

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TABER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ON MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022, AT 3:30 PM.

Mayor

Andrew Prokop

Councillors

Garth Bekkering

Jack Brewin

Carly Firth

Monica McLean

Alf Rudd

Joanne Sorensen

Chief Administrative Officer

Derrin Thibault

Staff

Matthew Kaga

Alaa Abdel Khaliq

Brian Martin

Steve Munshaw

Celina Newberry

John Orwa

Gary Scherer

Kerry Van Ham

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Prokop called the meeting to Order at 3:30 PM.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Prokop inquired if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda, and there were none.

RES. 1/2022 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council adopts the Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: December 20, 2021

RES. 2/2022 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 20, 2021, as amended, to amend RES. 567/2021 to correct the spelling of Wendi Crisholm to Wendi Chisholm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

1) St. Mary's School Micro Apiary: Request for Bylaw Amendment

K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager, stated that at the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 22, 2021 a question arose related to the need to indemnify the municipality in proposed Exotic and Wild Animal Bylaw 23-2021. She stated that after speaking with the Town's insurance provider and legal representation, there is no liability on behalf of the Town as the liability risk is clearly transferred to the institution within the Bylaw.

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1) St. Mary's School Micro Apiary: Request for Bylaw Amendment – CONT'D

K. Van Ham stated at this time Administration is recommending Third Reading of proposed Exotic and Wild Animal Bylaw 23-2021.

RES. 3/2022 MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council gives Third Reading to Exotic and Wild Animal Bylaw 23-2021, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

1) Tax Penalty Waiver Request

J. Orwa, Director of Finance, presented correspondence from the property owner for Roll 6961202, who is requesting that their tax penalty in the amount of \$2,082.26 be waived, and to defer an increase in taxes by keeping the current tax rate the same until their operations begin in 36 months.

J. Orwa stated that Administration is recommending that Council does not waive the property tax penalties, in the amount of \$2,082.26, at this time as it is in accordance with Property Tax Bylaw 16-2021.

J. Orwa stated that in regards to their request to defer the tax rate, Administration is recommending that Council defers this decision to a later date as Administration is in the process of developing a proposed Tax Exemption Bylaw, which may give this business the opportunity to apply for a tax deferral.

Council discussed the current Town of Taber tax penalties, in accordance with Property Tax Bylaw 16-2021.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

1) Tax Penalty Waiver Request – CONT'D

RES. 4/2022 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council does not waive the October 4, November 1, 2021 and the January 4, 2022 property tax penalties in the amount of \$2,082.26

CARRIED

2) 38 Meadows Way, Unit 34 - Variance for Rear Yard Setback

C. Newberry, Planning Officer, presented Development Permit 21-141 to Council. She stated that this application requests a variance for the property's setbacks, which requires the application to be presented to Council for approval, in accordance with the Land Use Bylaw 13-2020.

Repealed by
RES. 15/2022 on
January 24, 2022.
RK

~~RES. 5/2022~~ MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council approves DP 21-141 38 Meadows Way Unit 34, Plan 221 _____ with the following ten (10) conditions:

- 1) The site is developed as per the site plan submitted;
- 2) The development conforms to the district requirements of the Direct Control District 4 (DC-4);
- 3) A rear yard setback variance of 0.86 metres of was approved for this parcel by Council on January 10, 2022;
- 4) The applicant must obtain a Building Permit to ensure the development complies with the National Fire Code 2019 (AE) and the National Building Code 2019 (AE). It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to obtain the necessary Building, Plumbing, Electrical, and Gas permits;
- 5) The architectural controls and vertical grade points must be approved by the Developer;

