VILLAGE OF PARADISE HILL

December 8, 2025, Regular Meeting

TIME: 6:30 PM December 8, 2025

PLACE: Village Office, Paradise Hill

PRESENT: Mayor Bernard Ecker, Councilors Curtis McGowan, Brad Form, Karen Kroon, Audrey Greves, Administrator Cynthia Villeneuve

ABSENT:

VISITORS: Martin Smith Access Communications 6:50 pm - 7:15 pm

Mayor Bernard Ecker called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

#284/25 AGENDA:

MCGOWAN that the agenda be approved, as circulated.

CARRIED

#285/25 MINUTES:

GREVES that the minutes of November 10, 2025, regular meeting be approved, as circulated.

CARRIED

#286/25 FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

MCGOWAN that the financial statement for the month ending November 30, 2025, be accepted, as circulated.

CARRIED

#287/25 BANK RECONCILIATION:

GREVES that the adoption of the bank reconciliation statement dated November 30, 2025, be accepted, as circulated.

CARRIED

#288/25 PARADISE HIIL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

GREVES that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Paradise Hill Fire Department, held on November 17, 2025, be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

#289/25 RCMP COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT – JANUARY – NOVEMBER 2025:

KROON that the RCMP Community Policing Report for January – November 2025, be accepted, as presented.

CARRIED

Councilor Brad Form attended at 6:35 pm.

#290/25 WATER SECURITY AGENCY – PERMIT TO OPERATE SEWAGE WORKS:

FORM acknowledge and accept the draft permit from WSA.

CARRIED

#291/25 WATER TREATMENT PLANT MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT:

MCGOWAN that the Water Treatment Plant Operating Report for the month ending November 30, 2025, be accepted, as presented.

CARRIED

Martin Smith from Access Communications attended at 6:50 pm – 7:15 pm.

#292/25 PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR'S REPORT:

FORM that the Public Works Contractor's Report for the month ending November 30, 2025, be accepted, as presented.

CARRIED

#293/25 IN CAMERA SESSION:
MCGOWAN that the Village of Paradise Hill Council move in camera for the purpose of 501 Utility Authority discussion. Meeting moved in camera at 7:23 pm.
CARRIED

#294/25 OUT OF CAMERA:
GREVES that the Council returns to the open meeting. Return to the open meeting at 7:30 pm.
CARRIED

#295/25 TRANSFER TO W & S i–SAVE ACCOUNT:
FORM that the proceeds from Debenture #2 be transferred to the W & S i-Save account.
CARRIED

#296/25 BOARD OF REVISION:
MCGOWAN to appoint Western Municipal Consulting as board of revision.
CARRIED

#297/25 POLICY - MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE CODE OF CONDUCT:
GREVES that Policy #17 be approved – Municipal Employee code of conduct.
CARRIED

#298/25 MICROCHIP READER FOR PETS:
GREVES that a microchip reader be purchased to assist the dog catcher in identifying the owner of the pet that has been apprehended; further the cost of the reader is approximately $30.00.
CARRIED

#299/25 VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTER INSURANCE:
FORM to renew the volunteer fire fighter insurance and first responder insurance through the SUMA Program for 2026, selecting coverage Option C, the total being $1,280.00 plus tax and administration; further that the 24 hours Off Duty Coverage be offered to the fire department members. The Village of Paradise Hill would pay the cost of the Off-Duty Coverage for the Volunteer firefighters if the firefighter attended 50% of the previous year's monthly meetings. If some fire fighters are members of both St. Walburg Fire Department and Paradise Hill Fire Department and are eligible for the 24/7 off-duty coverage the cost will be shared equally with St. Walburg Fire Department.
CARRIED

#300/25 SAMA 2026:
KROON to acknowledge that SAMA Service Fees will be increasing from the current rate of $25 per property to $50 per property starting on January 1, 2026.
CARRIED

#301/25 CHRISTMAS TREE:
MCGOWAN that should the RM of Frenchman Butte want the Christmas tree that we give it to them free of charge.
CARRIED

#302/25 REFURBISHED COMPUTER:
FORM that Council approves the donation of a refurbished computer to the Paradise Hill Care Home for their use.
CARRIED

#303/25 SYNERGY CREDIT UNION – TERM DEPOSIT:
MCGOWAN to renew term #82000724600, held in trust for the Paradise Hi'' Recreation Board, for a 12-month term, for $4,140.78 plus interest, $70.0ᴗ to be transferred from existing term prior to renewal to cover the Paradise Hill Recreation Board expense for 2025.
CARRIED

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#304/25 WATER/SEWER ARREARS TO TAXES – SCOTTON/ZWEIFEL:

FORM that a notice is issued to Lisa Zweifel (George and Mary Scotton, Estate) for the outstanding water and sewer account; further that if not paid by January 8, 2026, the outstanding balance will be added to the property taxes.

CARRIED

#305/25 POSTAGE STAMPS PURCHASE:

GREVES that a box of ten rolls of stamps be purchased from the Post Office prior to the cost of stamps possible increasing in 2026, cost shall be $1,302.00 including GST.

CARRIED

#306/25 ACCOUNTS – DECEMBER 31, 2025:

FORM that the administrator and the Deputy Mayor are authorized to pay all outstanding accounts on December 31, 2025.

CARRIED

#307/25 CORRESPONDENCE:

GREVES that the following correspondence, noted and filed

1) SUMA
2) Government of SK – Minister of Government Relations
3) Saskatchewan Housing Corporation
4) Rosemarie Falk, M. P.
5) Rosemarie Falk, M. P.
6) Government of Saskatchewan – Eric Schmalz
7) STARS

CARRIED

#308/25 ACCOUNTS:

KROON that the following accounts be approved for payment as per attached Schedule, "A," which shall form part of these minutes:

- "Deposit Register Pay Period: 11(27October2025 to 26November2025), totaling $13,480.02.
- Accounts Paid – December 8, 2025, including manual cheques #7156 - #7180, and computer cheques #25924 - #25926- except cheque #25925, totaling $36,672.02 and
- "Accounts for Approval – December 8, 2025, including cheques #25927–#25945, except cheques #25929 & #25930 totaling $16,664.70.

CARRIED

Mayor Bernard Ecker declared a conflict of interest in the next item of business due to the payment being for a contract he holds with the Village.

#309/25 ACCOUNTS:

KROON that the following be approved for payment of accounts as per attached Schedule "A," which shall form part of these minutes:

- "Accounts Paid As At December 8, 2025, including only cheque #25925 totaling $6,425.00 and
- "Accounts for Approval – December 8, 2025, including only cheques #25929 & #25930 totaling $2,552.04.

CARRIED

#310/25 AUTHORIZED PAYMENT OF NOVEMBER 2025 INVOICES:

FORM that the Signing Officer and Administrator be authorized to pay any November, 2025 invoices not received to date, to facilitate completion of year end processing and to avoid interest charges if not paid prior to December 31, 2025.

CARRIED

BE

#311/25 AUTHORIZED PAYMENT OF FIREFIGHTER WAGES:

MCGOWAN to authorize the firefighter wages for July 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025 to be paid through CAFT, as soon as possible after December 31, 2025.

CARRIED

#312/25 TRANSFER TO RESERVE:

GREVES that the balance of cemetery plots at December 31, 2025, the total sales of cemetery plots in 2025, be transferred to the Cemetery Reserve, effective December 31, 2025.

CARRIED

#313/25 TRANSFER TO RESERVE HISTORY BOOKS:

KROON that the balance of History Book Account at December 31, 2025, the total sales of History Books in 2025, be transferred to the i-save Historical, effective December 31, 2025.

CARRIED

#314/25 ADJOURNMENT:

KROON that the meeting be adjourned, Council to meet again, Monday, January 12, 2026.

CARRIED

Presented to Council this 12 day of January, 2026

MAYOR Benard Eiker ADMINISTRATOR Cynthia Vell