

Minutes of the Town of Olds Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 in the Council Chambers, Olds Town Office at 3:00 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS in Attendance:

In the Chair. Councillor M.J. Harper.

Mayor J. Dahl; Councillor A. Bull; Councillor W. Smith; Councillor H. Walsh; Councillor L. Winfield.

ELECTED OFFICIALS Absent:

STAFF in Attendance:

Norm McInnis, Chief Administrative Officer; Cliff McDonald, Director of Corporate Services; Larry Wright, Director of Operational Services; Nina Gales, Manager of Corporate Affairs and Regional Sustainability Coordinator; Karol Jorgensen, Assistant Manager of Corporate Affairs and Assistant Regional Sustainability Coordinator; Monica Leatherdale, Administrative Support.

1. Call To Order.

Chairman Harper called the meeting to order at 2:57 p.m.

2. Added Items.

Moved by Councillor Bull to add items: Proposed Utility Bylaw, #9 (pages 1 – 48); #10 MSI Grant Update; (Legal) In Camera item to the agenda.

Motion Carried 10-09

3. Adoption of Agenda.

Moved by Councillor Bull to adopt the February 16, 2010 Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Agenda.

Motion Carried 10-10

4. Adoption of the January 18, 2010 Minutes.

Moved by Mayor Dahl to adopt the minutes of the January 18, 2010 Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting, as presented.

Motion Carried 10-11

Karol Jorgensen, Assistant Manager Corporate Affairs, Assistant Regional Sustainability Coordinator, entered the Council Chambers at 3:02 p.m.

5. Girl Guides Request to Incorporate Trefoil into Flower Gardens.

Council Comments: request was copied to Community Service; location; previous requests; horticulture talents; communities in bloom; service group recognition; possible Katimavik project.

Moved by Mayor Dahl that it be recommended to Council, that the Girl Guides request to incorporate the Trefoil into flower gardens be forwarded to Communities in Bloom and Communities Services Department to make recommendations as necessary.

Motion Carried 10-12

6. Webcasting in the Municipal Government.

CAO McInnis provided background on Webcasting in the Municipal Government. CAO McInnis asked for feedback on webcasting from Council.

Council Comments: pricing; stationary camera discussion; in favour of social media; trial basis; find out community interest; Town's commitment; resources required; community partnerships; need to get right message out.

Moved by Mayor Dahl that the Committee recommends to Council, to receive Webcasting in the Municipal Government as information.

Motion Carried 10-13

7. Initiation of Biz Pal in Olds Planning, Development, Licensing Operational Services Department.

Director of Operations, Larry Wright provided background information on Biz Pal. The City of Airdrie participated in a major presentation held in Olds, with 24 staff and 8 municipalities present. This on-line permitting service streamlines business license requests and sets up linkages with provincial and federal permit requirements as well as municipal requirements to provide accurate, up to date and consistent information.

Council Comments: public usage location; government service provided free of charge; accountability on applicant; information integrity; easier for citizens to do business; provincial government uses information for statistics.

Barb Hill, Director of Community Services entered the Council Chambers at 3:33 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Winfield that the Committee recommend to Council, to accept Biz Pal documentation and the roll-out schedule as information.

Motion Carried 10-14

Girl Guides Request to Incorporate Trefoil into Flower Gardens.

Director of Community Services Barb Hill provided an update: Community Services will incorporate a Tre-foil in the Herb Samis Park.

8. Olds College Naming Policy.

Council Comments: Need a policy; easy implementation; Olds College Policy as a sample; obtain other sample policies; resources to develop policy; corporate priorities; need discretion and flexibility in policy.

Moved by Councillor Smith that the Committee recommends to Council, that Administration be directed to bring back further information on a donor/sponsorship naming policy.

Motion Carried. 10-15

9. MSI Funding

Director of Corporate Services, Cliff McDonald provided information and details on MSI Funding for 2010.

Council Comments: funding loss; MSI funding commitment; long term commitment with funding for 2010 and thereafter.

Moved by Councillor Winfield that it be recommended to Council, to accept the MSI report for information.

Motion Carried. 10-16

Chairman Harper recessed the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Chairman Harper reconvened the meeting at 4:04 p.m.

Barb Hill, Director of Community Services left Council Chambers at 4:04 p.m.

10. Utility Bylaw

Director of Corporate Services, Cliff McDonald provided background and information details on the proposed Water Wastewater Amendment Bylaw.

Barb Hill, Director of Community Services entered Council Chambers at 4:06 p.m.

Councillors Comments: landlords can requests information; landlords approve their tenants;

Karol Jorgensen, Assistant Manager of Corporate Affairs and Assistant Regional Sustainability Coordinator left the Council Chambers at 4:23 p.m.

Council comments continued: information is good; must move forward; volume of accounts sent to collection.

Moved by Councillor Smith that Committee recommends that Council consider second reading of Bylaw 2009-24 Water Wastewater Amendment Bylaw at the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, February 22, 2010.

Motion Carried 10-17

Chairman Harper recessed the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

Monica Leatherdale, Administrative Support left the Council Chambers at 4:22 p.m.

Chairman Harper reconvened the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Smith to move to a closed meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Motion Carried 10-18

Moved by Councillor Bull that the Committee reconvene the regular meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Motion Carried 10-19

The Committee reconvened the regular meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Bull that this meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried 10-20

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Councillor M.J. Harper,
Chairman

Norm McInnis,
Chief Administrative Officer

Minutes adopted March 15 2010.