

**Village of Holden - Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council  
held in the Administration Office on Monday, January 15, 2024**

**Council Present**

Mayor Tyler Beckett, Chair  
Deputy Mayor Milt MacGregor  
Councillor John Markel

**Administration Present**

CAO Rosemary Offrey

**Regrets**

Councillor Shawn Cole

**Public in Attendance**

Virtual and 1 in person.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Tyler Beckett called the meeting to order at 6:09 pm.

**2. Agenda**

**#1-1-24**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that the agenda be accepted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**3. Minutes**

**#2-1-24**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that the minutes of the December 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Delegations**

Jason Oostenbrink – D.A.D Sales – Account Manager – Presentation on Flo Electric Vehicle Charging Station Equipment.

**#3-1-24**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that the Council accept the Flo Electric Vehicle Charging Station Equipment presentation as information.

**CARRIED**

**5. Public Works**

**6. Financial**

a) Cheque Listing

**#4-1-24**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that the cheque listing in the amount of \$71,928.75 numbered 20220541 to 20240020 be approved.

**CARRIED**

b) Cash Statement

**#5-1-24**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that the Monthly Cash Statement be received as information.

**CARRIED**

**7. Unfinished Business**

**8. Business from Delegations**

**9. New Business**

a) Minister of Environment – Potential Drought in 2024

**#6-1-24**

**#7-1-24**

b) Nichols Environmental - Ground Water Monitoring 2023 Report

**#8-1-24**

c) BESC 2024 Approved Operational Budget

**#9-1-24**

d) Green Light – Volunteer Fire Dept – Personal Use Vehicles

**#10-1-24**

e) Village Website Discussion

**#11-1-24**

f) Potential Free Salt/Sand – Residents for Sidewalk Safety

**#12-1-24**

No business from delegation was necessary.

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that Council direct Holden’s Highway 14 Regional Water Representative to discuss this issue at the Commission and impress upon the Commission the need to devise a reasonable Drought Plan that is shared with the region’s municipalities.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that Council direct Administration to communicate with the residents to impress upon them the need to conserve water during the next year due to the impending drought situation.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that Council continue with the Ground Water Monitoring with Nichols Environmental for 2024.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that Council accepts the Beaver Emergency Services Commission 2024 Operational Budgets for information.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that Council direct Administration to create the Green Light Bylaw – Volunteer Personal Vehicle Usage for Emergency purposes only within the Village boundaries.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that Council accept the Village Website discussion for information.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that Council approve Administration to provide free salt/sand to Holden residents only for the safety maintenance of the local sidewalks.

**CARRIED**

*g. Village Logo - New*  
**#13-1-24**

**9. Councillor Reports**  
**#14-1-24**

**10. CAO Report**  
**#15-1-24**

**11. Correspondence**  
**#16-1-24**

**Break**

**12. Closed Meeting**  
**#17-1-24**

**#18-1-24**

**13. General Discussion**

**14. Adjournment**  
**#19-1-24**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that Council approve the use of "Holden Has Heart", to create a new Logo for the Village.

**CARRIED**

*Councillors provided verbal reports.*

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor to accept Councillors' verbal reports as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor to accept the CAO report as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that the correspondence listed on the agenda be received as information.

**CARRIED**

There was no break during this regular meeting.

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that Council go into closed session at 7:46pm. **CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that Council go out of closed session at 8:11pm.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Councillor Markel that Council approve a vehicle allowance of \$300.00 per month for the Chief Administrative Officer, effective January 2024.

**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor MacGregor that the meeting adjourns at 8:13 pm.

**CARRIED**

  
MAYOR

  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER