

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MURRAY HARBOUR
MINUTES of SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
December 8, 2023

In Attendance: Mayor, Terry White; Deputy Mayor, Gary MacKay; Cllr. Paul White; Cllr. Pam Oickle; Cllr. Marlene Chapman; Cllr. Kelly Matheson

Staff: Anne Harnesk (CAO)

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1. Call to Order:

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts declared.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKay and seconded by Cllr Oickle,
that the agenda December 8, 2023 Special Council Meeting be accepted as submitted.

Vote was 5-0 in favour; motion carried.

4. New Business

- a. Code of Conduct Breach – Motion to request Minister Lantz resolve the matter of sanctions pertaining to Councillor John Robertson

At the request of Municipal Affairs, council was to have a special council meeting to pass a motion requesting Minister Lantz order an inquiry pursuant to Section 217(1)(B)(i) of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Moved by Cllr Oickle and seconded by Cllr White

Whereas: the *Municipal Government Act Code of Conduct Regulations*, require sanctioned Councillors to comply with the terms of the sanction within the time period specified by the Council pursuant to section 5(3) of the Regulations;

And Whereas: Councillor John Robertson was sanctioned by the Council for violating the Murray Harbour Code of Conduct Bylaw and was given until December 1, 2023 to comply with the sanctions, and has failed to comply by the specified time;

And Whereas: The Municipality has followed the due process set out by the Murray Harbour Code of Conduct Bylaw, and has exhausted all options to resolve the matter;

And Whereas: The Minister may at the request of a Municipal Council order an inquiry into the conduct of a Member of Council pursuant to Section 217(1)(B)(i) of the *Municipal Government Act*;

Therefore, be it resolved: that The Rural Municipality of Murray Harbour formally requests pursuant to Section 217(1)(B)(i) of the *Municipal Government Act* that the Minister of Housing Land and Communities conduct an inquiry into the conduct of the Member and see that the matter is satisfactorily resolved.

Vote was 5-0 in favour; motion carried.

5. Adjournment

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKay and seconded by Cllr Chapman to adjourn at 5:09 pm

The next regular meeting of the Council will be on January 10, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Boardroom.



Mayor, Terry White



Anne Harnesk, CAO