Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501, held at Council Chambers located at PT SW 11-53-24 W3 on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

# **COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Reeve Tom S. Hougham
Division 1 Leonard Larre
Division 3 Owen Fischer

Division 4 Ronald Gory @ 1:04 p.m. via electronic means

Division 5 Gay Noeth Division 6 Evan Priest

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Division 2

Carri Zeller

**STAFF PRESENT:** 

Crystal Schaan, Acting Administrator Vanessa Nasby, Administrative Assistant Aaron Neilly, Infrastructure Manager @ 10:00 a.m.

#### **CALLED TO ORDER:**

9:00 a.m.

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Reeve Hougham.

### 1-1 MARCH 6, 2024 AGENDA:

2024-03-06-001

PRIEST: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves the March 6, 2024 Agenda to be used as a guideline.

Carried

## 2-1 FEBRUARY 28, 2024 MINUTES:

2024-03-06-002

FISCHER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves the February 28, 2024 minutes as presented.

Carried

#### 4-1 FEBRUARY 2024 BANK RECONCILIATION:

2024-03-06-003

LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council acknowledges the February 2024 month end Bank Reconciliation balances as follows:

**Chequing Account Operating** \$ 10,572,115.11 St. Walburg Health Account \$ 2,353.81 **Turtleford Health Account** \$ 8,148.52 Online Banking Account \$ 12,934.43 Term Deposits (5.2% Expiring 31-Dec-25) 596,423.93 Total Cash in Bank as of February 29, 2024 \$ 11,191,975.80 Petty Cash 200.00 Total Cash and Short-Term Investments \$ 11,192,175,80

Carried

# 4-2 FEBRUARY 2024 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - DETAILED:

2024-03-06-004

NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council acknowledges the February 29, 2024 month end Statement of Financial Activities – Detailed, which is attached to and forms part of these minutes as Appendix B.

Carried

### **5-1 COUNCIL REMUNERATION:**

2024-03-06-005

PRIEST: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves the electronic payment of February 2024 Council Remuneration for the following amounts less deductions on March 15, 2024:

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Reeve Hougham	\$1,111.60
<ul> <li>Councillor Larre</li> </ul>	\$855.70
Councillor Zeller	\$519.00
Councillor Fischer	\$1,066.80
Councillor Gory	\$491.30
Councillor Noeth	\$1,021.10
Councillor Priest	\$681.20

Carried

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9:13 a.m.

Councillor Fischer left Council Chambers due to a conflict in the next

Agenda item.

5-2 ACCOUNTS - MARCH 6, 2024:

2024-03-06-006

LARRE:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves

the following payment dated March 6, 2024.

32188

Owen and Melanie Fischer

\$141.75 **Totaling** 

Carried

9:15 a.m.

Councillor Fischer entered Council Chambers.

5-2 ACCOUNTS - MARCH 6, 2024:

2024-03-06-007

FISCHER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves the following payments dated March 6, 2024.

32181 to 32187

32189 to 32197

**Totaling** \$35,952.06

Carried

9:35 a.m.

Vanessa Nasby left Council Chambers.

**IN-CAMERA:** 

2024-03-06-008

9:35 a.m.

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council moves FISCHER: in-camera to discuss legal as authorized by the legislative authority of The Municipalities Act Section 120 including the exemptions in Part III of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried

**OUT-OF-CAMERA:** 

2024-03-06-009

9:59 a.m.

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council rises NOETH:

from the in-camera discussion.

Carried

10:00 a.m.

Vanessa Nasby entered Council Chambers.

10:00 a.m. 10:23 a.m.

Aaron Neilly entered Council Chambers to discuss Public Works Report.

Aaron Neilly left Council Chambers.

**RECESS MEETING:** 

2024-03-06-010

NOFTH:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council recess

10:23 a.m.

for a 10 minute break.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

10:38 a.m.

The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

**8-1 SAMA ANNUAL MEETING ATTENDEES:** 

2024-03-06-011

PRIEST: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council

approves 2 staff members to attend the SAMA Annual Meeting, Prairieland Park, Saskatoon, SK April 9 and 10, 2024 in Saskatoon.

Carried

8-1 SARM ANNUAL CONVENTION:

2023-03-06-012

FISCHER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 approves 4 councillors and 2 staff members to attend the SARM Annual Convention, Queensbury Convention Centre in REAL district, Regina, SK from March 13 to March 15, 2023.

Carried

6-1 STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2024-03-06-013

PRIEST:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council

acknowledges written and verbal reports by Acting Administrator, Crystal

Schaan and Infrastructure Manager, Aaron Neilly.

Carried

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13-2 HAMLET MONTHLY WATER REPORT:

2024-03-06-014

FISCHER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council acknowledges the presentation of the Hamlet of Frenchman Butte Water Treatment Plant Monthly Report for February 2024 and instructs Administration to place a copy of the report on file for future reference.

Carried

13-3 TAX ENFORCEMENT:

2024-03-06-015

LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council authorize proceedings to request title on the following properties in accordance with Section 22 of The Tax Enforcement Act.:

Roll # 2884 000 Lot 7 Blk/Par 7 Plan 65B02316 Ext 0 Title 134025083

Carried

**RECESS MEETING:** 

2024-03-06-016

PRIEST:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council recess

12:00 p.m. for a 60 minute break.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

1:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

1:04 p.m.

Councillor Gory joined Council Chambers via electronic means.

1:05 p.m.

Vanessa Nasby and Crystal Schaan left Council Chambers.

IN-CAMERA:

2024-03-06-017

1:05 p.m.

PRIEST: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council moves in-camera to discuss human resources as authorized by the legislative authority of *The Municipalities Act* Section 120 including the exemptions in

Part III of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of

Privacy Act.

Carried

**OUT-OF-CAMERA:** 

2024-03-06-018

3:25 p.m.

NOETH:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council rises

from the in-camera discussion.

Carried

3:25 p.m.

Councillor Gory disconnect and left Council Chambers.

3:25 p.m.

Vanessa Nasby and Crystal Schaan entered Council Chambers.

14-1 CORRESPONDENCE - MARCH 6, 2024:

2024-03-06-019

LARRE:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council accepts

the March 6, 2024 correspondence as information to be filed as presented

to Council, outlined in Appendix A.

Carried

15-1 ADJOURNMENT:

2024-03-06-020

FISCHER:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council

adjourns this Regular Meeting of Council at 3:37 p.m.

Carried

Acting Administrator