

CITY OF STEINBACH
Regular Council Meeting
February 20, 2024

MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of City of Steinbach Council held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at City of Steinbach Council Chambers.

2. Mayor Earl Funk called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with the following members of Council present: Councillors Damian Penner, Jake Hiebert, Susan Penner, Bill Hiebert, Jac Siemens and Michael Zwaagstra. Also present: City Manager, Troy Warkentin, Manager, Corporate Services, Adam Thiessen and City Clerk, Amanda Dubois.

3. Councillor D. Penner opened the meeting.

R24-033 4. Councillor S. Penner, Councillor J. Siemens RESOLVED that the agenda be adopted.

-Un. Carried-

R24-034 5. Councillor J. Hiebert, Councillor D. Penner RESOLVED that the minutes of the February 6, 2024, Regular Council Meeting be approved.

-Un. Carried-

6. Council meeting recessed and Public Hearing was called to order at 7:36 p.m., by Mayor Earl Funk. Public Hearing was to consider Public Reserve Closing By-Law 2235.

By-Law 2235

Owner: The City of Steinbach

Civic Address: Heritage Parkway

Legal: Public Reserve Plan 64165

Purpose of By-Law 2235: To close a portion of the public reserve to allow for the extension of Heritage Parkway.

6.1 Troy Warkentin, City Manager, introduced By-Law 2235, and reported that notices pursuant to The Planning Act had been completed.

6.2 Troy Warkentin, City Manager provided written correspondence had been received from Manitoba Municipal Relations - Community Planning Branch regarding By-Law 2235 voicing no concerns.

7. There being no further discussion Council meeting re-opened at 7:38 p.m.

R24-035 8. Councillor J. Siemens, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach give second reading to public reserve closing By-Law 2235.

-Un. Carried-

R24-036 9. Councillor J. Hiebert, Councillor S. Penner RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach give third reading to public reserve closing By-law 2235.

-Un. Carried-

R24-037 10. Councillor J. Hiebert, Councillor B. Hiebert RESOLVED that the following accounts be approved for payment:

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| Accounts Payable (February 14, 2024) | \$ | 2,118,324.28 |
| Monthly Pay Period No. 02 (February 6, 2024) | \$ | 42,866.89 |
| Bi-weekly Pay Period No. 04 (February 14, 2024) | \$ | 287,935.47 |

-Un. Carried-

R24-038 11. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach give first reading to By-Law 2241, being a rezoning by-law.

-Un. Carried-

12. Delegation: Audrey Harder, Executive Director, Pat Porter Active Living Centre, was present at the meeting to request a letter of support from City Council for its plans to submit a bid to host the Manitoba Society of Seniors (MSOS) 55 Plus Games in 2025.

12.1 Ms. Harder explained that after being approached by Active Aging in Manitoba to place a bid to host the games in 2025, and in speaking with Russ Dyck, Manager, Parks and Recreation, Dan Taillefer, Recreation Services Coordinator and other community stakeholders to determine if there was interest in bidding.

12.2 Ms. Harder has received an overwhelming response. It has been over 12 years since Steinbach last hosted the games, and the Southeast Event Centre will be operational by 2025. It will be an amazing opportunity to showcase Steinbach to people throughout the province.

12.3 Ms. Harder stated that the purpose of the games is to provide a recreation outlet for friendly competition for those who are 55 years of age or older, to provide and promote opportunities and contribute to the education, culture and social activity and general wellbeing of Manitobans 55 and older, as well as engender a sense of community spirit by providing an opportunity and catalyst for bringing older adults, their families and the community at large together to participate in the games.

12.4 The proposed dates for the event are June 3-5, 2025. They have requested to host earlier in June as Summer in the City will be held later in the month.

12.5 Ms. Harder listed the Southeast Event Center, Pat Porter Active Living Center, Steinbach Bowling Alley and Bistro, Aquatic Centre, Fly-In Golf Course and Parks and Rec. all being used for the event, while bringing over 1000 people to Steinbach.

12.6 Ms. Harder requested a letter of Support from the city to submit with their application, and to consider assisting financially if Steinbach was selected to host in 2025. She was prepared to answer questions of council.

13. The Mayor thanked the delegate for their presentation and the work that Ms. Harder does.

R24-039 14. Councillor S. Penner, Councillor D. Penner RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach fully support Ms. Harder and the Pat Porter Active Living Centre in its bid to host the Manitoba Society of Seniors (MSOS) 55 Plus Provincial Games in Steinbach in June 2025.

-Un. Carried-

15. Delegation: Bob Barrow was present at the meeting to request rapid flashing low level pedestrian crossing lights be installed at the crosswalks on Main Street by Quality Detailing and Jodoin Law Office and beside the 7-11 and Bowling Alley, across Brandt Street.

15.1 Mr. Barrow explained that his purpose in coming before council was to save lives. He cited a situation on December 15th where he witnessed three children who were almost hit as they were crossing, a young child who was hit on Main Street three years ago, as well as an 8-year-old child who did lose his life three years ago while crossing at St. Anne's Road in Winnipeg.

15.2 Mr. Barrow has previously spoken to members of council by email and phone. Three years ago, he contacted MTI with concerns. They stated they would conduct a study, but he has not heard back from them. He explained that the City of Winnipeg, the town of Ste. Anne and other municipalities have installed rapid flashing low level pedestrian crossing lights, installed at the seven-foot height.

15.3 Mr. Barrow was prepared to answer questions of council.

16. The Mayor thanked the delegate for their presentation.

R24-040 17. Councillor M. Zwaagstra, Councillor B. Hiebert RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach send a letter to Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure with a request for the installation of rapid flashing low level pedestrian crossing lights at the crosswalks on Main Street and on Brandt Street.

-Un. Carried-

R24-041 18. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor J. Hiebert RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach give first reading to By-Law 2242, being a street renaming by-law.

-Un. Carried-

R24-042 19. Councillor J. Siemens, Councillor B. Hiebert RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach give second reading to By-Law 2242, being a street renaming by-law.

-Un. Carried-

R24-043 20. Councillor J. Hiebert, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach accept the following business licences. (list attached)

-Un. Carried-

R24-044 21. Councillor S. Penner, Councillor M. Zwaagstra, RESOLVED that the building permits as issued during the month of January 2024 be accepted. (list attached)

-Un. Carried-

R24-045 22. Councillor B. Hiebert, Councillor J. Hiebert RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach accept the following approved excavator's licences as issued by the Operations Department.

Lic. No. 24-08 - Seine River Telecom. - Peter Defoort - Sewer & Water

Lic. No. 24-09 - OB1 Contracting - Michael O'Brien - Utilities

Lic. No. 24-10 - VP Enterprises 2022 Inc. - Johannes Pankraz - Construction

-Un. Carried-

R24-046 23. Councillor M. Zwaagstra, Councillor D. Penner RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach accept the following 2023 Farm Use Payback added taxes.

451 0000580.000 Agassiz Shore Developments Ltd. \$40,643.96

451 0001450.000 10027732 Manitoba Inc. \$84,577.04

451 0464810.000 Stonebridge Development Corporation \$17,236.22

-Un. Carried-

24. Correspondence and a sponsorship request for the International Women's Day Event from Agape House were acknowledged.
Received as information.

25. Councillor J. Hiebert, Councillor S. Penner RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.

-Un. Carried-

Time of adjournment: 8:06 p.m.

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Mayor

City Manager