

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, MAY 11, 2015, AT 5:00 PM.

Mayor

De Vlieger, Henk

Councillors

Brewin, Jack
Popadynetz, Rick
Prokop, Andrew
Ross-Giroux, Laura
Sparks, Randy
Strojwas, Joe

Chief Administrative Officer

Birch, Greg

Staff

Armfelt, Cory
Munshaw, Steve
Scherer, Gary
Van Ham, Kerry

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor De Vlieger called the Regular Meeting of Council to Order at 5:00 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.223/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council adopts the Agenda as presented.

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DELEGATIONS

A) Delegation: Barons Eureka Warner FCSS

Brett Drewry, Director, provided an overview of the Organization's mandate, FCSS operations throughout Alberta, and specific Barons Eureka Warner FCSS operations in the region.

RES.224/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council accepts the information provided from Barons Eureka Warner FCSS, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Delegation: MNP LLP

G. Birch stated that at its April 13, 2015 meeting, Council requested administration to contact MNP LLP to request additional information regarding MNP's Whistleblower Policy management contract and associated fees.

Mr. Michael McCormack, BA, CFI, Investigative and Forensic Services, MNP LLP, presented information to Council regarding the specifics of services that are available, and could be provided, along with their associated costs.

RES.225/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the information provided by MNP LLP regarding the proposed Whistleblower Hotline, Ethics Alert, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A) Minutes Regular Meeting of Council: April 13, 2015

RES.226/2015 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 13, 2015, as presented.

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ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES – CONT'D

**B) Minutes Regular Meeting of Council:
April 27, 2015**

RES.227/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 27, 2015, as presented.

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

A) Draft Bylaw 10-2015, Utility Bylaw Amendment, 2nd and 3rd Reading

G. Birch stated that Council gave first reading to this draft bylaw at its April 27, 2015 meeting.

RES.228/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council gives second reading to draft Bylaw 10-2015, a bylaw to amend Utility Bylaw 14-2013 in order to increase the maximum wastewater strength limits for sewage to be discharged into the Town's sanitary sewage system from Lots 1 and 2, Block 1, Plan 4343JK because the property owner has agreed to pay a higher per-cubic-metre sewage treatment fee.

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

A) Draft Bylaw 10-2015, Utility Bylaw Amendment, 2nd and 3rd Reading

RES.229/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council gives third reading to draft Bylaw 10-2015, a bylaw to amend Utility Bylaw 14-2013 in order to increase the maximum wastewater strength limits for sewage to be discharged into the Town's sanitary sewage system from Lots 1 and 2, Block 1, Plan 4343JK because the property owner has agreed to pay a higher per-cubic-metre sewage treatment fee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

A) 50th Street Upgrade Tender

G. Scherer stated that at the January 12, 2015 Council meeting, Council determined their first preference for capital project, in 2015, was 50th Street road rebuild. The 50th Street tender opened on April 16, 2015 and closed 2:00 p.m. May 4, 2015.

Council discussed the road designation and specific weight restrictions on this project.

RES.230/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council approve award of the 50th Street Upgrade tender to McNally Contractors (2011) Ltd. for the amount of \$1,043,649.60.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Fire Department Service Levels

Fire Chief Munshaw stated that currently the Fire Bylaw doesn't indicate a level of service identified for response. Through working with the Municipal Emergency Management Committee a level of service was identified and was determined to be a workable structure.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

B) Fire Department Service Levels – Cont'd

Council discussed the Committee recommendations.

RES.231/2015 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that the level of service for the Town of Taber Fire Services be as follows:

- 1) Confined space rescue to awareness level;
- 2) Disaster response and management;
- 3) EMS/Police assist on as needed basis;
- 4) Fire inspections by request;
- 5) Fire investigations as mandated by Safety Codes Act;
- 6) Suppression on Flammable/Combustible hydrocarbon fires up 1000 L not including oilfield facility fires;
- 7) Hazardous materials response to operations level (NFPA 472);
- 8) High-angle rescue to awareness level;
- 9) Low-angle rescue to operations level;
- 10)Machinery rescue to operations level;
- 11)Structural/wild land firefighting to professional firefighting standards (NFPA1001);
- 12)Swift water/ice/dive rescue to awareness level;
- 13)Tunnel/excavation trench/structural collapse rescue to awareness level; and,
- 14)Vehicle extrication to operations level.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

C) Resolution 136/2015: Rescind

C. Armfelt stated that on March 9, 2015, Council passed a motion to sell a Town-owned lot to TWH Oilfield Services and grant them a Right of First Refusal on Lot 11 Block 9 Plan 0714240. It has come to the attention of Administration that Council agreed to sell Lot 11 Block 9 Plan 0714240 for \$120,000.00 instead of the Council set price of \$120,000.00/acre. Administration is seeking clarity on the price of Lot 11 Block 9 Plan 0714240 under the Right of First Refusal clause.

RES.232/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council rescinds Council Resolution 136/2015 and replaces it with:

That Council endorses the sale of Lot 12, Block 9, Plan 0714240 to TWH Oilfield Services for the price of \$90,000.00 per acre, meeting all of the requirements of the Municipal Government Act to facilitate the sale, and grant an option of first right of refusal to TWH Oilfield Services for purchase of Lot 11, Block 9, Plan 0714240 at a price of \$120,000.00/acre under a 72 hour clause.

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C) 2015 Capital Budget Amendment - proposed

G. Birch stated that the spray park was developed in Confederation Park in 2014. The spray park project involved construction of new water and sewer service lines immediately west of the Parkside Manor/Arts & Crafts building parking lot, between 50th avenue and the spray park.

This capital budget amendment is coming forward now, rather than during Council's Fall/Winter budget deliberations as until recently administration was under the impression this work would be undertaken by the Spray Park committee. The Spray park committee has advised the Town that it has no funds to undertake this work.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

C) 2015 Capital Budget Amendment – proposed – Cont'd

RES.233/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council approves adding the asphalt trail rehabilitation in the area of the Spray Park and Skate Park as an amendment to the 2015 Capital budget, at a cost not to exceed \$19,750 with funds allocated from the Town's capital reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Proposed Composting Site

G. Birch stated that last year Council was asked by a private company (Bio-Can) to lease land at the Town's regional waste management site to develop a composting facility. This site is on Town-owned land within the MD of Taber. Bio-Can applied to the MD of Taber for a development permit for the composting facility in late 2014. On April 20, 2015, the MD refused the application. To continue to move forward with possible use of this land for a composting and recycling facility, Council needs to do two things: redistrict (rezone) the land and subdivide the sites (one on each quarter) from the rest of the parcels.

RES.234/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council directs administration to prepare a draft bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw No. 4-2006 in order to create a direct control district of approximately 10 ha (25 acres) in area at the northern corner of NW 8-10-16-4 and NE 8-10-16-4, immediately south of 80th Avenue, in order to accommodate composting, recycling, and associated waste handling facilities.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

E) Finance Director Hiring

Mayor De Vlieger left the meeting at 6:35 PM.

G. Birch stated that Council asked administration to investigate the option of engaging a company named Hire Standard to assist the Town with hiring of the new Director of Finance. This was done during Closed Session and in subsequent emails between Council and the CAO, and discussions between the Mayor and CAO. The result of that communication was that the Town entered into an agreement with Hire Standard but that was unofficial; Council can only act by bylaw or resolution.

Mayor De Vlieger returned to the meeting at 6:36 PM.

RES.235/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council authorizes the engagement of Hire Standard to assist with the search and selection of the Town's new Director of Finance, and authorizes an expenditure of approximately \$20,000 for this service to be paid for from Operating Reserves.

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F) Proposed Resolution: National Health & Fitness Day

G. Birch stated that correspondence was received from LaVar Payne, Member of Parliament, requesting that Council consider passing a resolution in support of a new national health and fitness day to enhance the health and fitness of constituents and all Canadians.

RES.236/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council accepts the correspondence from LaVar Payne, Member of Parliament, regarding the request for Council resolution support for National Health and Fitness day, for information purposes.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

G) Request for Support: FCM Women in Municipal Government Fund

G. Birch stated that correspondence was received Lac Ste. Anne County, requesting that Council consider donating \$100.00 towards the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Women in Municipal Government Fund.

RES.237/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the correspondence from Lac Ste. Anne County, regarding the request for monetary support to the FCM Women in Municipal Government Fund, for information purposes.

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H) Information For Council

RES.238/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council accepts the material received in this Agenda Item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

RES.239/2015 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council recesses for 20 minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:47 PM

The Mayor called the meeting back to Order at 7:16 PM.

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CLOSED SESSION

RES.240/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council moves to Closed Session to discuss items subject to "Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party" (FOIPP Act, Section 16), "Advice from officials" (FOIPP Act, Section 24), and "Privileged information" (FOIPP Act, Section 27).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:17 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES.241/2015 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:00 PM

RES.242/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council extends this meeting until no later than 9:30 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:01 PM

CLOSED SESSION

RES.243/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council moves back into Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:01 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES.244/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:20 PM

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OPEN SESSION – CONT'D

RES.245/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council rejects the request of L & B Construction Inc. concerning the sale of Lot 44, Block 8, Plan 0714240, and accepts the letter from Mr. Lorne Jensen concerning this item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.246/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that based on the evaluation matrix, Council awards B & A Planning Group the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw Project.

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RES.247/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the revised Town of Taber organizational structure proposed by the CAO.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES.248/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:24 PM



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