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**2) 38 Meadows Way, Unit 34 - Variance for Rear Yard Setback
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- 6) The contractor commissioned for construction must have a valid Business License for the Town of Taber;
- 7) A lot drainage (grade) plan illustrating water will not accumulate at or near the buildings (positive drainage), nor accumulate on the lot, and will not adversely affect adjacent properties shall be produced by a qualified professional and supplied to the Town of Taber prior to the Building Permit being issued. In addition, the foundation must be staked by a qualified professional;
- 8) During construction, the site shall be maintained in a neat and orderly manner so as to ensure that neighbours are not directly impacted by construction activity. This includes parking of construction vehicles and storage of construction materials, debris, and topsoil. Any damage to neighbours property, including fences, driveways, or landscaping that occurs due to this construction shall be repaired. Erosion shall be controlled so that soil and dust is not conveyed off site. Standing water on the site shall also be controlled by the applicant. (Non-compliance of these items are subject to fines as indicated under Bylaw 4-2008);
- 9) In accordance with policy PLN-4, a \$2,500.00 deposit shall be forwarded to the Town office (Planning Department) prior to construction. Any damages to public streets, sidewalks, or services as a result of construction of this dwelling shall be restored to Town standards at the applicant's expense prior to issuance of an occupancy permit; and,

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**2) 38 Meadows Way, Unit 34 - Variance for Rear Yard Setback
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- 10) All outstanding taxes, if any, are paid to the Town of Taber prior to proceeding with development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Taber Municipal Police Commission Logo Request

K. Van Ham presented correspondence from the Taber Municipal Police Commission requesting Council to approve and grant the Commission permission to use the Town's official Heraldic Shield as a part of the Commission's proposed logo, and to grant the Secretary the right to use the proposed logo for official Commission business.

RES. 6/2022

MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council grants the Taber Municipal Police Commission the use of the Town's official Heraldic Shield as part of the design of the Commission's logo, provided that the colours and design of the shield remain the same as they were granted by the Canadian Heraldic Authority;

That Council grants the Secretary of the Taber Municipal Police Commission the rights to use the proposed logos for official Commission business, and that the logos be protected and utilized for the same; and,

That Council suggests that the Taber Municipal Police Commission consider incorporating the specifics of use and design of the Taber Municipal Police Commission logo into the Taber Municipal Police Commission Policy Manual, to protect the visual identity standards of the logo.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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4) Standing Item - Council Requests

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the Standing Item – Council Requests Action Item listing to Council.

RES. 7/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council directs Administration to look into Bylaw 16-2021 in regards to property tax penalties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council discussed the installation of port-a-potties at all parks and playgrounds within the Town.

Council discussed correspondence received from residents on 56th Avenue on concerns of blowing dirt on the undeveloped land nearby.

G. Scherer, Director of Engineering and Public Works, stated that many of the issues such as the wind and weather are out of the Town's control and stated that the Town did have a contractor seed the area last year.

Council discussed the enforcement on the Town's Bylaw's in the area.

MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council directs Administration to monitor the current situation, on the land located on 56th Avenue, to be further investigated by Public Works to ensure appropriate germination that would stabilize the property in question, and be checked on in the spring and in the growing season.

Councillor Brewin suggested a friendly amendment to have the property monitored, so that it is watched if the wind starts blowing.

Councillor Rudd accepted the friendly amendment.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

4) Standing Item - Council Requests – CONT'D

RES. 8/2022 MOVED Councillor Rudd that Council directs Administration to monitor the current situation of the land located on 56th Avenue, and to be further investigated by Public Works to ensure appropriate germination that would stabilize the property in question and be checked on in the spring, by the end of May, and by July 1st in the growing season.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

None.

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

RES. 9/2022 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council moves into Closed Session to prevent disclosure that:

- Could reasonably be expected to reveal consultations or deliberations involving officers of a public body, in accordance with Section 24(1) Advice from officials, of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:01 PM

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CLOSED SESSION

1) Budget Discussion

Closed Session to prevent disclosure that could reasonably be expected to reveal consultations or deliberations involving officers of a public body, in accordance with Section 24(1): Advice from officials, of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, there were the following members of Administration in attendance for Agenda Item 10.1) Budget Discussion: D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, and J. Orwa, Director of Finance.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 10/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:55 PM

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 11/2022 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:55 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

