

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, NOVEMBER 14, 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

Alaa Abdel Khaliq

Amy Allred

Chris Eagan

Steve Munshaw

John Orwa

Gary Scherer

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 noted the requested deferral of Agenda Item 7.2) 2 Billion Tree Grant.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – CONT'D

RES. 355/2022

MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council adopts the Agenda, as amended, to reflect the deferral of Agenda Item 7.2) 2 Billion Tree Grant to the November 28, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Organizational Meeting of Council: October 24, 2022

RES. 356/2022

MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council adopts the minutes of the Organizational Meeting of Council held on October 24, 2022, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: October 24, 2022

RES. 357/2022

MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 24, 2022, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

1) Proposed Nuisance and Unsightly Premises Bylaw 20-2022

K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager stated that it was brought to Administration's attention that there were two Section 12's in Bylaw 13-2021. This Bylaw is being brought forward to correct this and for the better ability to specify when Notice/Order of Compliance and Penalties are issued. Additionally, 6.1.2 was added regarding resident's trees, as there was no clear measurement, so a clearance was added for ability to enforce; and 6.1.4 was also added for clarity of maximum height to allow for enforcement.

RES. 358/2022 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council gives 1st Reading to the Nuisance and Unsightly Premises Bylaw 20-2022, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 359/2022 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council gives 2nd Reading to the Nuisance and Unsightly Premises Bylaw 20-2022, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 360/2022 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council unanimously agrees to proceed to 3rd and Final Reading to the Nuisance and Unsightly Premises Bylaw 20-2022, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 361/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council gives 3rd and Final Reading to the Nuisance and Unsightly Premises Bylaw 20-2022, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS – CONT'D

2) Proposed Fee Bylaw 18-2022

D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer stated that Administration is requesting only Second Reading at this meeting.

RES. 362/2022

MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council gives Second Reading to Fee Bylaw 18-2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Business License Bylaw 19-2022 Update

A. Allred, Economic Development Officer, stated that in an effort to streamline ease of access to fees, the Schedule of Fees in the Business License Bylaw has been moved to the Fee Bylaw. All references to the Schedules in the Bylaw have been updated to direct readers to the current Fee Bylaw for more information.

RES. 363/2022

MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council gives First Reading to Business License Bylaw 19-2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

1) Request for Letter of Support: Provincial Traffic Enforcement Fine Revenue

D. Thibault stated that correspondence was received from Mayor Hyggen, City of Lethbridge, in which he has requested Council's consideration related to Provincial Traffic Enforcement fine revenue allocations.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

1) Request for Letter of Support: Provincial Traffic Enforcement Fine Revenue – Cont'd

RES. 364/2022

MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council requests Administration create a letter encouraging Honourable Tyler Shandro, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General to review the percentage of revenue allocations returned by the Government of Alberta to the various municipalities with their own local Police Services, which are generated by the local Police Services throughout the Province from the Provincial Traffic Enforcement fine revenue.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) 2 Billion Tree Grant

This Agenda Item was deferred with the Adoption of the Agenda.

3) Feral and Stray Cat Discussion

D. Thibault stated that Last Chance Cat Ranch and Taber Police Service have requested discussion on this matter.

Council discussed the ability to control the feral cat population, past practice, a tagging identification system, and budget requirements

MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council requests Administration to provide additional information related to discussion of the feral and stray cat discussion item, specifically cost per cat to spay/neuter, and look at different options.

Councillor Sorensen requested an amendment to the motion to include devising a way to identify the feral cats.

Councillor Brewin accepted the requested amendment to the motion.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

3) Feral and Stray Cat Discussion

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MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council requests Administration to provide additional information related to discussion of the feral and stray cat discussion item, specifically the cost per cat to spay/neuter, to look at different options, and to devise a way to identify the feral cats.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4) Donation Request of a Garbage Truck for the County of Siaya, Town of Bondo

Mr. Thibault stated that prior to the recent official twinning that took place between the Town of Taber and the Town of Bondo, discussions had been happening regarding the opportunity of donating an end-of-life garbage truck to Bondo. The Minister of Water and Wastewater infrastructure from the County of Siaya in the Republic of Kenya came for a site visit to assess the condition of the garbage truck that the Town of Taber was willing to donate. The Minister was satisfied with the condition of the garbage truck and officially requested that it be donated to the Town of Bondo through a Council resolution

RES. 366/2022

MOVED by Councillor McLean that the Town of Taber, Alberta, Canada donates a white 2002 International 7400 Tandem Garbage Truck VIN # 1HTWGAAR82J040822 to Bondo Municipality within the County Government of Siaya with all costs for repairs and transportation to the recipient.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

5) 2022 Capital Budget Funding Changes

J. Orwa, Chief Financial Officer, stated that Administration has prepared the 2022 Capital project funding adjustments for Council's consideration.

Council discussed each of the project statuses, MSI funding amounts, and the process for approving funding changes in relation to audit purposes.

RES. 367/2022 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council approves the 2022 Capital Budget Funding with the following amendments:
Reduce by \$100,000 and \$90,000 and go forward with other amounts and add the other two projects to the 2023 project.

DEFEATED

RES. 368/2022 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council approves the 2022 Capital Budget funding adjustments as presented with \$674,753 to come from Capital reserves.

CARRIED

6) 2023 Proposed Capital Budget

J. Orwa stated that Administration has prepared the proposed 2023 Capital project listing with possible funding, for Council's consideration.

Mr. Orwa stated that these amounts have been allocated to fund the relevant projects that have been carefully identified for their potential to support long-term economic growth.

RES. 369/2022 MOVED by Councillor Rudd that Council approves the 2023 Capital Budget as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

7) Standing Item - Council Requests

D. Thibault reviewed the Standing Item Listing.

No motion was made at this time.

DELEGATIONS

None.

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

RES. 370/2022

MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council recesses for a 30-minutes meal break and moves into Closed Session upon return, to prevent disclosure of:

- Advice, proposals, recommendations, analysis or policy options developed by or for a public body, in accordance with Section 24(1); Advice from officials; and,
- 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 4:37 PM

CLOSED SESSION

- 1) **Lease Space Discussion with Council**
That Council takes this meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of advice, proposals, recommendations, analysis or policy options developed by or for a public body 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 was the following members of Administration in attendance for Agenda Item 10.1) Lease Space Discussion with Council: D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, S. Munshaw, Fire Chief, J. Orwa, Chief Financial Officer, G. Scherer, Director of Engineering and Public Works, and C. Eagan, Director of Planning and Community Services.

- 2) **Discussion with Council**
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 was the following members of Administration in attendance for Agenda Item 10.2) Discussion with Council: D. Thibault, Chief Administrative Officer, S. Munshaw, Fire Chief, J. Orwa, Chief Financial Officer, G. Scherer, Director of Engineering and Public Works, and C. Eagan, Director of Planning and Community Services.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 371/2022

MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council reconvenes into Open Session.


CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:54 PM

CLOSE OF MEETING


RES. 372/2022

MOVED by Councillor Firth that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:55 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER