

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 APRIL 24, 2017, AT 5:00 PM.

Mayor

De Vlieger, Henk

Councillors

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

Absent

Popadynetz, Rick

Chief Administrative Officer

Armfelt, Cory

Staff

Brennan, Meghan
Cote, Nathan
Holmen, Aline
Malcolm, Andrew
Scherer, Gary
Schlamp, Kattie
Van Ham, Kerry
Weiss, Donna

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor De Vlieger called the meeting to Order at 5:00 PM.

Mayor De Vlieger announced his resignation as Mayor of the Town of Taber effective immediately, he described the details of a written statement with his reasons for resignation, and turned the meeting over to Deputy Mayor Prokop.

Mr. De Vlieger left the meeting at 5:03 PM.

Deputy Mayor Prokop assumed the duties of chair for the meeting.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Prokop inquired if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda.

C. Armfelt requested an addition of FOIPP Act, Section 24: Advice from Officials to Closed Session as Agenda Item 9.G).

RES. 156/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council adopts the Agenda, as amended, to include Closed Session Agenda Item 9.G) FOIPP, Act, Section 24: Advice from Officials.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: April 10, 2017

RES. 157/2017 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 10, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

A) Delegation: The Honourable Martin Shields, Member of Parliament

C. Armfelt introduced Honourable Martin Shields, Member of Parliament for the newly created Bow River riding, to Council.

Honourable Martin Shields, MP, presented information on topics of interest to the municipality.

Council discussed the information provided by The Honourable Martin Shields.

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DELEGATIONS – CONT'D

A) Delegation: The Honourable Martin Shields, Member of Parliament – CONT'D

RES. 158/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council accepts the information provided by The Honourable Martin Shields, Member of Parliament, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Performing Arts Centre Committee Feasibility and Viability Study Request for Funding

C. Armfelt introduced D. Emek, Chair of the Performing Arts Centre Committee.

D. Emek presented the committees proposal for a full feasibility and viability study to be done, and presented information on different grant opportunities that could be available for future developments of the project.

Council discussed the information provided and the financial implications associated with this project.

RES. 159/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council approves the request from the Performing Arts Centre Committee to authorize a feasibility/viability study for the proposed performing arts centre in Taber and fund it up to a maximum of \$40,000.00 from General Operating Reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

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BYLAWS

A) Proposed Property Tax Bylaw 2-2017

C. Armfelt presented information in the budgeting process, setting the tax rate, and growth and appraised values in a municipality.

D. Weiss presented the differences in the tax rates presented and the associated calculations.

Council discussed the Proposed Property Tax Bylaw 2-2017.

MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council defers the passing of Proposed Bylaw 2-2017 until the end of May.

Councillor Strojwas suggested a friendly amendment to change the date to the first Regular Meeting of Council in May.

Councillor Ross-Giroux accepted the friendly amendment.

Councillor Sparks recommend waiting until a new Director of Finance is hired to give them time to review this item and present a recommendation to Council.

Councillor Strojwas withdrew his friendly amendment.

RES. 160/2017 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council defers the passing of Proposed Bylaw 2-2017 until the end of May.

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BYLAWS – CONT'D

**B) Bylaw 5-2017 First Reading
Road Closure 16-02**

C. Armfelt introduced A. Malcolm, Director of Planning and Economic Development, and K. Schlamp, Economic Development Officer, who presented Proposed Road Closure Bylaw 5-2017 to Council.

RES. 161/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council passes the First Reading of Bylaw 5-2017 to close:

That Portion of Unnamed Street on
Plan 7849AQ Municipally known as 63rd Street
Contained within Lot 50, Block 1, Plan 171____
Containing 0.018ha (0.044 acres) more or less
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals
Contained within the Town of Taber.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**C) Bylaw 4-2017 First Reading
Land Use Bylaw Amendments**

A. Malcolm presented Bylaw 4-2017, Land Use Bylaw Amendments.

RES. 162/2017 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council gives First Reading to Bylaw 4-2017, and that Council holds a Public Hearing on May 8, 2017 for Bylaw 4-2017.

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ACTION ITEMS

A) Facebook Engagement Analytics

M. Brennan, Communications and Projects Co-ordinator, presented the 2015 and 2016 Facebook analytics for the Town of Taber official Facebook page.

RES. 163/2017 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the 2015 and 2016 Facebook Analytics for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin (PFSRB)

RES. 164/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council accepts the correspondence from the Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Proposed Proclamation: Communities in Bloom Week

C. Armfelt introduced J. Holman, President of Taber Communities in Bloom.

RES. 165/2017 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council accepts the correspondence from Communities in Bloom, regarding the request for Council proclamation of support for Communities in Bloom Week May 1 through May 7, 2017, for information purposes.

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C) Proposed Proclamation: Communities in Bloom Week – CONT'D

RES. 166/2017 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council proclaims the week of May 1 through May 7, 2017, as Communities in Bloom Week within the Town of Taber.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Regional Animal Facility Partnering Request: MD of Taber

Council discussed the letter received by the Municipal District of Taber to garner consideration of a regional animal facility.

RES. 167/2017 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the request from the MD of Taber for consideration of a regional animal facility, for information purposes, and directs Administration to plan to meet as a region of communities to discuss.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**E) High Intensity Residential Fires (HIRF) Mitigation
Moving the Fire Department**

C. Armfelt introduced Nathan Cote, Deputy Fire Chief, of the Taber Fire Department.

C. Armfelt presented the HIRF Report to Council and further explained the recommended motion from Administration and the alternatives.

Council discussed the associated costs and the associated impacts that could positively or negatively impact the Town of Taber by moving the Fire Department to a more central location and locating the Parks Department within the current Fire Hall.

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**E) High Intensity Residential Fires (HIRF) Mitigation
Moving the Fire Department – CONT'D**

RES. 168/2017 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council accepts the report from the HIRF Committee and directs Administration to examine the benefit of locating the Parks Department within the current Fire Hall and evaluate the asset management and efficient Land Use/Growth perspectives related to a possible Fire Hall relocation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Department Reports

RES. 169/2017 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council accepts the Department Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Taber Municipal Police Commission Report to Council

RES. 170/2017 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the Taber Municipal Police Commission Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

RES. 171/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor Reports for information.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

I) Standing Item - Council Requests

Councillor Sparks requested that the Community Standards Bylaw be amended to reflect the passing of marijuana legislation in 2018 by the Federal government.

MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council directs Administration, and the Taber Municipal Police Commission, to review current Bylaws, policies, and procedures, as well as review the funding for required resources for the passing of marijuana legislation in 2018.

Council discussed a suggested friendly amendment to detail Chief Abela instead of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

Councillor Strojwas accepted the friendly amendment.

RES. 172/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council requests Administration, and Chief Abela, to review current Bylaws, polices, and procedures, as well as review the funding for required resources for the passing of marijuana legislation in 2018.

RES. 172/2017
Rescinded on
May 8, 2017 by
RES. 198/2017

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MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

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CLOSED SESSION

RES. 173/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council moves into Closed Session to discuss matters subject to FOIPP Act, Section 19: Confidential Evaluations, Section 21: Disclosure Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations, and Section 24: Advice from Officials.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:31 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES. 174/2017 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:40 AM

RES 175/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council authorizes the lease renewal of parts of the facility and equipment located in the Community Centre known as the Large Ice Area Boards, the South Wall, the Large Ice Surface, and the Ice Resurfacers Sides, to Taber Minor Hockey Association for further lease to local businesses for a set rate for advertising and a means to raise funds for the Association, for a 5 year term to expire March 31, 2022 and directs the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the lease renewal documents

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 176/2017 MOVED by Councillor Ross-Giroux that Council accepts the resignation of Mr. Tyrel McLelland from the Taber Municipal Police Commission, with regret and that Council thanks Mr. McLelland for his numerous contributions to the Taber Municipal Police Commission during his tenure on the Commission.

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OPEN SESSION – CONT'D

RES. 177/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council appoints Rene Angermeier to the Taber Recreation Board for a 3 year term to expire December 31, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 178/2017 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that Council appoints Mandy Wojtowicz to the Performing Arts Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 179/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council:

1. Directs Administration to continue discussions with Alberta Health Services about the purchase of the Barons-Eureka-Warner building, located at 5009 56 Street,
and;
2. Engages potential tenants, Family and Community Support Services and Taber Adult Learning, about their financial capabilities to rent the building from the Town of Taber,
and;
3. Engages a firm to complete a Town appraisal to the building.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 180/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:43 PM



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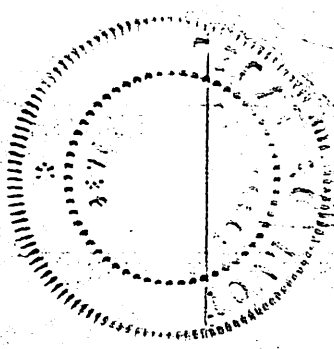
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