

**MINUTES
TOWN OF MILESTONE**

**Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday January 14th 2025
Municipal Council Chambers – 105 Main St Milestone**

- Present The Mayor, Jeff Brown, called the meeting to order with the following councilors present:
- Shannon Garratt
Rena Ohrt
Mike Sjodin
Admin Stephen Schury, Leah Ward
- Absent Mike Gallais, Greg Treleaven, Jamey Wolfe
- Minutes 1-25 **Sjodin-Garratt:** That the minutes of the last regular council meeting held on the 12th of December 2024 be approved as distributed and presented.

CARRIED
- Business Arising Admin advised council Public Works reviews and wage updates as conducted by Admin Staff.

Discussed the Prairie Valley School Division busses and parking in residential areas. Admin has initial discussion with Prairie Valley Division office.
- Unfinished Business Council discussed the Town of Milestone Logo. Councillor Ohrt will discuss with A Thomas and Shear Perfection to discuss possible logo designs.

Council inquired about the status of the Masons Hall transfer. Admin to discuss with K. Anderson about the transfer.
- List of Accounts 2-25 **Sjodin-Ohrt:** That the accounts as listed on Schedule “A” from check #7880 to #7919 and E Payments #134 – 139 in the amount of \$151,848.68 as annexed hereto and forming part of these minutes be approved for payment.

CARRIED
- Stat’t. Rec./Pay’ts. 3-25. **Sjodin-Ohrt:** That the interim statement showing cash receipts and disbursements for the month of December 2024 be accepted as presented.
Tax Coll To Dec 31, 2024 – 94%; 2023 – 93%; 2022 - 90%; 2021 - 94%; 2020 - 92%; '19 - 90%; 2018 – 88%; 2017 - 89%; (Current Only)

CARRIED
- Council Indemnity 4-25 **Garratt-Ohrt:** That the council indemnities for 2025 be set at:
Mayor.....\$100.00/diem for Regular, Special, Committee and Convention
Councilors.....\$80.00/diem for Regular, Special, Committee and Convention
Furthermore be it resolved that mileage be set at \$0.57/km.

CARRIED
- Regular Meetings 5-25 **Ohrt -Garratt:** That the 2025 regular meetings of council be held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30PM in the municipal council chambers.

CARRIED
- Deputy Mayors 6-25 **Garratt-Ohrt:** That the deputy mayors for 2025 be appointed as follows:
January and February.....Councilor, Mike Sjodin
March and April.....Councilor, Greg Treleaven
May and June.....Councilor, Mike Gallais
July and August.....Councilor, Rena Ohrt
September and October.....Councilor, Jamey Wolfe
November and December.....Councilor, Shannon Garratt
further, that the deputy mayors during their respective terms of office, in addition to the mayor and or the Deputy-Mayor and administrator and/or the assistant administrator have signing authority for the town.

CARRIED
- List of Appointments 7-25 **Sjodin-Garratt:** That the 2025 list of appointments and custom work rates as attached hereto and forming part of these minutes be hereby approved.

CARRIED
- Water Analysis 8-25 **Sjodin-Garratt:** That the weekly water chemical analysis as listed in the accounts and presented in Dropbox be hereby acknowledged as received noting all report no organisms detectable.

CARRIED
- Bank Recs 9-25 **Sjodin-Garratt:** That the council acknowledge presentation of the Bank recs for December 2024 as presented and circulated for review.

CARRIED

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Payroll Journals	10-25	<u>Garratt-Sjodin:</u> That council acknowledge receipt of the December payroll journals as presented and circulated for review. CARRIED
Sask Environment	11-25	<u>Garratt-Ohrt:</u> That council acknowledge the Sask Government Ministry of Environment Amendment of Landfill Operations Permit No PO20-208 dated Dec 18, 2024 for the Town of Milestone Landfill located at NE 10-12-19 W2, noting the changes in the monitoring requirements. CARRIED
Sask Energy	12-25	<u>Ohrt-Sjodin:</u> that council acknowledge the Sask Energy Offer of Service WR#376247 dated Dec 20, 2024 for lowering the SaskEnergy line and THAT Admin staff contact SaskEnergy and to identify the issues with drainage in the Town of Milestone and possible changes to pricing. CARRIED
Milestone Library	13-25	<u>Garratt-Sjodin:</u> That the administrator update the Southeast Regional library Milestone Branch hours or operation for 2025 for essential service. CARRIED
SUMA Volunteer F.F. Ins.	14-25	<u>Ohrt-Garratt:</u> That the Volunteer Fire Fighters Insurance with SUMA for the period March 1, 2025 to February 28, 2026 and the premium be paid. CARRIED
WCB Rates	16-24	<u>Sjodin Garratt:</u> That the Town acknowledge the 2025 Premium rates noting that the council coverage of \$40,382 per councillor. CARRIED
Utility Accts	17-25	<u>Sjodin Garratt:</u> That council acknowledge the adjustments to the following dormant utility Accounts: * Account 334000 and 251001 CARRIED
Snow Removal	18-25	<u>Ohrt-Garratt:</u> That council acknowledge the snow removal complaint regarding snow removal along Park Ave and note that current snow removal adheres to our snow removal plan. CARRIED
		Council reviewed a Cell Phone Allowance Policy as presented by the Administrator. Council requested that the Administrator review the policy with Public Works staff to determine the appetite for the policy and review again at the February meeting.
PW List	19-25	<u>Ohrt-Sjodin:</u> That the PW list for January 2025 as prepared by the Public Works Foreman be acknowledged as received noting that the one addition to the list: • Clear around Town hydrants to assist Fire Dept to ensure accessibility CARRIED
PW Vacation	20-25	<u>Garratt-Ohrt:</u> That the following vacation request be approved for the dates as submitted: Ron Stettner Jan 8, 9, 27-30, 2025 CARRIED
Inspection Sheets	21-25	<u>Ohrt-Garratt:</u> That council acknowledge the 2024 equipment inspections reports and walk around sheets as prepared by the Town of Milestone Public Works staff and circulated for review. CARRIES
PVSD Strat Plan	22-25	<u>Sjodin-Ohrt:</u> That the RM of Caledonia No 99 acknowledge the Prairie Valley School Division Strategic Plan for 2024-25. CARRIED
Admin Vacation	23-25	<u>Ohrt-Garratt:</u> That the council approve the following vacation dates for administration staff: Stephen Schury (approval for 2024 Vacation Dates – Split 50/50 w/ Town of Milestone) Feb 16; May 10 (.5) & 24 (0.5) ; June 14 & 21; July 15 – 26; August 6 -23; Sept 13, 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 24, 25, 28; Nov 1, 8, 15, 21, 22, 29 & Dec 6, 13, 18-20, 23, 24, 27, 2024, (50 days) CARRIED

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Other Discussion

Discussed future dates for Council Open House for residents of Milestone. Will discuss further at future meeting.

Mayor Brown advised the Frasier Tolmie, MP for Moose Jaw-Lake Centre-Lanigan and his attention to attend a council meeting in the future.

Correspondence


The miscellaneous correspondence listed on the agenda was presented to council for their review and the same was filed for reference. A number of periodicals, newsletters, etc. were placed on the council table for council perusal.

Adjourn

24-25 **Ohrt-Garratt:** That we do now adjourn.



Mayor



Administrator

Meeting Commenced at 7:30 PM

Adjourned at 8:45 PM

NOTE: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11th 2025 at 7:30 PM