

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 TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2011 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 5:35 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Ray Bryant
Councillor Randy Sparks
Councillor John Papp
Councillor Rick Popadynetz
Councillor Louie Tams
Councillor Garth Bekkering
Councillor Murray Rochelle

ALSO PRESENT:

Gordon Frank, CLGM, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Dale Culler, CA, Director of Corporate Services
Rob Cressman, Director of Public Services
Jim Coughlin, Director of Planning & Economic Development
Kerry Van Ham, Council & CAO Assist./Recording Secretary
Garrett Simmons, Taber Times

ORDER

Mayor Bryant called the Regular Meeting of Council to Order at 5:35 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

RES.140/11 MOVED by Councillor Papp that Council adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS**A) Pheasant Festival in the M.D. of Taber**

Mayor Bryant welcomed Julie Landry-Deboer, Lane Seward and Tom Bateman, all of the Alberta Conservation Association who presented information on a Pheasant Festival that will be held from October 15 – 22, 2011 in the Municipal District of Taber.

The emphasis of this festival would be organized hunts for first time hunters which would be managed, safe, legal and responsible.

Council had a number of questions for the delegation at this time.

RES.141/11 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council receives the presentation from this delegation, supports the intent of the Pheasant Festival and supports people from communities to participate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES**A) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council – May 9, 2011**

RES.142/11 MOVED by Councillor Rochelle that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 9, 2011, as amended.

The amendment was as follows:

RES. 137/11 stated, a) “which can be residents”; replace with “which may be residents”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**A) Proposed Restrictive Vehicle Idling Bylaw 1-2011 – 2nd Reading**

Council discussed this subject at this time and reviewed the comments made at the Public Hearing.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – CONT'D**A) Proposed Restrictive Vehicle Idling Bylaw 1-2011 – 2nd Reading – Cont'd**

RES.143/11 MOVED by Councillor Rochelle that Council not proceed with Second Reading to Bylaw 1-2011 to establish a Restrictive Vehicle Idling Bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS - NONE**ACTION ITEMS****A) Recreation Sponsorship**

R. Cressman, Director of Public Services, provided details from the Recreation Board meeting of May 5, 2011, in which several options on the topic of sponsorship were considered.

The Recreation Board passed a resolution recommending Council direct Administration to undertake a competitive RFP process in accordance with the Town's purchasing policy, structured in a way to invite consultants in the field to submit their proposals and allowing the option of selecting components of these proposals.

RES.144/11 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council directs Administration to undertake a competitive Request for Proposals process in accordance with the Town's purchasing policy, structured in a way to invite consultants in the sponsorship field to submit their proposals and allowing the Town the option of selecting components of these proposals.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Subdivision and Development Application Fees

J. Coughlin, Director of Planning and Economic Development, detailed the schedule for Subdivision and Development Application Fees.

The schedule is part of the Land Use Bylaw No. 4-2006.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D**B) Subdivision and Development Application Fees – Cont'd**

RES.145/11 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council adopt a Schedule of Subdivision and Development Application Fees for inclusion in the Land Use Bylaw No. 4-2006.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Request for time extension for Subdivision Application TT08-0-011

J. Coughlin, Director of Planning and Economic Development, detailed the request for the extension that was originally considered by Council on April 25, 2011. Council directed this request be referred to the Municipal Planning Commission for their input.

Subdivision Application TT08-0-011 was approved on October 14, 2008, but final endorsement was not done because all of the approval conditions were not met. Jayco Builders has requested an extension of the time frame to finalize the conditions of approval of the subdivision until August 31, 2011.

RES.146/11 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council grants a time extension for Subdivision Application TT08-0-011 to August 31, 2011 with the identical conditions as the original application.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Canadian Badlands Ltd. Funding Opportunity

J. Coughlin, Director of Planning and Economic Development stated that on May 11, 2011, the Town was invited by Canadian Badlands Ltd. to submit and expression of interest for further funding towards the implementation of the Tourism Development Strategy and Agricultural Interpretive/Visitor Centre.

Due to the timing of the receipt of the request from Canadian Badlands Ltd., a letter expressing interest was issued by the Town of Taber on May 16, 2011.

Council discussed the implication of issuing an expression of interest to Canadian Badlands Ltd.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D**D) Canadian Badlands Ltd. Funding Opportunity – Cont'd**

RES.147/11 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council supports the submission to Canadian Badlands Ltd., dated May 16, 2011, for funding to implement the Tourism Development Strategy and develop the Agricultural Interpretive/Visitor Centre.

DEFEATED

E) 10 Minute Fire Response Time

G. Frank, CLGM, Chief Administrative Officer detailed the correspondence that was received from Quality Living Developments Inc., indicating their concerns regarding the effect that the 10 Minute Fire Response Time regulations will have on the company's existing development project.

Mr. Frank stated that if Council so chooses, direction could be given to Administration to undertake the drafting of a letter to the Office of the Minister of Municipal Affairs pertaining to the change in building code requirements for all development projects.

RES.148/11 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council supports the writing of a letter to the Office of the Minister of Municipal Affairs asking for an exemption or grandfathering of those subdivisions in progress prior to December 31, 2010 that had infrastructure in place, but were not titled.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Monthly Operating Financial Statements

D. Culler, CA, Director of Corporate Services detailed the year to date unaudited operating financial statements for the four months ending April 30, 2011.

RES.149/11 MOVED by Councillor Rochelle that Council accepts the unaudited operating financial statements for the four months ending April 30, 2011, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Department Head Reports

RES.150/11 MOVED by Councillor Rochelle that Council accepts the Department Head Reports, for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

Council briefly discussed their various Committee activities during the past month.

RES.151/11 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor reports, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES - NONE

CLOSED SESSION - NONE

OPEN SESSION - NONE

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES.152/11 MOVED by Councillor Papp that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:12 PM

R. B. Burt

MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER