



Swift Current, Sask.
January 11, 2021

Via ZOOM Video Conferencing, a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Swift Current was held on January 11, 2021 commencing at 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Mayor A. Bridal
Councillor T. Christiansen
Councillor P. Friesen
Councillor R. Plewis
Councillor R. Switzer
Councillor L. Tuntland-Wiebe
Councillor J. Wall

Tim Marcus, Chief Administrative Officer
Kari Cobler, General Manager of Corporate Services
Mitch Minken, General Manager of Infrastructure & Operations
Jim Jones, General Manager of Community Services
Marty Salberg, General Manager of Planning & Growth Development
Jackie Schlamp, City Clerk
Michael Boutilier, Communications & Stakeholder Relations Coordinator
Ryan Hunter, Fire Chief
Michael Newell, Parks Manager

Adoption of
Agenda.

No. 1 Moved by Councillor Friesen, Seconded by Councillor Wall:

"THAT the Agenda for the Council meeting of January 11, 2021 be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED.

Adoption of
Minutes.

No. 2 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Switzer:

"THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held December 14, 2020 be approved."

CARRIED.

Proclamations.

Delegations.

Public
Hearings/
Notice
Matters.

Items for
Action.

Councillor Plewis declared a conflict of interest stating that he is part owner of Standard Motors, and this business is listed on the upcoming accounts. Councillor Plewis was placed in the virtual waiting room at 6:33 p.m.

Mayor Bridal declared a conflict of interest stating that he is part owner of Bridal Construction, and this business is listed on upcoming accounts for a disbursement regarding a job awarded prior to him running in the Municipal Election. Mayor Bridal was placed in the virtual waiting room at 6:34 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Tuntland-Wiebe took over chairing the meeting.

Accounts. The General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period December 14 to December 18, 2020 were presented.

No. 3 Moved by Councillor Wall, Seconded by Councillor Switzer:

"THAT the General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period December 14 to December 18, 2020 in the amount of \$2,739,059.28 be approved."

CARRIED.

Mayor Bridal and Councillor Plewis returned to the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Mayor Bridal resumed as Chair of the meeting.

The General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period December 29 to December 31, 2020 were presented.

No. 4 Moved by Councillor Friesen, Seconded by Councillor Tuntland-Wiebe:

"THAT the General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period December 29 to December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$1,208,989.36 be approved."

CARRIED.

Electric- A report regarding Electric Rate Increase – Carbon Charge – January 2021 was presented by the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations.
Rate
Increase –
Carbon Charge.

No. 5 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Christiansen:

“THAT in accordance with Bylaw No. 6 - 1989 the electric rates be adjusted as follows and effective the January 1st, 2021 billing period:

RESIDENTIAL

Rate Code: EL

Applicability: Individually metered residential premises, including apartment buildings except the house/block meter. The monthly service charge is multiplied by the number of residential units in multi-unit residence.

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| Rates: | Monthly Service Charge | \$25.07 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢15.715 |
| | Carbon Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢0.006393 |

Minimum Bill: The monthly service charge \$25.07
The minimum bill is the monthly service charge multiplied by the number of residential units at the residence.

LARGE COMMERCIAL

Rate Code: ELC* – kVA Demand > 75 kVA

Applicability: All non-residential premises with a load greater than 75 kVA to which no other rate classes apply. These services are metered with a kVA demand meter.

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| Rates: | Monthly Service Charge | \$63.73 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) First 16,750 kWh | ¢13.249 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) Balance Over 16,750 kWh | ¢8.505 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) First 50 kVA | \$0.00 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) Balance Over 50 kVA | \$17.160 |
| | Carbon Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢0.006376 |

Minimum Bill: \$1,275.00

MEDIUM COMMERCIAL

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| Rate Code: | EMC* – kVA Demand > 25 to 75 kVA | |
| Applicability: | All non-residential premises with a load greater than 25 kVA and no greater than 75 kVA to which no other rate classes apply. These services are metered with a kVA demand meter. | |
| Rates: | Monthly Service Charge | \$34.25 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) First 14,500 kWh | ¢15.100 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) Balance Over 14,500 kWh | ¢8.004 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) First 50 kVA | \$0.00 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) Balance Over 50 kVA | \$16.663 |
| | Carbon Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢0.006376 |
| Minimum Bill: | | \$216.00 |

SMALL COMMERCIAL

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| Rate Code: | ESC* – kVA Demand < 25 kVA | |
| Applicability: | All non-residential premises with a load no greater than 25 kVA (non-demand metered) to which no other rate classes apply. | |
| Rates: | Monthly Service Charge | \$34.25 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) First 14,500 kWh | ¢15.100 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) Balance Over 14,500 kWh | ¢8.004 |
| | Carbon Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢0.006376 |
| Minimum Bill: | The monthly service charge | \$34.25 |

COMMERCIAL – MUTLI FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

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| Rate Code: | ECMR | |
| Applicability: | House/Block meter “ ONLY ” of multiple residential premises. | |
| Rates: | Monthly Service Charge | \$34.25 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) First 14,500 kWh | ¢15.100 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) Balance Over 14,500 kWh | ¢8.004 |
| | Carbon Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢0.006376 |
| Minimum Bill: | The monthly service charge | \$34.25 |

MUNICIPAL

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| Rate Code: | EMN* & EMU* | |
| Applicability: | Municipal related non-residential premises including all City of Swift Current facilities and other recreation facilities. | |
| Rates: | Monthly Service Charge | \$34.25 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) First 14,500 kWh | ¢15.100 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) Balance Over 14,500 kWh | ¢8.004 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) First 50 kVA | \$0.00 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) Balance Over 50 kVA | \$16.663 |
| | Carbon Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢0.006376 |
| Minimum Bill: | The monthly service charge | \$34.25 |

SCHOOLS & HEALTH FACILITIES

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| Rate Code: | ESCH | |
| Applicability: | Schools and Health related non-residential premises including all government related schools and health care facilities. | |
| Rates: | Monthly Service Charge | \$34.25 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) First 14,500 kWh | ¢15.100 |
| | Energy Charge (¢ per kWh) Balance Over 14,500 kWh | ¢8.004 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) First 50 kVA | \$0.00 |
| | Demand Charge (\$ per kVA) Balance Over 50 kVA | \$16.663 |
| | Carbon Charge (¢ per kWh) | ¢0.006376 |
| Minimum Bill: | The monthly service charge \$34.25.” | |

CARRIED.

SC 57's Baseball Club Agreement. A report regarding the Swift Current 57's Baseball Club Agreement was presented by the General Manager of Community Services.

No. 6 Moved by Councillor Switzer, Seconded by Councillor Tuntland-Wiebe:

“THAT the City of Swift Current enter a new three (3) year Agreement with the Swift Current 57's Baseball Club and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign the said Agreement.”

CARRIED.

2021 & 2022 Cemetery Fees. A report regarding 2021 & 2022 Cemetery Fees was presented by the General Manager of Community Services.

No. 7 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Friesen:

“THAT Council approves the two (2) year cemetery rates (including GST) for the period of February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2023 as follows:

| <u>Lots</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Resident | \$1,474 | \$1,533 |
| Non-Resident | \$2,041 | \$2,123 |
| Child - Resident | \$ 629 | \$ 654 |
| Child – Non-Resident | \$1,023 | \$1,064 |
| Cremation Lot – Resident | \$ 794 | \$ 826 |
| Cremation Lot – Non-Resident | \$1,136 | \$1,181 |
| Single Niche - Premium | \$2,493 | \$2,593 |
| Single Niche – Bottom 2 Rows | \$2,267 | \$2,358 |
| Companion Niche – Premium | \$3,856 | \$4,010 |
| Companion Niche – Bottom 2 Rows | \$3,629 | \$3,774 |
| Interment / Disinterment | | |
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| Adult | | |
| Weekdays | \$1,422 | \$1,479 |
| Sat, Sun, Stat holidays & Weekdays after hrs | \$2,097 | \$2,181 |
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| Child | | |
| Weekdays | \$ 821 | \$ 854 |
| Sat, Sun & Stat Holidays & Weekdays after business hours | \$1,496 | \$1,556 |
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| Cremated Remains | | |
| Weekdays | \$ 833 | \$ 866 |
| Sat, Sun & Stat Holidays & Weekdays after hours | \$1,042 | \$1,084 |
| 2 nd & 3 rd Interment on a Regular Plot | \$1,042 | \$1,084 |
| Columbaria | \$ 221 | \$ 230 |
| Monument Installation Permit | \$ 90 | \$ 95 |
| Administration Fee | \$ 0 | \$ 95.” |

CARRIED.

Remun- A report regarding Remuneration for Council and Meetings Policy was presented
eration by the City Clerk.
for Council
and Meetings.

No. 8 Moved by Councillor Tuntland-Wiebe, Seconded by Councillor Christiansen:

“THAT Council authorizes the amendment to the “Remuneration For Council and Meetings Policy” as follows:

**CITY OF SWIFT CURRENT
POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**

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| REVISION DATE: January 11, 2021 January 19, 2016 January 23, 2012 | ISSUED: April 10, 2007 Res. No. 135 - 2007 | PAGE: 1 of 1 |
| REMUNERATION FOR COUNCIL AND MEETINGS | | |

PURPOSE:

This policy is intended to establish guidelines to provide compensation to Councillors. It also provides for compensation for council and public member board/committee appointments for attendance at meetings being held for the purpose of conducting City business. This policy is not intended to provide compensation for meetings of a political nature, such as but not limited to: ribbon cuttings, facility tours, press conferences, meetings with individual residents/taxpayers, etc.

POLICY:

1. The Mayors salary is to be based on 42% of the step one pay band for the CAO. Councillors' salary is to be based on a calculation of 38% of the Mayor's salary. This basis of remuneration is to be effective January 1st, 2021.
2. The remuneration paid for Mayor and Councillors shall be paid on a bi-weekly basis.
3. A meeting fee of \$50.00 will be paid to all public member appointees for attendance at the boards and committees to which they are appointed by the City of Swift Current.

PROCEDURE:

1. Payment of public member appointees to boards and committees is through submission of Meeting Fee Claim Sheets forwarded to the Office of the City Clerk."

CARRIED.

Reports for
Information.

Bylaws.

Unfinished
Business.

New
Business.

No. 9 Moved by Councillor Christiansen, Seconded by Councillor Switzer:

“THAT the following be received as information and filed:

- Swift Current Branch Library Board Meeting Agenda for December 2, 2020; and Agenda for January 6, 2021.”

CARRIED.

Communi-
cations.

En Camera
Items.

Reports of
Council
Members/
Enquiries.

The following topics was raised by a member of Council:

- Thank you to citizens of Swift Current for supporting community organizations over the Christmas season;
- Thank you to everyone who worked the Salvation Army Kettle Campaign;
- SPCA fundraiser – Pack the Pen;
- Building Permit Statistics for 2020;
- Giving nature of our citizens;
- Thank you to Michael Boutillier, Karla Wiens from the Chamber and Lindsay Gerbrandt for the “Talk Local” series;
- The Centre fundraiser – “Coldest night of the Year” to be held in February;
- Swift Current Library Board meeting;
- Swift Current Regional Library Board meeting coming up on January 25th;
- Upcoming Drug Strategy Action Plan meeting;
- Festival of Mini Trees at the Museum and visits from the Grinch;
- Swift Current Tourism;
- Upcoming Truth & Reconciliation meeting;
- Reminder to renew pet licenses;
- Thank you for shopping local during Christmas season, please continue to do so;

- Budget meetings are scheduled for next month;
- Swift Current Broncos;
- “Libby App” available through our local Library; and
- Thank you to our community for believing in Council, as we continue to learn.

Adjourn-
ment.

No. 10 Moved by Councillor Switzer, Seconded by Councillor Wall:

(7:47 p.m.) “THAT we do now adjourn.”

CARRIED.

Mayor

City Clerk

The within AMENDED Meeting Minutes were approved by Council on this 3rd day of May, 2021.

Mayor

City Clerk