

CITY OF STEINBACH
Regular Council Meeting
October 18, 2022

MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of City of Steinbach Council held on Tuesday, October 18, 2022 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 Bill Hiebert, Damian Penner, Jake Hiebert, Jac Siemens, Michael Zwaagstra and Susan Penner. Also present: Manager, Corporate Services, Adam Thiessen, City Planner, Lacey Gaudet and City Clerk, Deb Rempel.

3. Councillor Bill Hiebert opened the meeting.

R22-234 4. Councillor J. Hiebert, Councillor S. Penner RESOLVED that the agenda be adopted.

-Un. Carried-

R22-235 5. Councillor B. Hiebert, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that the minutes of the October 4, 2022 Regular Council Meeting be approved.

-Un. Carried-

R22-236 6. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor J. Siemens RESOLVED that the following accounts be approved for payment:

Accounts Payable (October 12, 2022)	\$1,087,833.65
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-Un. Carried-

R22-237 7. Councillor J. Hiebert, Councillor B. Hiebert RESOLVED that the Financial Statements ending September 30, 2022 be accepted.

-Un. Carried-

8. Council meeting recessed and Public Hearing was called to order at 7:37 p.m., by Mayor Earl Funk. Public Hearing was to consider Variance V-2022-26.

Variance V-2022-26

Owners: Schinkel Properties Inc.

Applicant: Evan and Justin Schinkel

Civic Address: 75 PTH 12 North

Legal: Firstly: Parcel F, Plan 49417Exc. All Mines and Minerals in W 1/2 2-7-6 EPM.

Secondly: Lot 1, Plan 38300 in NW 1/4 2-7-6 EPM and;

Thirdly: Parcel B, Plan 56483

Purpose: 1. To permit a side yard setback of 11'10" whereas the "C3" Commercial Corridor Zone requires a minimum side yard setback of 15 feet.

8.1 Adam Thiessen, Manager, Corporate Services introduced Variance V-2022-26 and reported that notices pursuant to The Planning Act had been completed.

8.2 There is one letter of correspondence on the file in support of the variance.

8.3 Mr. Evan Schinkel, the applicant, on behalf of Schinkel Properties and was present at the public hearing and provided the following:

-The hotel was built in 2001. The first of their family run hotels. They are proud to be a part of the Steinbach community.

- When the hotel was originally built rooms were smaller, things have changed in the past years and the need for larger - extended stay rooms are needed. The plan is to renovate several areas of the hotel - outdoor patio, upgrade the breakfast area and improvements to the fitness room.

- The Variance request is to add additional extended stay rooms to the hotel. These rooms will include a kitchenette and provide more space to the user. The hotel currently does not have any rooms of this type and they will compliment the current rooms. The addition of this nature is critical to the operation of the business.

- They are proactively expanding on what has been established 20 years ago and continue to be proud owners of the property and invest in the beautification of the property.

- They have had and continue to have conversations with the neighboring property Smith Neufeld Jodoin LLP.

- The applicant was prepared to answer questions of Council.

8.4 Mr. Marcel Jodoin, partnership owner of Smith Neufeld Jodoin Inc. (SNJ) and Penfeld Professional Center Inc. (PPC) was present at the hearing and provided the following:

- He provided that there are rules of law and by-laws to follow.

- He asked what is the test for granting a Variance?

- He provided that this variance application was a 20% change request;

- He provided this variance will be closer to the SNJ building and the building is all windows and their view is of the hotel building.

- He questioned if there would be sufficient parking stalls as required and commented on potential parking issues with the adjacent property (PPC).

- He suggested the applicant change the location of the renovation.

- He provided that this renovation could affect SNJ future expansion.

Mr. Jodoin objected to the Variance on behalf of SNJ and PPC.

8.5 Council provided comment and had questions of administration.

8.6 Mr. Evan Schinkel returned to the podium and provided that the renovation is to support the need in the community.

8.7 Mr. Jodoin returned to the podium and questioned if they have considered a different side of the building for the renovation.

8.8 There being no further discussion, Council meeting re-opened at 8:07 p.m.

R22-238 9. Councillor M. Zwaagstra, Councillor S. Penner RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach approve Variance V-2022-26.

-Un. Carried-

10. Delegation: Steinbach Chamber of Commerce Christine Beaumont , President, Michelle Bezditny, Executive Director was present at the meeting.

Ms. Beaumont provided a brief presentation.

10.1 Ms. Beaumont thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity to present at the meeting. Ms. Beaumont introduced the Chamber Board of Directors, Chamber staff and Eastman Immigration Services staff. She provided that there are ten to fifteen languages represented in the office.

10.2 The Mission and Vision of the Chamber
Leading Growth - Connecting People

- Advocacy

- Leadership

- Economic Development

10.3 Newcomers continue to use the Eastman Immigration Services. They continue to see growth and expand services as required.

10.4 The Chamber continues to promote events e.g. Burger week. and were pleased and excited to be able to have a parade in August. Looking forward to promoting and having future events.

10.5 Steinbach Economic Development office (EDO)has hired a new director - Michelle Bezditny. The objectives of the EDO continue to be to facilitate growth and expansion of existing and attracting new business investment(s) to Steinbach. Labor force assessment, advocacy and partnerships. The Community stakeholder(s) continue to support the EDO. Future plans to formalize and have the EDO Incorporated

10.6 The delegate was prepared to answer questions of Council.

10.7 The Mayor thanked the delegation and provided appreciation for her role at the Chamber and for the work that the Chamber does for the community.

R22-239 11. Councillor S. Penner, Councillor J. Siemens RESOLVED that the Building Permits as issued for the month of September 2022 be accepted. (list attached)

-Un. Carried-

R22-240 12. Councillor J. Siemens, Councillor B. Hiebert RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach accept the following approved business licence.

Resident:

Lic. No. 92 Laura Friesen Friesen Holistic Wellness 26 Edgewood St Therapy

-Un. Carried-

R22-241 13. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach accept the following approved Excavator's Licence.

Lic No. 22-19 Dig-Rite Backhoe Tim Auch

-Un. Carried-

R22-242 14. Councillor M. Zwaagstra, Councillor S. Penner

WHEREAS Section 35(1) of The Municipal Assessment Act provides authority that a council shall each year by resolution appoint a board of revision consisting of not less than three members;

AND WHEREAS one of the appointed members of the board shall serve as the presiding officer of the board;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following persons be appointed to the 2023 board of revision scheduled to be held on October 25, 2022, with the designated role, and the amount of honorarium, as follows:

Matt Wieler	Presiding Officer	\$300.00
Jack Kehler	Member	\$250.00
Roy Enns	Member	\$250.00

-Un. Carried-

R22-243 15. Councillor S. Penner, Councillor J. Hiebert

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach Council supports the Steinbach Arts Centre under the Province of Manitoba Arts, Culture and Sport in Community Fund, for improvements to their building in order to use their space more efficiently and as they continue to expand programs and encourage the well-being of the community, embracing diversity and providing opportunities to all.

-Un. Carried-

16. Correspondence and a 2022/ 2023 Municipal Operating Grant payment (\$368,386.49) from the Minister of Municipal Relations was acknowledged.

Received as information.

17. Correspondence and a 2022 Interim Operating Grant payment (\$10,111.40) from the Minister of Municipal Relations - Mobility Disadvantaged Transportation program was acknowledged.

Received as information.

18. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor B. Hiebert RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.

-Un. Carried-

Time of adjournment: 8:45 p.m.

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