

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, FEBRUARY 25, 2019, AT 3:30 PM.

Mayor

Andrew Prokop

Councillors

Garth Bekkering

Jack Brewin

Carly Firth

Mark Garner

Joe Strojwas

Louie Tams

Chief Administrative Officer

Cory Armfelt

Staff

Alaa Abdel Khaliq

Meghan Brennan

Phyllis Monks

Steve Munshaw

John Orwa

Louise Parsons

Gary Scherer

Kerry Van Ham

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Prokop called the meeting to Order at 3:30 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Councillor Tams requested that Delegation Agenda Item 7.2) Fading Sons Hockey Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility be moved to Agenda Item 7.1, and Delegation Agenda Item 7.1) Taber Kinsmen Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility be moved to Agenda Item 7.2.

RES. 68/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council adopts the Agenda, as amended, by moving Delegation Agenda Item 7.2) Fading Sons Hockey Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility be moved to Agenda Item 7.1, and Delegation Agenda Item 7.1) Taber Kinsmen Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility be moved to Agenda Item 7.2.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1) Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council: February 11, 2019

RES. 69/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 11, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

BYLAWS

1) Proposed Fee Bylaw 5-2019

J. Orwa, Director of Finance, presented proposed Fee Bylaw 5-2019, and stated that Administration is proposing an increase to the water rate to the Village of Barnwell to reflect the current rate increase the Town has received from Taber Irrigation District.

Council discussed the proposed rate change in Fee Bylaw 5-2019.

RES. 70/2019 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council gives First Reading to Fee Bylaw 5-2019, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 71/2019 MOVED by Councillor Garner that Council gives Second Reading to Fee Bylaw 5-2019, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 72/2019 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council unanimously agrees to proceed to Third and Final Reading to Fee Bylaw 5-2019, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 73/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council gives Third and Final Reading to Fee Bylaw 5-2019, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

1) APEX Awards Sponsorship Request

M. Brennan, Communications and Projects Coordinator, presented correspondence from the APEX Awards Committee requesting sponsorship for their 18th annual awards banquet, and reviewed the sponsorship options for 2019.

M. Brennan stated that Administration is also requesting Council's approval to place sponsorship for the APEX Awards in the Operating Budget on a go-forward basis to streamline the process in future years.

MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council donates \$1,500.00 to the 2019 APEX Youth Awards as a major sponsor.

Council further discussed sponsorship options for the 2019 APEX Youth Awards, and yearly sponsorship on a go-forward basis.

Councillor Strojwas requested a friendly amendment that the Town purchase 2 full tables, for \$700.00 each, which would provide 8 tickets, and have a second motion deciding what to do in future years.

Councillor Brewin declined the friendly amendment.

RES. 74/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council donates \$1,500.00 to the 2019 APEX Youth Awards as a major sponsor.

CARRIED

RES. 75/2019 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council approves yearly sponsorship on a go-forward basis to the APEX Youth Awards to a maximum of \$1,500.00, with the amount to come from the Operating Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

2) Coffee with Council Continuation

M. Brennan stated that Council previously passed a resolution at their November 16, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council to host a Coffee with Council event in December, January, and February. She stated that Administration is asking for Council's direction as to their level of desire to continue the initiative.

Council discussed the feedback they have received during the Coffee with Council initiative, and the success of the events.

RES. 76/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council continues with the Coffee with Council initiative and directs Administration to take care of the scheduling of future dates.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Annual Asphalt Patching - Tender Award

G. Scherer, Director of Engineering and Public Works, and L. Parsons, Procurement Manager, presented the Annual Asphalt Patching tender to Council.

RES. 77/2019 MOVED by Councillor Garner that Council awards the Annual Asphalt Patching tender to McNally Contractors (2011) Ltd. at a cost of \$40.45 per square meter, with expenses to be taken from the 2019 Operating budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4) 2018 Capital Projects Carry Forward

J. Orwa presented the list of 2018 Capital Projects that Administration is requesting to be carried forward to 2019 to be completed.

Council discussed the status of projects on the 2018 Capital Projects carry forward list.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

4) 2018 Capital Projects Carry Forward – CONT'D

RES. 78/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council approves the 2018 Capital Projects to be carried forward to 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5) Uncollectable Accounts Receivable over \$500

J. Orwa presented the uncollectable accounts receivables with a value over \$500.00, and he stated that the attached list represents one account with power billings and MD of Taber property taxes.

J. Orwa stated that the account is a non-profit association that was previously leasing Town-owned land in the MD of Taber, who did not fill out the required tax exemption forms in 2014. J. Orwa stated that in addition they owe outstanding power charges from 2014 and 2015 to the Town.

Council further discussed the funds owed for MD of Taber property taxes.

RES. 79/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council approves the attached list of uncollectable accounts receivable with a value over five hundred dollars to be written off as of December 31, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6) Department Reports

C. Armfelt presented the Department Reports to Council.

RES. 80/2019 MOVED by Councillor Garner that Council accepts the Department Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

7) Mayor and Councillor Reports (Verbal)

Mayor and Council provided their verbal reports.

RES. 81/2019 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council accepts the Mayor and Councillor Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8) Standing Item - Council Requests

Council discussed encouraging and promoting commercial businesses and restaurants in the area to use the three bin system.

Council made no motion at this time.

RES. 82/2019 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that Council breaks until 5:00 PM to continue with Delegations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 4:16 PM.

RES. 83/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council reconvenes the Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:03 PM

Council amended the Agenda order to have Delegation Agenda Item 7.1) return to being the Taber Kinsmen Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility, and Delegation Agenda Item 7.2) return to being the Fading Sons Hockey Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility, and made no motion at this time.

Mayor Prokop declared a pecuniary interest in Delegation Agenda Item 7.1) Taber Kinsmen Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility, and Delegation Agenda Item 7.2) Fading Sons Hockey Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility, and asked Deputy Mayor Bekkering to Chair the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Bekkering accepted the chair position.

Mayor Prokop left the meeting at 5:03 PM.

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DELEGATIONS

1) Taber Kinsmen Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility

C. Armfelt introduced E. Campbell, Chairperson of the Heritage Supper Committee and member of the Taber Kinsmen, who stated that the Taber Kinsmen missed the application deadline of the Community Grant Program, but would like to request a facility fee waiver from Council to host the Heritage Supper in the Community Centre for June 2nd and June 3rd, 2019.

Council discussed the facility fee waiver and the funds to be allocated to the waiver.

MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council grants the facility waiver request from the Taber Kinsmen for \$617.14, excluding GST, with funding from the Council Discretionary Fund.

Councillor Brewin suggested a friendly amendment that the funding come from the Community Grant Program.

Councillor Tams accepted the friendly amendment.

RES. 84/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council grants the facility waiver request from the Taber Kinsmen for \$617.14, excluding GST, with funding from the Community Grant Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Fading Sons Hockey Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility

C. Armfelt introduced G. Shigemi and C. Nguyen, members of the Fading Sons Hockey Club, who stated that the Fading Sons Hockey Club missed the application deadline of the Community Grant Program, but would like to request a facility fee waiver or reduced fee from Council for the Community Centre and kitchen facilities from March 15-17, 2019.

Council discussed the proposed facility fee waiver.

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DELEGATIONS – CONT'D

2) Fading Sons Hockey Club Rental Fee Waiver Request: Community Centre Facility – CONT'D

RES. 85/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council grants the facility fee waiver for the Taber Fading Sons Hockey Club for the Community Centre and kitchen facilities from Friday, March 15, 2019 to Sunday, March 17, 2019, with funding from the Community Grant Program

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Tams left the meeting at 5:17 PM.

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

Mayor Prokop and Councillor Tams returned to the meeting at 5:17 PM.

Deputy Mayor Bekkering returned the duties of chair of the meeting to Mayor Prokop at 5:17 PM.

RES. 86/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council moves into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of personal information that is evaluative, compiled for the purpose of determining the applicant's suitability, eligibility or qualifications in accordance with Section 19, and to prevent disclosure of positions, plans, procedures, criteria or instructions developed for the purpose of contractual or other negotiations by or on behalf of the Government of Alberta or a public body, or considerations that relate to those negotiations in accordance with Section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:18 PM

MEDIA INQUIRIES – CONT'D

Councillor Tams declared a pecuniary interest in Closed Session Agenda Item 9.1) Emergency Services Site Review, and left the meeting at 5:19 PM.

CLOSED SESSION

1) Emergency Service Site Review

That Council takes the meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of advice from officials 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) Emergency Service Site Review: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, P. Monks, Director of Planning & Economic Development, J. Orwa, Director of Finance, S. Munshaw, Chief of the Taber Fire Department, J. DeJong, of DeJong Architecture, and P. Goertzen, of MPE Engineering.

Councillor Tams returned to Closed Session at 7:10 PM, and continued with Closed Session Agenda Item 9.2) ESB Consultant Session.

2) ESB Consultant Session

That Council takes the meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of advice from officials 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 9.2) ESB Consultant Session: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, and P. Monks, Director of Planning & Economic Development, and K. Hyshka, of Dialogue Partners Inc, joined by teleconference.

CLOSED SESSION – CONT'D

3) Annexation Process Update

That Council takes the meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of advice from officials 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) Annexation Process Update: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, and P. Monks, Director of Planning & Economic Development.

4) Change in "one-third" Federal Tax Exemption for Elected Officials

Closed Session to prevent disclosure of positions, plans, procedures, criteria or instructions developed for the purpose of contractual or other negotiations by or on behalf of the Government of Alberta or a public body, or considerations that relate to those negotiations 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 9.4) Change in "one-third" Federal Tax Exemption for Elected Officials: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, and J. Orwa, Director of Finance.

5) Combative Sports Commission Applications Council takes the meeting into Closed Session to prevent disclosure of personal information that is evaluative, compiled for the purpose of determining the applicant's suitability, eligibility or qualifications under *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Section 19: Confidential Evaluations

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance in Closed Session for Agenda Item 9.5) Combative Sports Commission Applications: C. Armfelt, Chief Administrative Officer, and K. Van Ham, Administrative Services Manager.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 87/2019 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:11 PM

RES. 88/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council extends the Regular Meeting of Council to 8:30 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSED SESSION

RES. 89/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council reconvenes into Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 7:12 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES. 90/2019 MOVED by Councillor Tams that Council reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:27 PM

Councillor Tams declared a pecuniary interest in Closed Session Agenda Item 9.1) Emergency Services Site Review, and left the meeting at 8:27 PM.

RES. 90/2019 MOVED by Councillor Strojwas that Council directs Administration to purchase Lots 1-6, Block 1, Plan 5638L, subject to a satisfactory tender as a condition of the purchase contract, for an Emergency Services Building to be awarded by July 1, 2019.

CARRIED

Councillor Tams returned to the meeting at 8:29 PM.

OPEN SESSION – CONT'D

RES. 91/2019 MOVED by Councillor Firth that Council rescinds
RES. 17/2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 93/2019 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that Council appoints
Mathieu Champagne to the Combative Sports
Commission for a three (3) year term to expire
December 31, 2021; and,

Council appoints Brad Lukacs to the Combative
Sports Commission for a three (3) year term to
expire December 31, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 94/2019 MOVED by Councillor Firth that this Regular
Meeting of Council is hereby Closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 8:30 PM



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



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