

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 8, 2024, AT 3:30 PM.

Mayor

Andrew Prokop

Councillors

Garth Bekkering

Jack Brewin

Carly Firth

Monica McLean

Daniel Remfert

Absent

Joanne Sorensen

Chief Administrative Officer

Derrin Thibault

Staff

Chris Eagan

Jordan Florchinger

Brittany Gilbertson

Brian Martin

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 there were none.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – CONT'D

RES. 1/2024 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council adopts the Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Prokop stated for the record that Councillor Sorensen would not be in attendance at the Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: December 18, 2023

RES. 2/2024 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council adopts the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 18, 2023, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

1) Proposed Amending Bylaw 1-2024

D. Thibault detailed the Proposed Amending Bylaw 1-2024, which would allow Council to appoint members to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board who do not reside in the Town of Taber.

Council discussed the opportunity for regional members to serve on the board.

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

1) Proposed Amending Bylaw 1-2024 – Cont'd

RES. 3/2024 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council gives First Reading to Amending Bylaw 1-2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 4/2024 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council gives Second Reading to Amending Bylaw 1-2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 5/2024 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council unanimously agrees to proceed with Third and Final Reading to Bylaw 1-2024, being the Amending Bylaw of the Town of Taber, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 6/2024 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council gives Third and Final Reading to Amending Bylaw 1-2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

1) Utility Billing Refund for Community Garden Water Supply

D. Thibault presented the utility billing refund request for a user of the Prairie Sunset Community Garden.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

1) Utility Billing Refund for Community Garden Water Supply – Cont'd

RES. 7/2024

MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council directs Administration to provide a water utility credit of \$60 towards the next available utility bill to the affected residence, for water provided by the residences in support of the Community Garden users at Prairie Sunset Avenue, when the Town water supply was interrupted during the summer of 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Tank 77 Planning Initiative

D. Thibault introduced C. Eagan, Director of Planning, Engineering and Operations, who detailed the history of the Tank 77 Planning Initiative.

Council discussed the presented project statement.

RES. 8/2024

MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council requires additional information from Administration regarding this project at the next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Information For Council

D. Thibault presented the letters received from Minister Ric McIver regarding the 2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership Intermunicipal Collaboration Project.

No motion was made.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

4) Response to Standing Item 363/2023 - 60th Ave Sidewalk

C. Eagan presented the project statement outlining the costs and steps associated with extending the sidewalk on 60th Avenue, in response to the Standing Item request RES. 363/2023, made at the November 14, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council.

Council discussed the proposal.

RES. 9/2024 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council requires additional information from Administration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5) Response to Standing Item 346/2023 - Development Process Review

C. Eagan presented the proposal for an audit of the Town of Taber development process, in response to the Standing Item request RES. 346/2023 made at the October 23, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council.

Council discussed the proposal, including the costs and necessity of the project.

RES. 10/2024 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council provides approval for the project to proceed in the 2024 building season, with funding not to exceed \$60,000, to come from the 2024 Capital Reserves.

DEFEATED

6) Response to Standing Item 364/2023 Dog Park maintenance

D. Thibault introduced B. Martin, Recreation Manager, who presented the project statement that outlined the costs associated with completing various upgrades to the Town of Taber dog park, in response to the Standing Item request RES. 364/2023, made at the November 14, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

**6) Response to Standing Item 364/2023 Dog Park Maintenance
– Cont'd**

RES. 11/2024

MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that
Council receives the report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7) Standing Items - Council Requests

D. Thibault reviewed the current listing.

DELEGATIONS

None.

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

OPEN SESSION

None.

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CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 12/2024

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:30 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

7/2024

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