

Minutes of the special meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Willow Bunch No. 42 held at the Municipal Office, #16 Edouard Beupre St., Willow Bunch, Saskatchewan on Wednesday, July 19th, 2023.

Present were: Deputy Reeve Denis Lesperance, Administrator Sharleine Eger Assistant, Administrator Tereena Bartlett and the following councillors:

Division 2 – Albert Lavallee
Division 3 – Denis Bellefleur
Division 4 – Scott Kirby
Division 5 – Dale Berner

Regrets: Division 6 – Gilles Bissonnette
Reeve – Patrick Therrien

As per Section 16.1 and 16.2 of the Council Procedures Bylaw 2-2016, Deputy Reeve Denis Lesperance called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

Enter In Camera – “Closed Session”

161/2023 Albert Lavallee:

That council enter in an in-camera session at 7:25p.m. to discuss and review the Investigation Report dated, April 13, 2023 and the submission of the Complainant and the Respondent regarding the 001-21 complaint.

Carried

Enter in Camera – “Closed Session”

162/2023 Albert Lavallee:

That council enter in an in-camera session at 7:25 p.m. discuss and review the Investigation Report dated, May 4th, 2023 and the submission of the Complainant and the Respondent regarding the 002-21 complaint.

Carried

Administrator Eger and Assistant Administrator Bartlett left the room at 7:22 p.m.
Council entered into a closed session at 7:25 p.m.

Exit In Camera – “Closed Session”

163/2023 Denis Bellefleur:

That the minutes reflect council has exited the closed session at 8:10 p.m. and that the Administrator and Assistant Administrator have returned to chambers.

Carried

Review and Acknowledge Report

164/2023 Albert Lavallee:

That Council has reviewed and considered complaint 002-21, along with the Investigation Report dated May 4th, 2023, the entirety of the submissions of the Complainant and the Respondent and has determined the 002-21 complaint is substantiated. Written reasons for the findings of Council will follow and will be provided to the Complainant and the Respondent.

Carried

Remedial Action

165/2023 Albert Lavallee:

That Council has imposed the following remedial actions against the Respondent in relation to 002-21 Complaint:

- a) 90 day suspension from Council and Committees commencing upon the passing of this resolution;
- b) No pay during the 90 day suspension
- c) Training on Council Code of Ethics to be completed within 90 days from the date of this resolution; and
- d) A written, heartfelt and sincere apology to the Complainant to be provided directly to the complainant within 30 days from the date of this resolution.



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Scott Kirby requested a recorded vote:

Denis Lesperance: FOR
Albert Lavallee: FOR
Denis Bellefleur: FOR

Dale Berner: FOR
Scott Kirby: AGAINST

Carried

Review and Acknowledge Report

166/2023 Denis Bellefleur:

That Council has reviewed and considered complaint 001-21, along with the Investigation Report dated April 13th, 2023, the entirety of the submissions of the Complainant and the Respondent and has determined the 001-21 complaint is substantiated. Written reasons for the findings of Council will follow and will be provided to the Complainant and the Respondent.

Carried

Remedial Action

167/2023 Denis Bellefleur:

That Council has imposed the following remedial actions against the Respondent in relation to 001-21 Complaint:

- e) 180-day suspension from Council and Committees commencing from the completion of the 90-day suspension referenced above (which for greater clarity to be served consecutively to the 90-day above);
- f) No pay during the 180-day suspension
- g) A written, heartfelt and sincere apology to the Complainant to be provided directly to the complainant within 30 days from the date of this resolution.

Scott Kirby requested a recorded vote:

Denis Lesperance: FOR
Albert Lavallee: FOR
Denis Bellefleur: FOR

Dale Berner: FOR
Scott Kirby: AGAINST

Carried

Adjournment

168/2023 Dale Berner:

That this meeting adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

Carried

Sharon Kiger
Denis Lesperance

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