

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,
APRIL 25, 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

Chris Eagan

Jordan Florchinger

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. 153/2022 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council adopts the Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: April 11, 2022

RES. 154/2022 MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 11, 2022, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

1) 2020 Canadian Award for Financial Reporting

J. Orwa, Director of Finance, stated that the Town of Taber Finance Department has been awarded the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting Achievement for the year ending December 31, 2020. He stated that the Town's financial reports were submitted and reviewed by members of the Government Finance Officers Association with the Canadian Award of Excellence in Financial Reports Program, who grants this award to honour those who go beyond the minimum requirements of financial reporting in the spirit of transparency.

Mr. Orwa stated that this is a great accomplishment that demonstrates the pride and commitment to the excellence of the entire Finance Department of the Town of Taber.

Mayor Prokop presented the award to Mr. Orwa.

Council made no motion at this this time.

2) 2021 Capital Projects Carry Forward

J. Orwa presented the 2021 Capital Project list and identified which 2021 Capital Projects will need to be carried forward to 2022 to be completed.

Council discussed the proposed listed of 2021 Capital Projects to carry forward to 2022.

RES. 155/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council approves the attached list of 2021 Capital Projects to be carried forward to 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

3) 2021 Audited Financial Statements

J. Orwa presented the 2021 Audited Financial Statements to Council.

Council discussed the 2021 Audited Financial Statements and taxes in lieu.

RES. 156/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council advises Administration to make available the approved Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, in booklet format to any ratepayer free of charge.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4) Department Reports

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the Department Reports to Council.

Council discussed the Communities in Bloom mural project, the SouthGrow Economic Development Summit, and the Alberta Rural Renewal Immigration Strategy.

Council made no motion at this time.

5) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

Council presented their verbal reports.

Council made no motion at this time.

6) Standing Item - Council Requests

D. Thibault presented the Standing Item – Council Requests Action Item listing to Council.

Council discussed concerns received from residents about the angle parking and centre traffic line in front of the Post Office.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

6) Standing Item - Council Requests – CONT'D

RES. 157/2022 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council directs Administration to explore some solutions to the driving lane width and parking situation in front of the Post Office, and to bring those solutions back to Council in the next 3 months.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council discussed the location and accessibility of bylaw information on the Town of Taber website, specific to weed control, unsightly properties, and skunk control.

RES. 158/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council directs Administration to explore whether the Town of Taber weed control, unsightly properties, and skunk pamphlets need to be added to the Town website.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

None.

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

MEDIA INQUIRIES – CONT'D

RES. 159/2022 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council moves into Closed Session to prevent disclosure:

- That could reasonably be expected to be harmful to intergovernmental relations between local government bodies in accordance with Section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:07 PM

CLOSED SESSION

1) Discussion with Council

Closed Session to prevent disclosure that could reasonably be expected to be harmful to intergovernmental relations between local government bodies in accordance with Section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, there was the following member of Administration in attendance for Agenda Item 10.1) Discussion With Council: D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 160/2022 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:50 PM

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 161/2022 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:51 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

