

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TABER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD IN THE MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2015, AT 5:16 PM IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SUBDIVISION AUTHORITY MEETING AND THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING 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
Busch, Barkley
Farough, Lori
Holmen, Aline
Moffatt, Tom
Munshaw, Steve
Rudd, Alf
Scherer, Gary
Wannop, Devon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor De Vlieger called the Regular Meeting of Council to Order at 5:16 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.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – CONT'D

RES.566/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council adopts the Agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

A) South Zone Health and EMS

G. Birch introduced Sean Chilton and Tony Pasich of Alberta Health Services and provided background to Council regarding the Town of Taber divesting itself of Town-operated ambulance services in 2013.

Mr. Chilton and Mr. Pasich attended the Meeting to provide a review of ambulance services in southern Alberta including response times, the new NAT van (Non-Ambulance Transfer) pilot project and general statistics.

RES.567/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council accepts the information provided by Sean Chilton and Tony Pasich regarding the activities relating to the South Zone Health and EMS, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

**A) Minutes Regular Meeting of Council:
November 23, 2015**

RES.568/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 23, 2015, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES – CONT'D

**B) Minutes Special Meeting of Council:
December 7, 2015**

RES.569/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council adopts the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on December 7, 2015, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**C) Minutes Special Meeting of Council:
December 14, 2015**

RES.570/2015 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council adopts the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on December 14, 2015, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

A) Offsite Levy Bylaw 19-2015 2nd and 3rd Reading

Council considered comments made at the Public Hearing of this Bylaw held previously this evening.

RES.571/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council gives 2nd Reading to Off-Site Levy Bylaw 19-2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

A) Offsite Levy Bylaw 19-2015 2nd and 3rd Reading – Cont'd

RES.572/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council gives 3rd and Final Reading to Off-Site Levy Bylaw 19-2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Fee Bylaw 20-2015 - Amendment to 18-2015

G. Birch reported that the Fee Bylaw is in place to consolidate all Town of Taber fees. When Fee Bylaw 18-2015 was adopted on November 23, 2015, Schedule E of the Bylaw relating to utilities rates was not adjusted from the previous year. Fee Bylaw 20-2015 includes increases to the utility fees for 2016.

RES.573/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council gives 1st Reading to Bylaw No. 20-2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.574/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council gives 2nd Reading to Bylaw No. 20-2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.575/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council unanimously consents to give 3rd and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 20-2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.576/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council gives 3rd and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 20-2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS

A) Taber Police Commission Budget

G. Birch presented the background on the Taber Police Commission Budget reviewing the Taber Police Commission attendance at a Special Meeting of Council on December 14th, 2015 following a resolution made by Council at their Special Meeting of Council on December 7, 2015 which Council resolved to reduce the Taber Municipal Police Commission 2016 Operating Budget by \$150,000.

Council expressed gratitude for the services provided by the Taber Police Service and the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

RES.577/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council rescinds its December 7, 2015 motion to reduce the Taber Municipal Police Commission's 2016 total budget by \$150,000.

DEFEATED

B) MD of Taber Council Appointments

G. Birch reviewed correspondence received from the Municipal District of Taber reporting Council Appointments, which were amended from the November 23, 2015 Meeting of Council.

RES.578/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Town Council accepts the revised recommendations from the Municipal District of Taber Council for appointments to the Town's various committees, and acknowledges the MD's appointments to the joint committees and authorities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Canadian Badlands Membership Renewal 2016

G. Birch presented the annual membership renewal invoice for the Canadian Badlands Tourism Initiative.

Mr. Birch requested Council indicate if they wish to remain a member of this tourism group before the invoice is paid.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

C) Canadian Badlands Membership Renewal 2016 – Cont'd

RES.579/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council agrees to renew the Town of Taber's membership in Canadian Badlands Ltd. for 2016 and to pay the levy of \$0.52 per capita based on a population of 8,380, for a total of \$4,357.60.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Draft Waste Services Agreement with MD of Taber and Village of Barnwell

G. Birch provided overarching information on Agenda Items 7.D), 7.E) and 7.F). He provided background on the existing waste authority whose agreement is outdated. Mr. Birch spoke about the dissolution of current assets and the establishment of a new authority.

Mr. Birch indicated a change required in the order of these three items on the Agenda. The Agenda Items should have been in the order of 7.F), 7.E) and 7.D).

MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council change item 4.1 in the draft Taber and District Agreement to allow the Town of Taber a six month release clause with the Municipal District of Taber.

WITHDRAWN

Discussion occurred about identifying MD of Taber residents providing land descriptions for use at the Taber Transfer Station.



ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

D) Draft Waste Services Agreement with MD of Taber and Village of Barnwell – Cont'd

RES.580/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council asks Administration to work with the two Town Council appointees to the current Regional Landfill Authority to improve the draft Municipal District of Taber and Village of Barnwell Waste Services Agreements, consulting with the other municipalities as necessary, and directs that a letter be written to the Municipal District of Taber and the Village of Barnwell stating the Town will continue with existing practices of accepting waste at the Town's landfill and waste transfer site until suitable inter-municipal waste management agreements are drafted and agreed upon.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E) Taber & District Regional Waste Management Authority - Financial Piece

The Mayor directed Council to move to Agenda Item 7.F) Taber and District Solid Waste Management Agreement.

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RES.581/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council agrees to enter into the Taber and District Solid Waste Management Agreement and authorizes the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the agreement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council now returned to Agenda Item 7.E).

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

**E) Taber & District Regional Waste Management Authority -
Financial Piece – Cont'd**

RES.582/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that the Town of Taber approves the Termination of Authority Agreement, with the condition that the allocations of the separate reserve accounts has been reconciled and audited by an independent, third party accounting firm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Tax Exemption - Taber Special Needs Society

D. Wannop provided detail on Agenda Items 7.G) through to 7.M) which are all related to tax exemption applications. He explained Council's responsibility as described in the Municipal Government Act in regards to these applications.

RES.583/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council grants property tax exempt status to the Taber Special Needs Society for the property at 5303 48 Ave. for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Tax Exemption -Taber Special Needs Society

RES.584/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council grants property tax exempt status to the Taber Special Needs Society for the property at 5206 47 Ave. for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

H) Tax Exemption - Taber Child Care Centre Society

RES.585/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council grants property tax exempt status to the Taber Child Care Centre Society for the property at 6008 55 ST., for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I) Tax Exemption - Safe Haven Women's Shelter Society

RES.586/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council grants property tax exempt status to the Safe Haven Women's Shelter Society for the property at 6411-56 St. for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

J) Tax Exemption - Taber Golf Club

RES.587/2015 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council grants property tax exempt status to the Taber Golf Club for the property at 4909 44 ST., with respect to Roll 3191628, for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

K) Tax Exemption - Mennonite Central Committee

RES.588/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council grants property tax exempt status to the Mennonite Central Committee for the property at 5320 49 Ave. for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

L) Tax Exemption -Taber Food Bank Society

RES.589/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council grants property tax exempt status to the Taber Food Bank Society for the property at 5512 48 Ave. for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 tax years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.590/2015 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council recess for 25 minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:50 PM

Mayor De Vlieger called the Meeting back to Order at 7:33 PM.

M) 2016 Draft Budget

G. Birch provided background on the 2016 Draft Budget and Administration's recommendation for approval.

Discussion occurred on the Trail Extension, the Water Meter Replacement Program, the Mini Excavator, the Aquafun Centre Pump Replacement Project and the Downtown Street Lights Upgrade Project.

RES.591/2015 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council approves the 2016 Operating Budget and the 2016 – 2018 Capital Budget as presented, including the transfer and/or reallocation of amounts within the operating and capital reserve accounts.

CARRIED

N) Information For Council

D. Wannop provided information on the MSI Capital Certificate Summary Report for the year 2014. He stated that funds from the 2014 MSI Capital grant were not used.



ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

N) Information For Council – Cont'd

RES.592/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the material received in this Agenda Item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

O) Department Reports

The Department Reports were presented and reviewed.

RES.593/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council accepts the Department Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

P) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

Mayor and Council reports were presented verbally.

RES.594/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

CLOSED SESSION

RES.595/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council moves into Closed Session to discuss items related to the FOIPP Act, Section 19, Confidential Evaluations and FOIPP Act 24, Advice from Officials.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:07 PM

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OPEN SESSION

RES.596/2015 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:04 PM

RES.597/2015 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council appoints Raymond Untereiner, Debbie Sargeant, Ben Koersen and Joanne Sorensen to the Town of Taber Subdivision and Development Appeal Board all for a two (2) year term to expire December 31, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.598/2015 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council approves a 1.0% increase in salaries for the Town of Taber's non-unionized employees for the year 2015, with the increase to be paid retroactively from January 1, 2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES.599/2015 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:06 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER