

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, NOVEMBER 14, 2017, AT 5:00 PM.

Mayor

Prokop, Andrew

Councillors

Bekkering, Garth

Brewin, Jack

Firth, Carly

Garner, Mark

Strojwas, Joe

Tams, Louie

Chief Administrative Officer

Armfelt, Cory

Staff

Abdel Khaliq, Alaa

Brennan, Meghan

Holmen, Aline

Malcolm, Andrew

Munshaw, Steve

Orwa, John

Scherer, Gary

Smith, Trent

Van Ham, Kerry

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Prokop called the meeting to Order at 5:00 PM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Prokop requested the addition of Agenda Item 9.D) Board Appointment to Closed Session to prevent disclosure of applicant personal information that is evaluative for the purpose of determining the applicant's suitability, in accordance with Section 19(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – CONT'D

RES. 462/2017 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council adopts the Agenda, as amended, to include Closed Session Agenda Item 9.D) Board Appointment to Closed Session, to prevent disclosure of applicant personal information that is evaluative for the purpose of determining the applicants suitability, in accordance with Section 19(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

A) Recognition of Service of Previous Council Members

Mayor Prokop presented former Councillor Laura Ross-Giroux with a plaque in honour of her years of service on Council.

Mayor Prokop stated that former Councillor Randy Sparks and former Councillor Rick Popadynetz were not in attendance, but recognized their years of service on Council.

Council made no motion at this time.

B) Delegation: Community Grant Program Application: Japan Exchange 2018 Zumbathon Charity Event

C. Armfelt introduced C. Robbins, Fundraising Organizer, representing the organization of Japan Exchange 2018.

C. Robbins stated that the Japanese Exchange 2018 Zumbathon Charity Event took place on September 29th, 2017, to help raise funds to offset the cost for a group of grade 7 and 8 students to travel to Japan in June 2018. She stated that the organization is requesting Council consider funding the facility rental, through their application to the Community Grant Program under the Council Discretionary Fund.

Council discussed the Community Grant Application and the Zumbathon Charity Event.

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DELEGATIONS – CONT'D

B) Delegation: Community Grant Program Application: Japan Exchange 2018 Zumbathon Charity Event – CONT'D

RES. 463/2017 MOVED by Councillor Garner that Council approves the Community Grant Program application for the purpose of the Japan Exchange 2018 Zumbathon Charity Event, in the amount of \$103.50, inclusive of GST.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Former Councillor Rick Popadynetz arrived at the meeting at 5:10 PM.

Mayor Prokop returned to Agenda Item 3.A) Recognition of Service of Previous Council Members.

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C) Concerned Taber Citizens Regarding Potential Fire Hall Location

C. Armfelt introduced T. Ginther, representative of a group of concerned citizens regarding a potential Fire Hall location.

T. Ginther presented the group's concerns, along with a copy of a executed petition, currently signed by 243 Taber residents. He inquired about Council's intention to build the new Fire Hall between 48 Street and 49 Street, south of Dr. Hamman Elementry School and east of St. Patrick's Elementry School, the timeframe of the public consultation, infrastructure of the surrounding area, and the potential loss of green space within the Town.

Council discussed the petition, the information and inquires made by T. Ginther.

DELEGATIONS – CONT'D

C) Concerned Taber Citizens Regarding Potential Fire Hall Location – CONT'D

RES. 464/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council receives the delegation of concerned citizens regarding the potential Fire Hall location, for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Delegation: Community Grant Program Application: Taber & District Chamber of Commerce Midnight Madness Free Fun Swim

C. Armfelt introduced Rick Popadynetz, President of Taber & District Chamber of Commerce.

R. Popadynetz stated that the Chamber has planned a Midnight Madness Free Fun Swim Event, and is requesting Council to consider funding a third of the estimated cost to rent the facility from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM through the Community Grant Fund under the Council Discretionary Fund. He stated that other proposed sponsor partners are the Municipal District of Taber and North and Company LLP.

Council discussed the Community Grant Application.

RES. 465/2017 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council approves the Community Grant Program application for the purpose of facility waiver for the Taber & District Chamber of Commerce Midnight Madness Free Fun Swim Event, in the amount of \$272.50, inclusive of GST.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A) Minutes of Organizational Meeting of Council: October 23, 2017

RES. 466/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council adopts the minutes of the Organizational Meeting of Council held on October 23, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: October 23, 2017

RES. 467/2017 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 23, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Minutes of Special Meeting of Council: October 30, 2017

RES. 468/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council adopts the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on October 30, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

A) Council Participation on Committees Joint Economic Development Committee

C. Armfelt stated that at Council's Organizational Meeting held on October 23, 2017, Council appointed two Councillors to the Joint Economic Development Committee, while leaving the alternate member unannounced. He stated that historically Council has appointed an alternate member if one of the two original members cannot attend.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – CONT'D

**A) Council Participation on Committees
Joint Economic Development Committee – CONT'D**

RES. 469/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council appoints Councillor Jack Brewin as an alternate member of the Joint Economic Development Committee, joining Councillor Tams and Councillor Firth.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Council Participation on Committees: Municipal Emergency Management Committee

C. Armfelt stated that at Council's Organizational Meeting held on October 23, 2017, Council appointed two Councillors to Municipal Emergency Management Committee, while also listing Mayor Prokop as the alternate. He stated that in accordance with the Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw 4-2011, Section 3.3, Council shall appoint three members to service on the Committee.

