

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 28, 2013, AT 5:40 PM, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AT 5:07 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Henk De Vlieger
Councillor Randy Sparks
Councillor Andrew Prokop
Councillor Rick Popadynetz
Councillor Jack Brewin
Councillor Joe Strojwas
Councillor Laura Ross-Giroux

ALSO PRESENT: Greg Birch, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Dale Culler, Director of Corporate Services
Rob Cressman, Director of Community Services
Kerry Van Ham, Council & CAO Assistant
Trevor Busch, Taber Times

ORDER

Mayor De Vlieger called the Regular Meeting of Council to Order at 5:40 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

RES.364/13 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS - NONE**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES****A) Regular Meeting of Council – October 15, 2013**

RES.365/13 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 15, 2013, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**A) Appeal of Notice/Order to Comply:
Notice/Order 3117**

G. Birch stated that on September 23, 2013, Council tabled a decision regarding this nuisance matter.

Mr. Birch stated that Council's direction was to have Administration endeavor to resolve the matter between the two neighbours and provide a summary of that effort. Mr. Birch stated that Administration was not successful in resolving this matter, therefore, it was suggested that the two parties involved present their information on this matter to Council at the Regular Meeting of Council to be held on November 12, 2013.

RES.366/13 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council invite the two landowners involved in the nuisance issue of the spruce trees to make a maximum five minute each presentation to Council on November 12, 2013, to express their respective interest regarding the two trees, prior to Council making its decision on the appeal.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS - NONE

ACTION ITEMS**A) First Time Hunters' Program:
Request for Access to Wastewater Effluent Irrigation Lands**

R. Cressman stated that Allen Herbst has requested the Town's authorization to access the wastewater effluent irrigation lands to conduct a First Time Hunter Program. The Town has authorized access for this program since 2002, and Mr. Herbst has been offering the program for years prior to the 2002 date.

RES.367/13 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council authorizes access to the Town's wastewater irrigation lands by the First Time Hunter Program during the month of November 2013, as requested by Allen Herbst.

CARRIED

**B) Proposed Accounts Receivable Collections & Write Offs
Policy and Procedure CS-FIN-4**

D. Culler stated that Administration is currently reviewing the Town's existing policies and procedures. The objective is to prepare updated policies in the Town's standard format for Council's consideration.

RES.368/13 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council approves the Accounts Receivable Collections & Write Offs Policy CS-FIN-4, as presented, and accepts the Accounts Receivable Collections & Write Offs Procedure CS-FIN-4, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D**C) Canadian Badlands Tourism:
Tourism Visioning Project**

G. Birch stated that the Town of Taber is a participant in the Canadian Badlands Tourism partnership. This partnership represents a large number of urban and rural municipalities in southern Alberta, with the objective of promoting tourism.

The Joint Economic Development Committee and Canadian Badlands have stated that it would be worthwhile to undertake a tourism visioning session for the Taber area.

RES.369/13 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council authorize the Town of Taber to participate in an application for the Collaborative Tourism Visioning and Action Plan Project: M.D. of Taber, Town of Taber and Town of Vauxhall, submitted by the Municipal District of Taber under the Regional Collaboration component of the Regional Collaboration Program; and further that Council agrees to abide by the terms of the conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**D) 2014 Budget:
Allocation of Photo-radar Revenue and Expenses**

G. Birch stated that at the Police Commission's October 16, 2013 meeting, the Commission made a motion to recommend to Council that fine revenues related to photo-radar, along with associated photo-radar expenses, be moved to general municipal revenues and expenses rather than be recognized in the police budget, with the additional recommendation that these revenues be used for special projects within the Town of Taber.

Council discussed the concept and budgetary impact.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D**D) 2014 Budget:
Allocation of Photo-radar Revenue and Expenses – Cont'd**

RES.370/13 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that commencing in the 2014 budget year, the revenues generated by photo-radar, with the associated expenses, not be recognized in the general municipal budget rather than the Police Commission budget.

DEFEATED

RES.371/13 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council table this issue to the November 12, 2013 meeting for future discussion.

CARRIED

**E) Joint Economic Development Committee:
Proposed Amendment to Committee Terms of Reference**

G. Birch stated that at its July 21, 2013 meeting, the Joint Economic Development Committee made a motion to amend the Terms of Reference of the Joint Economic Development Committee to include the Vauxhall Business Society. Since that time, a revised Terms of Reference including other amendments was drafted and approved by the Committee. Although this Committee is advisory only, the Terms of Reference must be approved by all of the members to have effect.

RES.372/13 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council approves the revised Joint Economic Development Committee Terms of Reference as presented, except that the name "Vauxhall Businessman's Society" shall be changed to "Vauxhall Business Society".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Department Reports

RES.373/13 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council accepts the Department Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

G) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

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

RES.374/13 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor Reports as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES

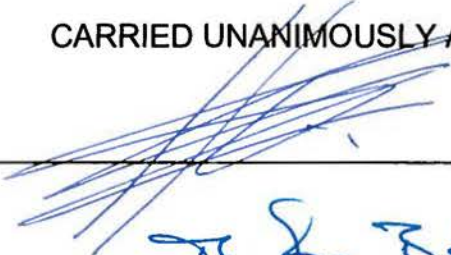
T. Busch requested clarification on the names of the members at large who were appointed to the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

Mayor De Vlieger stated that Mr. Ken Holst, Mr. Chris Bernhardt and Mr. Murray Gardner were appointed to be the members at large for the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES.375/13 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:51 PM


 _____ MAYOR

 _____ CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER