

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, OCTOBER 24, 2011, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF COUNCIL AT 5:06 PM.

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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  
Kerry Van Ham, Council & CAO Assist./Recording Secretary  
Tom Moffatt, Information Technology Manager  
Garrett Simmons, Taber Times

**ORDER**

Mayor Bryant called the Regular Meeting of Council to Order at 5:11 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.258/11 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS****A) Early Childhood Mapping Project**

Mrs. Marilyn Visser, Early Childhood Resource Community Coordinator presented details of this five year project throughout various communities.

Council had a number of questions for Mrs. Visser at this time.

RES.259/11 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council receives the presentation on the Early Childhood Mapping Project, for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES****A) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council – October 11, 2011**

RES.260/11 MOVED by Councillor Papp that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 11, 2011, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - NONE****BYLAWS - NONE****ACTION ITEMS****A) Town of Taber New Website Demonstration**

T. Moffatt, Information Technology Manager, demonstrated the various components and functionality of the new website for the Town of Taber that is scheduled to be released at the end of October.

Council had a number of questions at this time.

RES.261/11 MOVED by Councillor Rochelle that Council accepts the demonstration of the Town's new website, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D****B) Report on Park Improvements**

R. Cressman, Director of Public Services, provided the progress report on park maintenance and improvements in the area of 46<sup>th</sup> A Street and 63<sup>rd</sup> A Avenue, as requested by Council at their September 12, 2011 regular meeting.

Mr. Cressman stated that the Town has evaluated its development processes in 2011. Development designs will now be vetted through all departments in an effort to ensure local improvements that become part of the Town's infrastructure and responsibility comply with the Town's standards and maintenance requirements and resources identified as the Town continues to grow.

MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council accepts the Old Rodeo Grounds park maintenance progress report, for information.

Council discussed the motion at this time.

Councillor Tams asked for a friendly amendment to state that Council accepts the Old Rodeo Grounds park maintenance progress report, for information, with a further progress report to be given to Council April 9, 2012.

Councillor Bekkering accepted the friendly amendment.

RES.262/11 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council accepts the Old Rodeo Grounds park maintenance progress report, for information, with a further progress report to be given to Council April 9, 2012.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**C) Waiver and Reduction Policy PS-REC-1 and Procedure PS-REC-1 Review**

R. Cressman, Director of Public Services, provided the annual review information and detailed listing of the related 2011 recreation facility bookings to Council.

Additional language to the policy was proposed to include direction to Administration to include an annual grant expense from Council to the recreation functions affected by the waived and reduced rental fees.

**ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D****C) Waiver and Reduction Policy PS-REC-1 and Procedure PS-REC-1 Review – Cont'd**

RES.263/11 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council accepts the Taber Recreation Board's recommendation, regarding the Recreation Facilities Rental Fees Waiver & Reduction policy, as presented and directs Administration to update the policy to include an annual grant expense from Council to the recreation functions affected by the waived and reduced rental fees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**D) Monthly Operating Financial Statements**

D. Culler, CA, Director of Corporate Services, provided the year to date unaudited operating financial statements for the eight months ending September 30, 2011.

Council reviewed and discussed the financial statements at this time.

RES.264/11 MOVED by Councillor Papp that Council accepts the unaudited operating financial statements for the nine months ending September 30, 2011, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**E) Department Head Reports**

Council had a number of questions regarding the monthly activity in different departments at this time.

RES.265/11 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council accepts the Department Head Reports, for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**F) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)**

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

RES.266/11 MOVED by Councillor Rochelle that Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor reports, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEDIA INQUIRIES – NONE**

**CLOSED SESSION**

RES.267/11 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council move to Closed Session to discuss land, legal and labour matters.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:53 PM

**OPEN SESSION**

RES.268/11 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:41 PM

**CLOSE OF MEETING**

RES.269/11 MOVED by Councillor Rochelle that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:41 PM



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MAYOR



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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER