nosterud declared a conflict of interest in the payment of accounts, as he is owner of Lee's Carpet Warehouse, and left the Council meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Councillor Ron Fisk declared a conflict of interest in the payment of accounts, as his son-in-law is owner of Superior Ag Auto, and left the Council meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Accounts  
#18

GRAY & DAVIDSON – That the following list of accounts attached hereto and forming part of these minutes, be approved for payment, or as paid:

General Account Cheques: #43353 Garry E. Backlin Monuments Ltd.  
#43391 Lee's Carpet Warehouse  
#43427 Superior Ag Auto  
#43450 Towler Construction Ltd.

Carried.

Councillors Garry Towler, Greg Nosterud, and Ron Fisk returned to their chairs at 9:10 p.m.

Contribute  
to Xmas  
Lights  
#19

FISK & DAVIDSON – That Council agree that the Town contribute \$400.00 towards the purchase of Christmas lights to decorate a Fire Dept. truck, to be used in the Santa Clause parade planned for December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Carried.

Accounts  
#20

DAVIDSON & TOWLER – That the following list of accounts attached hereto and forming part of these minutes, be approved for payment, or as paid:

General Account Cheques: #43340 to #43458  
*(excluding cheques #43353, #43391, #43427, and #43450 previously approved earlier in the meeting)*  
Wage Account Cheques #5526 to #5571

Carried.

Adjourn  
#21

GRAY & DAVIDSON – That this meeting now be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Carried.

  
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**Mayor**  
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**Chief Administrative Officer**