

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, JUNE 13, 2016, AT 5:24 PM IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT STARTED AT 5:00 PM.

Mayor

De Vlieger, Henk

Councillors

Popadynetz, Rick

Prokop, Andrew

Ross-Giroux, Laura

Sparks, Randy

Strojwas, Joe

Absent

Brewin, Jack

Chief Administrative Officer

Birch, Greg

Staff

Armfelt, Cory

Busch, Barkley

Farough, Lori

Holmen, Aline

Scherer, Gary

Wannop, Devon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor De Vlieger called the meeting to order at 5:24 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.301/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council accepts the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

A) Delegation: Taber Irrigation District

G. Birch introduced Chris Gallagher from the Taber Irrigation District.

Mr. Gallagher provided a presentation on Taber Irrigation District Water Quality. Mr. Gallagher stated that part of the TID strategic plan is to provide the best possible quality of water to its customers, including the Town of Taber.

RES.302/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the information provided by the Taber Irrigation District (TID), for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A) Minutes, Regular Meeting of May 24, 2016

RES.303/2016 That Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 24, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

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BYLAWS

A) Proposed Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 7-2016 2nd Reading

Council discussed the proposed Municipal Development Plan and its adopting Bylaw 7-2016 and information provided at the Public Hearing.

RES.304/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz That Council gives 2nd Reading to Bylaw 7-2016, a bylaw to adopt the Municipal Development Plan, with the Plan being amended by the following changes:

Section 3.6.4 (b): The approved Northwest Area Structure Plan shall be rescinded and an updated Area Structure Plan prepared for lands within the northwest Residential Area prior to the subdivision and development of those lands. An Area Structure Plan shall address the proposed land use and transportation systems, utility servicing, phasing, irrigation, existing easements and right-of-ways, municipal reserve and open spaces including a range of parks types and sizes.

Section 3.8.2 Industrial Policies the addition of:
m) Low Impact Development (LID) techniques are encouraged. New developments in the Industrial Area should minimize development of impermeable hard surfaces such as driveways. New stormwater management facilities shall consider the use of low impact development techniques and bioswales.

Section 3.9.2 Policies the addition of:

l) Taber Irrigation District irrigation water should be used prior to the use of treated water when irrigating parks or for make-up water in storm ponds.

m) The Trout Pond west of Taber (on Town owned land in the Municipal District of Taber) will be a focus as a recreational development node.

BYLAWS – CONT'D

A) Proposed Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 7-2016 2nd Reading – Cont'd

n) The Town should integrate protected easements and right-of-ways where they exist into parks and green spaces whenever possible.

o) Priorities outlined in the Recreation Master Plan should be considered when planning for new recreation and open space opportunities.

Section 4.1.2 Policies the addition of:

f) Minimize conflicts with existing Taber Irrigation District easements and right-of-ways.

Section 4.2.2 Policies

g) Development in all areas should only be approved in conformity with the infrastructure recommendations contained in the Town of Taber Stormwater Master Plan (MPE Engineering, August 2015).

k) The Town will pursue measures to ensure retention, treatment, and controlled release of stormwater entering Taber Lake.

All maps are to be amended to include the following:

- Taber Irrigation District easements and right-of-ways
- 69th Avenue and the industrial intersection at highway 36

Map 3 will be amended by the following:

- Parcels currently designated as residential along 62nd Avenue between 50th and 56th Street will remain residential, as per the current Land Use Bylaw

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

A) Proposed Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 7-2016 2nd Reading – Cont'd

- Parcels designated residential on Map 3 south of 64th Avenue and east of 50th Street will retain their industrial designation as per the current Land Use Bylaw.

All references to the Arts Council of Taber will be removed.

On Page 34, the photo reference to Roger's Sugar will be amended to reflect the name of Lantic Inc.

Appendix B Section 1.3 shall be amended to reflect the removal of Eureka Industrial Park Area Structure Plan (1994) from the list.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Proposed Land Use Bylaw 6-2016 2nd Reading

Council discussed proposed Land Use Bylaw 6-2016 detailed earlier today at the Public Hearing.

RES.305/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council passes 2nd Reading of Land Use Bylaw 6-2016 as amended by the following changes:

Section 1.2.1 the addition of the following definitions:

- Food Truck means a motor vehicle, set up on a temporary basis, from which prepared food and beverages are offered for sale to the public for consumption. This shall not include catering services delivering food.

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

B) Proposed Land Use Bylaw 6-2016 2nd Reading – Cont'd

- Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WESC) means the complete system required to convert wind energy into mechanical or electrical energy.
- Solar Energy Collector Systems (SECS) means the complete system required to convert solar rays into useable electricity for private use, including solar panels, mounting equipment and additional required conversion electronics.

Section 2.6.4(2) the removal of “full motion video, animation or” to read as Digital Media content must not include flashing images. In case of an electronic message board, the text may scroll at a pace deemed acceptable to the Development Authority.

Section 2.6.16(2) the removal of: (d) Portable Signs may not contain Digital Media or be fitted with any flasher, animation or revolving beacon, and all letter points should be updated to reflect the deletion of part (d).

Section 2.6.16(2) (e) changed to (d) A Portable Sign must be at least 45 m from a Residential District, 45 m from any other portable sign, and at least 0.6 m from a property line.

Section 2.6.16(2) (i) changed to (h) A development permit application for a portable sign to be located on Town-owned land:

- i. Shall only be considered by the MPC if a lease or license has been previously approved by Council.

BYLAWS – CONT'D

B) Proposed Land Use Bylaw 6-2016 2nd Reading – Cont'd

- ii. May be approved in any Land Use District.

Section 2.6.16(2) (o) changed to (n) A portable sign on private land that is for a community event and will be removed within 14 days of its placement shall:

- i. Require a development permit,
- ii. Not require the submission of a fee for that permit, and
- iii. Be approvable by a Development Officer.

The addition of Food Trucks to Part 3.1 Accessory Uses and the updating of numbering in Part 3.1 to reflect the addition.

3.1.x Food Trucks

- (1) Food Trucks shall only be permitted in the Downtown and Central Commercial Districts as per this Land Use Bylaw.
- (2) Upon passing this bylaw, all existing and forthcoming food trucks will require a development permit.
- (3) Food trucks shall not be located on Town-owned property without prior written consent from the Chief Administrative Officer based on conditions under a duly executed Development Permit.
- (4) Food Trucks shall not be located where they create a hazard to the public as determined by a Development Officer, Bylaw Officer, Law Enforcement Officer, or the Director of Planning and Economic Development.

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

B) Proposed Land Use Bylaw 6-2016 2nd Reading – Cont'd

Section 3.1.2(5)(a) changed to: 0.6 m from exterior side wall or rear property line not shared with a street if the Accessory Use has less than a 10.0 m² gross floor area;

Section 4.8.2(4) the addition of: Food Trucks.

Section 4.9.2(4) the addition of: Food Trucks.

Section 4.12.1 changed to: The district provides for the existing food processing plant (sugar plant), which is considered to be a high impact industrial use within the Town with nuisance factors that have the potential to extend beyond the boundaries of the site. Other similar industrial facilities will also be contemplated under this district.

Section 4.12.2 (4) the addition of: Wind Energy Conversion Systems and Solar Energy Conversion Systems.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Fee Bylaw 12-2016 - Amendment to 18-2015

G. Birch provided information on Proposed Bylaw 12-2016 amending Bylaw 18-2015. Mr. Birch described this as returning after Council's directions regarding fees for the new stage.

RES.306/2016 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council gives 1st Reading to Fee Bylaw 12-2016, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.307/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council gives 2nd Reading to Fee Bylaw 12-2016, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

C) Draft Bylaw 13-2016 - Correction to Traffic Control Bylaw

G. Birch provided details on draft Bylaw 13-2016, stating that there was an error in the maximum weight description specified for trucks when Bylaw 11-2016 was passed. This creates the need to rescind Bylaw 11-2016 and adopt Bylaw 13-2016.

Mr. Birch stated that Bylaw 11-2016 will be rescinded in the wording of Bylaw 13-2016.

RES.307/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council gives First Reading to Bylaw 13-2016, a bylaw to correct the maximum weight description established for heavy vehicles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.308/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council gives Second Reading to Bylaw 13-2016, a bylaw to correct the maximum weight description established for heavy vehicles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.309/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council gives unanimous consent to proceed to Third Reading of Bylaw 13-2016, a bylaw to correct the maximum weight description established for heavy vehicles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.310/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council gives Third Reading to Bylaw 13-2016, a bylaw to correct the maximum weight description established for heavy vehicles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



ACTION ITEMS

A) New Development Officer Designation

C. Armfelt explained that the appointment of the Development Officer is a Council function and that this position regulates Council's Land Use Bylaw document. Mr. Armfelt recommended that G. Noble be appointed Development Officer.

RES.311/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council hereby appoints Grace Noble as a Development Officer for the Town of Taber.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Medium Density Incentive

C. Armfelt provided background on medium density incentives practiced in the Southern Alberta area. Mr. Armfelt stated that Council had requested administration do research with other municipalities. Mr. Armfelt recommended that Council passes a resolution that treats all developers equitably.

RES.312/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council directs Administration to implement a Medium Density Incentive to encourage growth in medium density/affordable housing and presents it to Council at its Regular Meeting of June 27, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Subdivision Extension

G. Armfelt provided information on the request for Subdivision extension received by the Town of Taber. Mr. Armfelt explained that circumstances regarding this subdivision have been affected by a change in ownership and by challenges with servicing the lot. Mr. Armfelt reported that the Municipal Government Act, Section 657(1) (6) states that Council may extend the one-year period referred to in subsection (5), whether or not the time period under those subsections has expired.



ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

C) Subdivision Extension – Cont'd

RES.313/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council approves the extension of subdivision permit TT12-0-004 for a one year period from June 13, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Potable Water Distribution Master Plan

G. Birch provided details about the Potable Water Distribution Master Plan stating that the Town of Taber has an objective of creating a system of master plans to improve its infrastructure replacement program.

Mayor De Vlieger left the meeting at 6:44 PM and turned the meeting over to Deputy Mayor Popadynetz.

G. Scherer introduced M. Harker of MPE Engineering who provided a review of the Potable Water Distribution Master Plan.

Mayor De Vlieger returned to the meeting at 6:46 PM and assumed the Chair.

Council discussed the attributes of the Town of Taber having a system of master plans.

RES.314/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council accepts the Potable Water Distribution Master Plan presentation as a final report, and directs Administration to submit it to Alberta Environment for their information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.315/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council recesses for 25 minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:05 PM

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

Mayor De Vlieger called the Meeting back to Order at 7:39 PM.

E) EPCOR Operations Agreement Proposal

G. Birch presented background on the EPCOR Operations agreement proposal. Mr. Birch stated that Town Council has been meeting with EPCOR representatives since November 9, 2015. He described options available to Council regarding the EPCOR Operations agreement.

G. Scherer who provided further background on the history with the Town of Taber and EPCOR Operations relationship.

Administration recommended the Town of Taber conduct a study to verify and substantiate numbers and determine the best options for the Town.

RES.316/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council:

a) directs administration to evaluate the three options available to the Town of Taber for future operation and maintenance of the Town's water, wastewater and storm sewer systems given EPCOR's request that annual fees be dramatically increased if EPCOR is to continue to provide service;

and,

b) directs administration to contract MPE Engineering for the development of a water and wastewater operation study to help with this evaluation, with an upset cost of \$17,500 funded from Operating Reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

F) Residential Solid Waste, Recycling and Organics Update

G. Scherer presented an update on Taber's residential solid waste, recycling and organics program. Mr. Scherer stated that he was cautiously optimistic about the progress of this new program in that the data reflected only a month's activity, but that there has been a significant diversion of waste into the composting stream and an increase in recycling as a result of the new cart program.

Mr. Scherer reported that education is still a high priority and that this new program intends to be visible at the Taber Cornfest event.

Council discussed the success of the solid waste, recycling and organics program to date.

RES.317/2016 MOVED by Councillor Prokop that Council accepts this report on solid waste, recycling and organics for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Windscreen Fencing for the Recycling Drop Off Area

G. Scherer described the need for windscreen fencing for the recycling drop off area located between the Taber Police Service and the Taber Home Hardware property due to westerly winds.

RES.318/206 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council approve Windscreen Fencing to be install for the amount of \$6500 with funds to be included in the 2017 Budget planning.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

**G) Windscreen Fencing for the Recycling Drop Off Area –
Cont'd**

RES.319/2016 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council approve Windscreen Fencing to be installed at the recycling drop off area located between the Taber Police Service and the Taber Home Hardware for the amount of \$6500 with funds to come from the 2016 capital reserves.

CARRIED

**H) Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Grant
Matching for Auditorium Upgrades**

G. Birch provided details on the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Grant, explaining that this is a matching grant planned for auditorium upgrades.

RES.320/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council approves an application for the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program grant for the auditorium renovations and agrees to allocate matching funds for the grant application if the grant is awarded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**I) Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Grant
Matching: Arena Ice Plant**

G. Birch provided details on the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Grant, explaining that this is a matching grant planned for arena ice plant upgrades.



ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

**I) Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Grant
Matching: Arena Ice Plant – Cont'd**

RES.321/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz That Council approves an application for the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program grant for the arena ice plant renovations and agrees to allocate matching funds for the grant application if the grant is awarded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

J) Fire Service - Act and Training Levels Proposal

G. Birch presented background on the recommendation from the Alberta Fire Chiefs Association and the Town's Municipal Emergency Management Committee regarding a Fire Services Act for the Province of Alberta and standardized training levels throughout the province.

Council discussed the huge range of services available to respond to major motor vehicle accident or fire events in the province.

MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council directs a letter be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Hon. Danielle Larivee, stating that it endorses the resolutions of the Alberta Fire Chief Association requesting that the Alberta Government establish a provincial fire act and minimum training standards for municipal fire services, and that this letter be copied to AUMA and AAMD&C and that Administration undertake to put this proposal to the AUMA as soon as possible.

Councillor Ross-Giroux offered a friendly amendment that Council gather support for this resolution from other municipalities.

Councillor Popadynetz declined the friendly amendment.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

J) Fire Service - Act and Training Levels Proposal – Cont'd

RES.322/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council directs a letter be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Hon. Danielle Larivee, stating that it endorses the resolutions of the Alberta Fire Chief Association requesting that the Alberta Government establish a provincial fire act and minimum training standards for municipal fire services, and that this letter be copied to AUMA and AAMD&C and that Administration undertake to put this proposal to the AUMA as soon as possible.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

K) Travel and Subsistence Policy and Procedure revisions

G. Birch detailed the Travel and Subsistence Policy and Procedure revisions stating that Council had requested this following a conversation with MPE Engineering about its reimbursement rates.

B. Busch described the proposed amendments, stating that this adjustment will bring the Town of Taber back to where it was prior to the last change. Mr. Busch stated that Administration is recommending this change.

RES.323/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council approves the revised Travel and Subsistence Policy CS-HR-1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

L) Standing Item - Council Requests

G. Birch described this agenda item as an opportunity for Council to bring up topics of interest for information or for decision making to the Council group.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

L) Standing Item - Council Requests – Cont'd

Councillor Sparks recommended that information be brought forward prior to the agenda setting meeting and should be provided as background to the Council agenda and therefore Councillors bringing items forward would adhere to the Tuesday before Council meeting deadline.

Council discussed the best approach to upgrading the boulevard north of 50th Avenue and south of the Westview Estates subdivision, a presentation for the 35th anniversary of the Alberta-Japan Twinned Municipalities and information received regarding pharmacy provisions for the residents of Linden View in Taber.

Councillor Strojwas declared a pecuniary interest regarding the pharmacy matter and left the meeting at 8:33 PM.

Further discussion took place regarding pharmacy providers for residents of Linden View.

RES.324/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council directs Administration to send a letter to the MLA, the Minister of Health and copy the Good Samaritans supporting keeping residents of personal care facilities under the care of local pharmacists.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Strojwas returned to the meeting at 8:39 PM.

MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council directs Administration to hire a local landscaper to undertake the project of the 50th Avenue landscaping.

WITHDRAWN

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

L) Standing Item - Council Requests – Cont'd

RES.325/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that Council directs Administration to enlist the volunteer services of the Communities in Bloom organization for the design and planning of the landscaping for the boulevard north of 50th Avenue and south of Westview Estates, and when complete consider hiring a local landscaping firm to conduct the final landscaping for that area.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M) Information for Council

G. Birch provided Council with the information for Council speaking about correspondence received from the Oldman Watershed Commission, the Notice of a Public Hearing from the MD of Taber, Correspondence from Alberta Seniors and Housing, and the minutes from the Highway #3 Twinning Development Association.

G. Scherer presented details on the changes in safety codes regulations that require changes to the electrical services for events like Cornfest. Council discussed ownership of power sources for Cornfest.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES

T. Busch of the Taber Times inquired if there were any updates on the status of T. Moffatt.

G. Birch responded that Mr. Moffatt had returned to work with the Town of Taber and that this was now considered a confidential employment matter.

T. Busch inquired if Council had any comment and Mayor De Vlieger responded that they had no comment.

RES.326/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council extends the meeting time to 9:30 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:58 PM

CLOSED SESSION

RES.327/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council moves to Closed Session to discuss matters related to FOIPP Act, Section 16: Disclosure Harmful to Business Interests of a Third Party, and FOIPP Act, Section 24: Advice From Officials.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:59 PM

OPEN SESSION

Councillor Sparks left the meeting during Closed Session and did not return.

RES.327/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:47 PM

RES.328/2016 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council amends its previous Resolution 266/2016 regarding South Alta Trading Co. Ltd.'s proposal to trade two lots, legally described as, Block X, Plan 5440AQ, and Lot 1, Block 17, Plan 0414376 with an approximate 33 acre portion of land owned by the Town of Taber, legally described as Block A1, Plan 7819AQ, subject to the following:

1. A restrictive covenant be registered on title prohibiting the further subdivision of this parcel for seven (7) years, removable only by the Town of Taber,



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2. An environmental report is completed by a consultant of the Town's choosing at the expense of South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. and any remediation required on either Block X, Plan 5440AQ or Lot 1, Block 17, Plan 0414376 is to be completed by South Alta Trading Co. at its own expense, such that it can be clearly demonstrated that there are no environmental concerns with the South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. properties prior to the trade.

3. Construction of a proposed salvage yard at Block A1, Plan 7819AQ must be undertaken based on current industry best management practices,

4. Buffering around any future salvage yard on Block A1, Plan 7819AQ must be completed and be included as part of the future development planning for the parcel.

5. South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. will connect 56th street to its development area and will utilize this access for the primary egress to the proposed future salvage yard or any other similar development. Additionally, any lots sold along this road will pay a frontage fee based on the proportionate cost of construction by South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. as recovery for South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. fronting the costs for said road construction,

6. South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. will be responsible for the cost of all improvements of roads built within its 33 acre parcel.

7. South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. will be responsible for mitigating the concerns of Lantic Inc. due to the development of this parcel given the fact that Lantic Inc.'s effluent line runs through this parcel,

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OPEN SESSION – CONT'D

8. The Town of Taber will retain water rights located on Block A1, Plan 7819AQ subsequent to the sale, but will lease these water rights back to South Alta Trading Co. Ltd. for a period of seven (7) years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

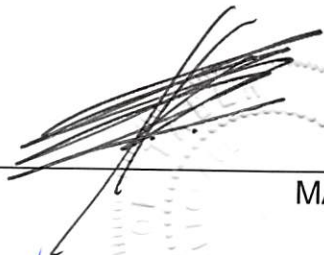
RES.329/2016 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council approves a media release regarding the search for a new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to replace the current CAO when his contract expires in September 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY


CLOSE OF MEETING

RES.330/2016 MOVED by Councillor Popadynetz that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:50 PM



MAYOR



(Acting) CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

