

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, MARCH 29, 2016, 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
Holmen, Aline
Moffatt, Tom
Munshaw, Steve
Scherer, Gary
Van Ham, Kerry
Wannop, Devon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor De Vlieger called the meeting 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.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – CONT'D

RES.160/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the Agenda as presented.

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DELEGATIONS

A) Members of the Taber Fire Department

G. Birch introduced a delegation from the Taber Fire Department including spokesmen, Chaplain C. Bos and Captain S. St. Peter. The spokesmen for the delegation detailed their concerns about the recent decision of the MD of Taber to give notice to end their participation in the current Fire Services Agreement with the Town of Taber in 2017.

RES.161/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council accepts the information provided by the Members of the Taber Fire Department regarding the notice of termination of fire service contract by the Municipal District of Taber, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A) Minutes Public Hearing Meeting of Council: March 14, 2016

RES.162/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council adopts the minutes of the Public Hearing Meeting of Council held on March 14, 2016, as presented.

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**B) Minutes Subdivision Authority Meeting:
March 14, 2016**

RES.163/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council adopts the minutes of the Subdivision Authority Meeting held on March 14, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**C) Minutes Regular Meeting of Council:
March 14, 2016**

RES.164/2016 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 14, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**D) Minutes Special Meeting of Council:
March 18, 2016**

RES.165/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council adopts the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on March 18, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

None.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

A) Update on Regional MRF Facility

C. Armfelt provided an update on the Regional Materials Recycling Facility (MRF). Mr. Armfelt reported that Administration is currently appealing for support to municipalities in Southern Alberta prior to applying for the Alberta Community Partnership Grant. Mr. Armfelt stated that Administration is recommending that Council supports the hiring of a person to gather preliminary data.

RES.166/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council supports Administration in hiring a qualified individual to gather preliminary data that will support our grant applications to fund a feasibility study for a Regional Materials Recovery Facility with \$15,000 of unallocated funds from the Planning and Development Department's employee wage budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Rail Safety Week

C. Armfelt provided information on Rail Safety Week. He indicated that the Town of Taber is in receipt of a letter from Canadian Pacific Rail requesting the Town of Taber's support in promoting Rail Safety Week April 25 – May 1, 2016.

RES.167/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that the Town of Taber proclaims national Rail Safety Week be recognized in the Town of Taber, from April 25 to May 1, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Recreation Master Plan Draft Document

A. Holmen and M. Moulard presented the Recreation Master Plan draft document. A. Holmen explained that the Recreation Board has reviewed the draft of the Recreation Master Plan and made a motion to put forth the document to Council.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

C) Recreation Master Plan Draft Document – Cont'd

RES.168/2016 That Council adopts the Recreation Master Plan as presented and directs Administration to prepare the document for distribution.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Downtown Street Light Replacement

G. Birch provided information on the Downtown Street Light Replacement proposal. Mr. Birch stated that during 2016 budget deliberations, Council considered a proposal to replace the downtown cobra-head style streetlights with decorative LED lights that would match the new lights used on the corners where downtown beautification has already occurred.

RES.169/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council does not approve FORTIS Alberta's proposal to replace cobra style streetlights with decorative LED lights.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E) Energy Conservation Committee Community Centre Cobra Lights Replacement

G. Birch provided background on the Energy Conservation Committee Community Centre Cobra Lights Replacement. Mr. Birch stated that the Town of Taber receives annual franchise fees from ATCO Gas and Fortis Alberta, and has thereby assigned 7.5% of that annual fee revenue to be put towards the reduction of energy consumption in Town owned buildings.

Council discussed the Committee's proposal to replace existing lights at Town owned facilities.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

E) Energy Conservation Committee Community Centre Cobra Lights Replacement – Cont'd

RES.170/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council approves the request to spend approximately \$6,660.00 to replace the existing Town-owned Community Centre cobra lights with LED lights.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Highway 3 Twinning Development Association

Mayor De Vlieger provided background information on the Highway 3 Twinning Development Association. The Mayor reported that the requested membership fee is an impermanent fee and that the strategy is to gather evidence from the municipalities along Highway 3 on the importance of safety for this highway in these communities. Mayor De Vlieger stated that this associatio will work closely with Alberta Transportation and the Government of Alberta to have these issues recognized.

RES.171/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council agrees to contribute membership fees to the Highway 3 Twinning Development Association at the contribution rate of \$0.25 per capita beginning in 2016, and funds this \$2,145.00 expenditure from Operating Reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Information For Council

G. Birch presented details on various correspondence from the MD of Taber and the Taber Public Library as well as information requested from Council regarding Health and Safety Policy C-4 from the March 14, 2016 Meeting of Council.

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G) Information For Council – Cont'd

RES.172/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council accepts the material received in this Agenda Item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H) Department Reports

Council reviewed the Department Reports as submitted.

RES.173/2016 MOVED by Council Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the Department Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

The Mayor and Councillors provided their reports verbally.

RES.174/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz That Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

RES.175/2016 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council recesses for 20 minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:39 PM

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CLOSED SESSION

RES.176/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council moves into Closed Session to discuss matters related to FOIPP Act, Section 16; Disclosure harmful to business interest of a third party, FOIPP Act, Section 21, Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations, and FOIPP Act, Section 24; Advice from Officials.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:52 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES.177/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:23 PM

RES.178/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council accepts Administration's calculations of the Eureka Industrial Park development costs as information and directs Administration to use a base sale price of \$185,000/acre (highway) and \$172,000/acre (interior) with a two year building commitment, with other combinations being possible based on Council's desire to recover costs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.179/2016 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that the Town of Taber rejects all tenders for the trail extension from the western edge of 80th Avenue to the boundary of Town property, east of the Municipal District of Taber Park on the basis that they exceed budget allocations, and directs Administration to undertake the trail construction using internal resources, hiring additional casual staff and purchasing resources as necessary.

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OPEN SESSION – CONT'D

RES.180/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council affirms Council's Resolution 101/2016 regarding the sign owned by 1904098 Alberta Ltd. and, if necessary, require the sign and concrete base to be removed within 90 days of written notice.

CARRIED

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES.181/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:28 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER