

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 8, 2024, AT 3:30 PM.

Mayor

Andrew Prokop

Councillors

Garth Bekkering
Jack Brewin (arrived at 3:40pm)
Carly Firth
Monica McLean
Daniel Remfert
Joanne Sorensen

Chief Administrative Officer

John Orwa

Staff

Chris Eagan
Ramin Lahiji
Brian Martin
Celina Newberry
Kerry Van Ham

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Prokop called the Meeting to Order at 3:31 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Prokop inquired if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – CONT'D

RES. 113/2024

MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council adopts the Agenda, as amended, to discuss Agenda Item 7.2, Street Lights Study, prior to Agenda Item 7.1, 2024 Amended Capital Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1) Public Hearing for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting

A) Call to Order: Public Hearing for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting

Mayor Prokop called the Public Hearing to Order, and stated that anyone who wishes to speak during the Public Hearing will have 5 minutes to speak, and must state their name for the record, and state if they are speaking for themselves or on behalf of a group or organization.

B) Public Hearing for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting

J. Orwa, Acting Chief Administrative Officer introduced C. Newberry, Planning Officer, who detailed the Proposed Amendments to the Land Use Bylaw for redistricting.

Councillor Sorensen inquired if Administration had received any written or verbal comments regarding the amendment.

C. Newberry stated that Administration had not received any written or verbal comments at this time.

C) Presentation of Written or Oral Briefs Against the Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting

Mayor Prokop inquired if Administration had received any written briefs Against Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting.

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D) Presentation of Written or Oral Briefs Against the Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting – Cont'd

C. Newberry stated that Administration had not received any written briefs Against Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting.

Mayor Prokop inquired if anyone was present who wished to speak Against Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting.

Mayor Prokop inquired a second time if anyone was present who wished to speak Against Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting.

Mayor Prokop inquired a third and final time if anyone was present who wished to speak Against Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting, and there was none.

E) Presentation of Written or Oral Briefs For the Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting

Mayor Prokop inquired if anyone was present who wished to speak For Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting.

Mayor Prokop inquired a second time if anyone was present who wished to speak For Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting.

Mayor Prokop inquired a third and final time if anyone was present who wished to speak For Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting, and there was none.

F) Close of Meeting: Public Hearing for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting

RES. 114/2024

MOVED by Councillor Firth that this Public Hearing is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 3:34 PM

PUBLIC HEARINGS – CONT'D

2) Public Hearing for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 6-2024 for Redistricting

J. Orwa stated that Administration is requesting a postponement of the Public Hearing for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 6-2024 for Redistricting until appropriate advertising could take place.

RES. 115/2024 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council Postpones the Public Hearing for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 6-2024 for Redistricting until the April 22, 2024 Council Meeting for appropriate advertising to take place.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: March 25, 2024

RES. 116/2024 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 25, 2024 as amended, to reflect that RES. 109/2024 should state Carried, instead of Carried Unanimously.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

1) Second and Third Reading for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 5-2024 for Redistricting

RES. 117/2024 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council gives Second Reading to Bylaw 5-2024 to amend Land Use Bylaw 13-2020, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 118/2024 MOVED by Councillor Remfert that Council gives Third Reading to Bylaw 5-2024 to amend Land Use Bylaw 13-2020, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Second and Third Reading for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 6-2024 for Redistricting

Councillor Brewin arrived at the Meeting at 3:40 PM.

RES. 119/2024 MOVED by Councillor Remfert that Council postpones the proposed Second and Third Reading for Land Use Bylaw Amendment 6-2024 for Redistricting until after the Public Hearing on this matter which will take place on April 22, 2024, to allow for appropriate advertising and public input.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS – CONT'D

3) Proposed Bylaw 7-2024 Arts and Heritage Committee Bylaw

RES. 120/2024 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council rescinds Motion 63/2024 from the February 26, 2024 Council meeting which states:
“Council adopts the proposed amended Arts and Heritage Committee Bylaw 7-2024, as presented.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 121/2024 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council gives First Reading to Arts and Heritage Committee Bylaw 7-2024, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 122/2024 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council gives Second Reading to Arts and Heritage Committee Bylaw 7-2024, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 123/2024 MOVED by Councillor Remfert that Council unanimously agrees to proceed to Third and Final Reading to Arts and Heritage Bylaw 7-2024, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 124/2024 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council gives Third and Final Reading to Arts and Heritage Committee Bylaw 7-2024, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

1) Street Lights Study

J. Orwa introduced C. Eagan, Director of Planning, Engineering and Operations, and R. Lahiji, Engineering and Public Works Manager, who presented the street light study.

RES. 125/2024 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council directs Administration to go with the recommended option three, in the amount of \$85,000.00, to be funded from the 2024 Capital Reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) 2024 Amended Capital Budget

J. Orwa presented the 2024 Amended Capital Budget.

RES. 126/2024 MOVED by Councillor McLean that Council approves the 2024 Amended Capital Budget funding as listed, and also to include the street light study funding.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Information For Council

J. Orwa introduced C. Eagan, who presented the response for Standing Items RES. 105/2024 and RES. 107/2024.

No motion was made at this time.

4) Canadian Pacific Railway Crossing Upgrade

J. Orwa introduced C. Eagan and R. Lahiji, who presented the details for the Canadian Pacific Railway Crossing Upgrade.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

4) Canadian Pacific Railway Crossing Upgrade – Cont'd

RES. 127/2024 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council supports Canadian Pacific Railway in their project upgrades for the 50th Street crossing at an estimated shared cost of \$85,000.00, with funds to come from Capital Reserves.

CARRIED

5) Dissemination of Information Materials Policy ADM-9: Proposed Renewal

J. Orwa presented the Dissemination of Information Materials Policy ADM-9 that is due for its three-year renewal.

RES. 128/2024 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council approves the Dissemination of Information Materials Policy ADM-9, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6) Standing Items - Council Requests

J. Orwa reviewed the current listing.

RES. 129/2024 MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council directs Administration to investigate and propose a wildlife bylaw related to geese and racoon control.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 130/2024 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council takes a 30-minute meal break to reconvene into the Delegation Agenda Item at 5:00 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:36 PM

Meeting reconvened at 5:01 PM

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DELEGATIONS

1) Delegation: Taber Rugby Athletes, Request for Funding Support

J. Orwa introduced Jose May Thyard Erickson, Chair for the Taber Rugby 2015 Association, and members of the team, who presented their request for funding support.

Ms. Erickson and the members of the team detailed their request for funding to assist with financial expenses, for a trip to New Zealand on a rugby trip from June 29th, 2024 to July 10th, 2024.

Council discussed the request.

RES. 131/2024 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council approves the financial request from the Taber Rugby Athletes in the amount of \$100 per player, for a total of \$2,000.00, to assist with expenses for the team trip to New Zealand, from June 29th, 2024 to July 10th, 2024, from the 2024 Council Discretionary Fund.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Request for Funding Support: Taber Golf Club

J. Orwa introduced Keith Ypma, representative of the Taber Golf Club, who presented the request for financial assistance.

Mr. Ypma detailed the request for financial assistance for the upgrades of the exterior bathrooms located on the Taber Golf Course.

Council discussed the request.

MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council approves the financial request from the Taber Golf Club in the amount of \$5,000.00 to assist with the expense for the renovations of the exterior bathrooms on the Taber Golf Course, from the Operating Reserves.

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2) Request for Funding Support: Taber Golf Club – Cont'd

Councillor Sorensen requested an amendment to the motion, requesting \$5,000.00 from Operating Reserves and \$4,800.00 from Council Discretionary Fund.

Councillor Bekkering declined the amendment to the motion.

RES. 132/2024 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council approves the financial request from the Taber Golf Club in the amount of \$5,000.00 to assist with the expense for the renovations of the exterior bathrooms on the Taber Golf Course, from the Operating Reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

RES. 133/2024 MOVED by Councillor Remfert that Council moves into Closed Session to prevent the disclosure of:

- Consultations or deliberations involving officers or employees 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 5:25 PM

CLOSED SESSION

1) Discussion: Siaya Delegation Logistics

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) Discussion: Siaya Delegation Logistics; J. Orwa, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, and K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager.

2) Discussion: Joint Meeting between the MD of Taber, Chamber of Commerce and Town of Taber

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 10.2) Discussion: Joint Meeting between the MD of Taber, Chamber of Commerce and Town of Taber; J. Orwa, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, and K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager.

3) Discussion with Council

Council takes the meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of consultations or deliberations involving officers or employees of a public body, in accordance with Advice from Officials, Section 24(1)(b), 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 10.3) Discussion with Council; J. Orwa, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, and K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 134/2024

MOVED by Councillor Sorensen that Council moves into Open Session.

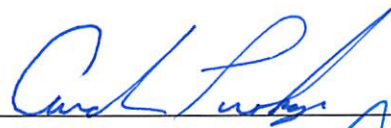
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:07 PM

CLOSE OF MEETING

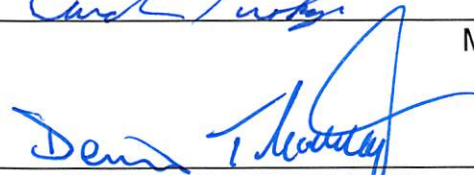
RES. 135/2024

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:07 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER