

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, SEPTEMBER 12, 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

Ramin Lahiji

Brian Martin

Steve Munshaw

Celina Newberry

Kerry Van Ham

CALL TO ORDER

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

RES. 280/2022 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council adopts the Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: August 15, 2022

RES. 281/2022 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on August 15, 2022, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

1) Bylaw 16-2022 Lending Bylaw - Society for Taber Arts and Recreation

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that no petitions have come through since Bylaw 16-2022 received First Reading.

RES. 282/2022 MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council gives 2nd Reading to Bylaw 16-2022 Lending Bylaw - Society for Taber Arts and Recreation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Repeated
by RES. 179/2023
on May 23 2023.
B.G.*

~~RES. 283/2022~~ MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council gives 3rd and Final Reading to Bylaw 16-2022 Lending Bylaw - Society for Taber Arts and Recreation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

1) Request to Transfer Funds from 2022 Capital Reserves to the West Trail Extension Project

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer stated that at the August 15, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council, the following motion was approved:

“MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council directs Administration to move forward with the following projects in the order as described below;

- 1. Accessible pathway to the shoreline*
- 2. Playground*
- 3. Day-use camp kitchen*
- 4. Extend camping”*

Administration is now requesting to use these funds (from capital reserves) to fund the remaining West Trail Extension/Trout Pond phases as listed.

RES. 284/2022 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council authorizes the funding of \$562,737 from the Capital Reserves for the West Trail Extension/Trout Pond Project, which includes; the accessible pathway to the shoreline, playground, day-use camp kitchen and extended camping.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Proposed Renewal: Encroachment Agreement Policy PLN - 3

C. Eagan, Director of Planning and Community Services, stated Administration has reviewed the Encroachment Agreement Policy PLN – 3, as part of Administrations 3-Year policy review, and provided administrative updates.

RES. 285/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council approves the Encroachment Agreement Policy PLN – 3 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

3) Response to Standing Item 240/2022 Agri-Food Tourism Initiatives

C. Eagan, Director of Planning and Community Services stated that at the June 27th Council Meeting, the following resolution was made:

“MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council directs Administration to look into tourism in specifically the agricultural industry, farm-to-table, with maybe a partnership with the Municipal District of Taber and Chamber of Commerce.”

Mr. Eagan provided updated information to Council related to the existence of the offering, qualifications of the project, and existing availability in Southern Alberta and the Province.

Council made no motion at this time.

4) Proposed Renewal: Legal Services: Obtaining Legal Advice Policy ADM-1

K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager stated that in conjunction with the ongoing review of Town policies and procedures, Administration recommends Council reviews and adopts the policy related to ongoing services being obtained.

Ms. Van Ham also provided an overview of the suggested changes to the Policy.

RES. 286/2022 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council adopts the Legal Services; Obtaining Legal Advice Policy ADM-1, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5) Resignation: Taber Municipal Library Board

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that on August 23, 2022, Administration received the resignation of Amanda Zsedely from the Taber Municipal Library Board.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

5) Resignation: Taber Municipal Library Board – Cont'd

RES. 287/2022 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council accepts the resignation of Amanda Zsedely from the Taber Municipal Library Board, with regret; and,

Council wishes Ms. Zsedely the best in any future endeavours.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6) Regional Collaboration Opportunities

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that during a planning session held on August 10th, 2022, Council members requested this agenda item be brought to this meeting.

Council discussed the various opportunities identified.

Council stated that they wish to re-visit the concept of a regional approach to a variety of topics that may be of interest to our neighboring Municipalities and requests Administration to reach out to inquire and possibly set up some meetings.

RES. 288/2022 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council directs Administration to arrange a meeting with our interested neighboring Municipalities to discuss the possibilities of a regional approach to various areas of mutual interest.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7) 2nd Quarter Financial Statements

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the 2nd Quarter Financial Statements to Council.

Council discussed the revenues and taxes collected.

Council made no motion at this time.

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8) Information for Council

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, discussed the previous Council request for signage related to the location of potable water in and around the Town. Mr. Thibault stated that further clarification will be brought to a future meeting.

Council made no motion at this time.

9) Standing Item - Council Requests

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

Council discussed the colour of the husks around the corn cobs on the new gateway signs.

RES. 289/2022 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council requests that Administration investigate the feasibility/cost of painting the husks on the gateway signs green.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council further discussed drainage on a property on 53 Street and 64 Avenue.

RES. 290/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council requests that Administration investigates the stormwater capabilities of 53 Street and 64 Avenue in that neighbourhood, and Administration can report back on that.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

None.

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MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

RES. 291/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council takes a 30-minute meal break and moves into Closed Session upon their return.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:12 PM

CLOSED SESSION

1) The Meadows Development

That Council takes the meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of plans relating to the management of personnel or the administration of a public body that have not yet been implemented, in accordance with Section 24(1) 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) The Meadows Development: D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, J. Orwa, Chief Financial Officer, and C. Eagan, Director of Planning and Community Services.

2) Personnel Matter

That Council takes the meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of applicant personal information that is evaluative or opinion material compiled for the purposes of determining the applicant's suitability, eligibility or qualifications for employment, in accordance with Section 19: Confidential evaluations, of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) Act*.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, there was the following member of Administration in attendance for Agenda Item 10.2) Personnel Matter: D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 292/2022 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:32 PM

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 293/2022 MOVED by Councillor McLean that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:33 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