RES. 470/2017 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council appoints Councillor Garth Bekkering as a member of the Municipal Emergency Management Committee, joining Councillor Brewin, Councillor Strojwas, and Mayor Prokop as alternate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

A) Mutual Aid Agreement Review

Fire Chief S. Munshaw presented the Mutual Aid Agreement Review.

Council discussed fire department responses, billing, Resource Sharing Agreements, the Intermunicipal Development Committee and the Municipal Emergency Management Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council uses the members of the Intermunicipal Development Committee to discuss the opportunities around the fire department responses and billing.

Councillor Strojwas requested a friendly amendment to include the Municipal Emergency Management Committee in the motion.

Councillor Bekkering accepted the friendly amendment.

RES. 471/2017 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council uses the members of the Intermunicipal Development Committee and Municipal Emergency Management Committee to discuss the opportunities around the fire department responses and billing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) RFP Award for a Wheel Loader

G. Scherer, Director of Engineering and Public Works, presented the Wheel Loader Request for Purchase (RFP) tenders received and the evaluation criteria.

Council discussed the function of the Wheel Loader, and the information supplied on the RFP Summary.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

B) RFP Award for a Wheel Loader – CONT'D

RES. 472/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council awards the Request for Purchase (RFP) for a new Wheel Loader to Rocky Mountain Equipment with the amount not to exceed \$168,232.00, exclusive of GST.

CARRIED

C) Highway 3 Twinning Planning Study Update

A. Malcolm, Director of Planning and Economic Development, presented an update on the Province of Alberta's Highway 3 Twinning Planning Strategy.

Council discussed the information provided in the report.

RES. 473/2017 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council accepts Administrations update on the Province of Alberta's Highway 3 Twinning Planning Strategy, as information.

CARRIED

D) Lands Suitable for Low Cost Housing

A. Malcolm presented his report identifying lands suitable for low income housing, and stated that the Town is limited to Town owned lands that are suitable for low cost housing of the 0.52ha (1.3acres) off 40th Avenue adjacent to the Water Treatment Plant. It was recently deemed as surplus by Council Resolution 373/2017 at the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 25, 2017.

Council discussed the report presented by A. Malcolm.

RES. 474/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council accepts Administrations report on opportunities to identify lands suitable for low cost housing as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

E) Taber & District Solid Waste Management Committee Representatives

C. Armfelt stated that in accordance with the Taber and District Solid Waste Management agreement between the Village of Barnwell, Town of Vauxhall, Municipal District of Taber, and the Town of Taber, dated December 31, 2016, Section 3.2 Council of the Town of Taber can appoint two members to this Committee.

RES. 475/2017 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council appoints, as Town of Taber Representatives to the Taber & District Solid Waste Management Committee, Councillor Louis Tams and Councillor Carly Firth.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) MD of Taber Council Appointments

C. Armfelt presented correspondence received from the Municipal District of Taber informing the Town of appointments to numerous boards and committees that were made by Municipal District of Taber council.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

F) MD of Taber Council Appointments – CONT'D

RES. 476/2017 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council recognizes the Municipal District of Taber's appointments to the Joint Economic Development Committee, the Taber 7 District Solid Waste management Committee, and the Intermunicipal Development Committee; and,

Council on the basis of the recommendation of the Municipal District of Taber Council, appoints Municipal District representatives to Town boards as follows:

- a) Town of Taber Recreation Board – John Turcato, and Tamara Miyanaga as alternate
- b) Taber Municipal Library Board – Tamara Miyanaga

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Canadian Badlands Tourism: Shareholder Representatives

C. Armfelt presented the request from Canadian Badlands Ltd., to which they are requesting Shareholder Representatives from the Municipality.

RES. 477/2017 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council appoints, as the Town of Taber Shareholder Representatives of the Canadian Badlands Ltd., Councillor Mark Garner as the elected official first representative, and Andrew Malcolm as the administrative second representative.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

H) AUMA Resolution Video

C. Armfelt stated that a member of Council has requested that Council consider further distribution of the AUMA Resolution Video via USB sticks to Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC) membership.

Council discussed distributing a copy of the AUMA Resolution Video via USB sticks to the members of AAMDC after the AUMA Convention.

Council made no motion at this time.

I) Council Request: Discussion Regarding Substance and Messaging of Christmas Cards

C. Armfelt stated that a Council member has made a request to have a discussion regarding the substance of messaging on the Christmas cards that are sent to staff and various external stakeholders.

Council discussed the various messaging to be included in the Christmas cards.

RES. 478/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council requests Administration to purchase Christmas cards for the upcoming season wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

CARRIED

J) Council Request: Discussion Regarding Administrative Service Levels

C. Armfelt stated that a member of Council has requested to have a discussion regarding Administration providing the same scheduling services to all of Council, as provided to the Mayor.

Council discussed impact of managing this service level on Administrative Services, staff time, and overall need.

Council made no motion at this time.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

K) 2018-2020 Draft Operating Budget

J. Orwa, Director of Finance, presented the 2018-2020 Draft Operating Budget and reviewed the deficit between the 2018 Approved to 2018 Proposed.

Councillor Tams left the meeting at 6:57 PM.

J. Orwa introduced a representative from the City of Lethbridge Finance department to discuss the City's budgeting process.

Councillor Tams returned to the meeting at 6:59 PM.

Next, J. Orwa introduced representatives from Benchmark Assessments to describe mill rates, assessment, and requisitions.

Budget narratives were presented by individual Directors and Managers of Town departments.

Council discussed the information provided regarding the 2018-2020 Draft Operating Budget.

RES.479/2017 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council accepts the 2018-2020 Draft Operating Budget presentation for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

L) 2018 - 2020 Draft Capital Projects

J. Orwa presented the 2018-2020 Draft Capital Projects List. J. Orwa stated that the 2018 listing was supplied for information purposes, as Council has already approved those items.

RES. 480/2017 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council accepts the 2019-2020 Capital Projects List presentation for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

L) 2018 - 2020 Draft Capital Projects

RES. 481/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council considers identifying the Capital projects for inclusions in the 2019-2020 Capital budget for the November 27, 2017 meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M) 2018 - 2020 Additional Budget Requests

J. Orwa presented the 2018-2020 additional budget requests from Administration.

Councillor Strojwas left the meeting at 8:16 PM.

Council discussed the additional budget requests.

Councillor Strojwas returned to the meeting at 8:19 PM.

MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council requests Administration to incorporate the following projects into their respective operating and capital budgets as listed below.

C. Armfelt suggested a friendly amendment to receive this Agenda Item as information, in accordance with previous discussion surrounding the Draft Operating Budget and the Draft Capital Projects.

Councillor Tams withdrew his motion.

RES. 482/2017 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council accepts the information for the 2018-2020 Additional Budget Requests for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

N) Standing Item - Council Requests

Councillor Bekkering inquired about the answer to a question he asked at the Regular Meeting of Council on October 23, 2017, in regards to paying MNP LLP a retainer for the Whistleblower Ethics Hotline Program.

C. Armfelt stated that no retainer is paid.

Council made no a motion at this time.

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

CLOSED SESSION

RES. 483/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council moves into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of third party business information, in accordance with Section 16(1), and to prevent disclosure of applicant personal information that is evaluative for the purposes of determining the applicant's suitability, in accordance with Section 19(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:39 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES. 484/2017 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:27 PM

OPEN SESSION – CONT'D

RES. 485/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council extends the Regular Meeting of Council to 9:30 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 486/2017 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council appoints Marilyn Kambeitz to the Chinook Arch Regional Library System Board as the Taber Municipal Library Board Alternate representative for a term to expire at Council's Organizational Meeting of 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 487/2017 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council directs Administration to purchase of Meridian 4, Range 16, Township 10, Section 7, the south 1980 feet of the north 3960 feet of the east half containing 24.3 hectares (60.0 Acres) more or less for \$1.2 million, subjective to a favourable Environmental Site Assessment Phase Two review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 488/2017 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council directs Administration to send letters to the three businesses that requested servicing along Wildrose Drive that their request for utility servicing and road upgrades will be taken into consideration for future capital projects.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 489/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council appoints Dave McKee to the Town of Taber Subdivision and Development Appeal Board for a 2 year term to expire December 31, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 490/2017 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:30



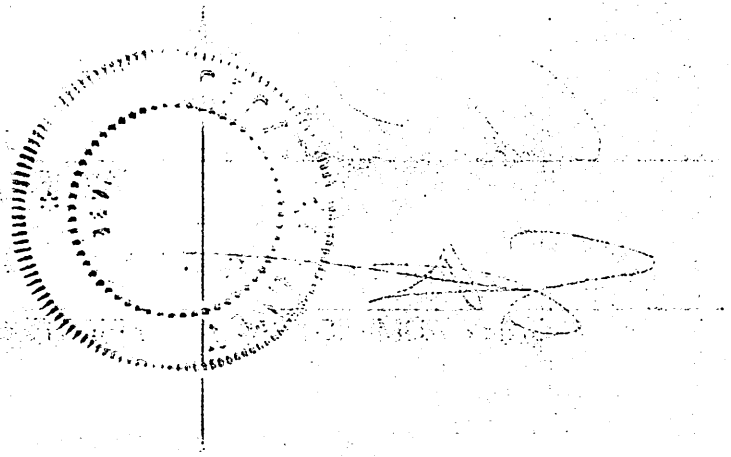
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