

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, JANUARY 28, 2019, AT 3:33 PM, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SUBDIVISION AUTHORITY MEETING.

Mayor

Andrew Prokop

Councillors

Garth Bekkering

Jack Brewin

Joe Strojwas

Louie Tams

Absent

Carly Firth

Mark Garner

Chief Administrative Officer

Cory Armfelt

Staff

Alaa Abdel Khaliq

Meghan Brennan

Dave Duske

Phyllis Monks

Steve Munshaw

John Orwa

Louise Parsons

Dawn Phillips

Gary Scherer

Kerry Van Ham

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Prokop called the meeting to Order at 3:33 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Prokop inquired if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda, and there were none.

RES. 19/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council adopts the Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: January 14, 2019

Councillor Bekkering stated that RES. 3/2019 should state "Directs Administration to send a letter of support in principle of the Agreement to the Taber Irrigation District" instead of "a letter of support for the principle of the Agreement to the Taber Irrigation District".

C. Armfelt stated that Administration will make the necessary change and bring the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 14, 2019 back to the Regular Meeting of Council on February 11, 2019.

Council made no motion at this time.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1) Southern Tributaries Water Sharing Agreement

C. Armfelt introduced C. Gallagher, Manager, and M. Wind and D. Johnson, Board Members, of Taber Irrigation District, to address Council's questions arising from the initial presentation at Council's January 28, 2019 Regular Meeting on the Southern Tributaries Water Sharing Agreement.

Council discussed the proposed Southern Tributaries Water Sharing Agreement.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – CONT'D

1) Southern Tributaries Water Sharing Agreement – CONT'D

RES. 20/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council accepts the material presented for information, and thanks the Delegation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

1) Council Direction: Resolution 6/2019, January 14, 2019

C. Armfelt stated that at the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 14, 2019, Council passed RES. 6/2019 stating that Council would address the one-third federal tax exemption for Elected Officials at this meeting, however this item was not dealt with on the Agenda of the day.

RES. 21/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council rescinds RES. 6/2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 22/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that in consideration of Bylaw 20-2018 Council intends to bring back the matter of the One-Third Federal Tax Exemption Changes to Council Remunerations, with a 2/3 majority recorded vote for a Closed Session discussion at a subsequent Council meeting.

CARRIED

FOR – Mayor Prokop, Councillor Bekkering, Councillor Brewin, and Councillor Tams.

AGAINST – Councillor Strojwas.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

2) 2017/2018 Communications Survey Report

M. Brennan, Communications and Projects Coordinator, presented the 2017/2018 Communications Survey Report.

Council discussed the 2017/2018 Communications Survey Report.

RES. 23/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council accepts the 2017/2018 Communications Survey Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Communications Plan 6-Month Report

M. Brennan presented the Communications Plan 6-Month Report to Council.

RES. 24/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council accepts the Communications Plan 6 month report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4) Disposal of Municipal Documents

D. Phillips, Director of Recreation presented the list of records retained by the Aquafun Centre that are scheduled to be destroyed in accordance with the Retention of Municipal Documents Bylaw 10-99.

RES. 25/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council approves the destruction of documents identified in the attached list per the retention period in years identified in Schedule A of the Bylaw No. 10-99 Retention of Municipal Documents.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

5) Finance Timeline Overview

J. Orwa, Director of Finance, presented the Finance Timeline Overview to Council.

J. Orwa introduced L. Wehlege, of Benchmark Assessment, to discuss and explain the proposed tax rates, the assessment class process, and current distribution percentages.

Council discussed the Finance Timeline Overview.

RES. 26/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council accepts the Finance Timeline Overview Presentation for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6) Siaya County, Kenya: Proposed Memorandum of Understanding

C. Armfelt presented the proposed Memorandum of Understanding with Siaya County, Kenya in follow-up to their delegation's visit in September 2018.

RES. 27/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council defer the Siaya County, Kenya: Proposed Memorandum of Understanding to the Regular Meeting of Council to be held on February 11, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7) Policies Proposed for Repeal

C. Armfelt stated that Administration has reviewed the Town's current Policies and have found some that are recommended to be repealed as the Town no longer utilizes these policies, or they are encompassed in other legislation.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

7) Policies Proposed for Repeal – CONT'D

RES. 28/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council repeals
Guest of Taber Parking Permit Policy C46/6/24/91.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 29/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council repeals
Use of Town Logos Policy 42C-5/28/90.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 30/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council repeals
"Smoke Free" Town Facilities Policy C45/1/25/93.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 31/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council repeals
Proclamations – Requests Policy 34C-175/87.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 32/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council repeals
Policy Handbooks for Council Policy 20C-305/81.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 33/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council repeals
Idea of the Month Policy 88S-1/01/97.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council discussed deferring the repeal of the Residency Requirement
Policy 87M/88/11/14 until the next Regular Meeting of Council.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

8) Department Reports

C. Armfelt presented the Department Reports to Council.

RES. 35/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council accepts the Department Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9) Taber Municipal Police Commission Report to Council

C. Armfelt presented the Taber Municipal Police Commission Report to Council.

RES. 34/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council accepts the Taber Municipal Police Commission Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

Council provided their Mayor and Council Verbal Reports.

RES. 36/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

11) Standing Item - Council Requests

Council discussed the installation of a water table and future playground equipment in Town parks.

MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council directs the Recreation Department to look into a water table to incorporate into the Taber Spray Park, to find out how much it would cost and the proper location, I think would be a good addition, and to include looking at the options of putting a child/adult joint swing in our next phase if we develop more into the parks.

Council discussed including the Taber Recreation Board into the request.

Councillor Brewin amended his motion.

MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council directs Administration to look into a water table to incorporate into the Taber Spray Park, and investigate the cost and proper location, and options of putting a child/adult joint swing in our next phase as we develop more parks.

Councillor Strojwas requested a friendly amendment to request that the Taber Recreation Board look into this matter.

Councillor Brewin accepted the friendly amendment.

RES. 37/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council requests the Taber Recreation Board to look into the matter of a water table to incorporate into the Taber Spray Park, and investigate the cost and proper location, and options of putting a child/adult joint swing in our next phase as we develop more parks.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

11) Standing Item - Council Requests

Council discussed concerns regarding the traffic crossing along 64th Avenue between Highway 36 and 50th Street, and discussed requesting the Traffic Committee review the speed limit in the area.

RES. 38/2019 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council directs Administration to look at the speed limit across 64th Avenue from 50th Street to Highway 36 with the Traffic Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

None.

MEDIA INQUIRIES

T. Busch, of the Taber Times, inquired if Councillor Strojwas was indicating concern for pedestrians or vehicles crossing 64th Avenue, during the Standing Item – Council Requests Agenda Item.

Councillor Strojwas stated that he was referring to vehicles crossing 64th Avenue.

RES. 39/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council takes a 30 minute break for dinner.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:07 PM

RES. 40/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council reconvenes the Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:41 PM

MEDIA INQUIRIES

RES. 41/2019 **MOVED** by Councillor Brewin that Council moves into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of third party business information, in accordance with Section 16(1), to prevent disclosure of confidential evaluations, in accordance with Section 19(1), and to prevent disclosure of advice from officials that could reasonably be expected to reveal advice, or analyses developed by a public body, in accordance with Section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:42 PM

CLOSED SESSION

1) Existing Lease

Closed Session to prevent disclosure of advice from officials, that could reasonably be expected to reveal advice, or analyses developed by a public body, in accordance with Section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance in Closed Session for Agenda Item 9.1) Existing Lease: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, and K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager.

Councillor Tams declared a pecuniary interest in Closed Session Agenda Item 9.2) Licence Agreement Information, and left the meeting at 5:54 PM.

CLOSED SESSION – CONT'D

2) Licence Agreement Information

Closed Session to prevent disclosure of third party business information, in accordance with Section 16(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance in Closed Session for Agenda Item 9.2) Licence Agreement Information: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, and P. Monks, Director of Planning and Economic Development.

Councillor Tams returned to the meeting at 6:07 PM.

3) Investigation into Residential Automated Collection Frequency Changes

Closed session to prevent disclosure of advice from officials, that could reasonably be expected to reveal advice, or analyses developed by a public body, in accordance with Section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance in Closed Session for Agenda Item 9.3) Investigation into Residential Automated Collection Frequency Changes: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, G. Scherer, Director of Engineering and Public Works, and L. DeBona, Engineering and Public Works Administrative Supervisor.

4) Barnwell Raw Water Agreement

Closed Session to prevent disclosure of confidential evaluations, in accordance with Section 19(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance in Closed Session for Agenda Item 9.4) Barnwell Raw Water Agreement: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, G. Scherer, Director of Engineering and Public Works, and J. Orwa, Director of Finance.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 42/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:43 PM

RES. 43/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council extends the removal of Taber Rodeo Association's chattels to March 31, 2019.

CARRIED

OPEN SESSION

RES. 44/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council upon review of the information from Administration decides to remain status quo for compost, recycling, and waste management.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 45/2019 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council directs Administration to draft a letter to the Village of Barnwell Council regarding the following items:

- 1) Municipal Development Plan considerations,
- 2) Clarification on Capital costs and expenditures,
- 3) Increase of rates due to the increase of Taber Irrigation District rates,
- 4) The Town of Taber's interpretation of the contract that indicates that treated water is to stay within the corporate boundaries of the Village of Barnwell; and,
- 5) For this letter to be signed by the Mayor and CAO, and for it to be copied to the Municipal District of Taber Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 46/2019

MOVED by Councillor Tams that this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:46 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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