

PROTECTIVE SERVICES & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

MEETING – December 9, 2024

PRESENT: Chairman Greg Carlson, Councillors Jadwiga Dolega-Cieszkowski, Janet Coffey-Olson, Kimiko Otterspool, Superintendent Bob Bors, Bylaw Officer Dennis Ogg and CAO Darcy Olson.

ABSENT: Mayor Trevor Hay and Councillor Joseph Spratt.

1. Called to Order:

Chairman Carlson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Bio-Char Facility:

Christy Skelton and Bobby Taylor met with Committee to discuss the Bio-Char project. The project is at a stand still until a proper location can be ascertained. Ms. Skelton has requested that the Town lease two of the lots in the Industrial Park to her for the project. For the lease of the lots the Town maybe eligible for an infrastructure grant from PrairiesCan Federal Program. Committee requested more information from Ms. Skelton on the project and funding.

3. In-Camera: none

4. Conflict of Interest: none

5. Minutes:

Protective Services and Public Works October 15, 2024 Minutes were reviewed by the Committee.

6. Financial Statement:

The Committee reviewed the November 2024 Department Financial Statements. Councillor Otterspool requested that the financial statement include a variance column. CAO indicated that this should not be a problem and it will be corrected for future statements.

7. Management Reports:

Public Works Report for November 2024 was discussed. Superintendent reported on the sewer camera operation on King Street. King Street sewer is in poor condition and should be targeted towards a lining in early spring of 2025.

Water Treatment Plant Reports for November 2024 were reviewed.

Fire Department Report for November 2024 was reviewed by the Committee. The Fire Department has responded to 89 calls for the year December 1, 2023 to November 30, 2024.

Bylaw Officer's Report for November 2024 was reviewed by the Committee.

8. Boulevard Trees - 123 Jubilee Crescent

While the Town's arborist was doing work in Rosetown he supplied a quote for the removal of the 9 boulevard trees adjacent to 123 Jubilee Crescent that had been poisoned. Due to the potential liability and the time frame the arborists were available, the decision was made to proceed with their removal. The cost of the removal was \$5,720.00 plus \$343.20 in PST for a total of \$6,063.20. This price was at a significant saving as the arborist did the work while they were already located in Rosetown and the Town crew helped with the removal of the cut trees. The homeowner was given permission to remove these trees for landscaping purposes on condition that the homeowner remove the trees, and that trees (as recommended by the arborist) are planted in their stead, all at

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the homeowner's expense. After poisoning the trees, the homeowner made it known that he was not going to pay for the tree removal and felt the Town should be responsible for this cost.

P-24-013 Recommendation: That an invoice be sent to the homeowners of 123 Jubilee Crescent for the full amount of the expenses the Town incurred for the removal of the boulevard trees which had been poisoned at this location.

9. Adjournment: Councillor Coffey-Olson adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm

Greg Carlson, Acting Chairman

Darcy Olson, CAO