

Prior to Adoption

Minutes of the Town of Olds Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting held on Monday, May 17, 2010 in the Council Chambers, Olds Town Office at 3:00 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS in Attendance:

In the Chair. Councillor H. Walsh
Mayor J. Dahl; Councillor A. Bull; Councillor M.J. Harper; Councillor W. Smith

ELECTED OFFICIALS Absent:

Councillor L. Winfield

STAFF in Attendance:

Norm McInnis, Chief Administrative Officer; Larry Wright, Director of Operational Services; Nina Gales, Manager of Corporate Affairs and Regional Sustainability Coordinator; Roxanne Latour, Operations Administrative Assistant; Shannon Nadeau, RCMP Detachment Clerk; Debbie Godfrey, CAO & Council Assistant.

1. Call To Order.

Chairman Walsh called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Added Items.

3. Adoption of Agenda.

Chairman Walsh advised that item 6 will be held in-camera at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Dahl moved the adoption of the May 17, 2010 Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Agenda, as presented.

Motion Carried 10-30

4. Adoption of the April 19, 2010 Minutes.

Councillor Smith moved the adoption of the April 19, 2010 Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes.

Motion Carried 10-31

5. Presentation: Police Information Checks

Shannon Nadeau came forward and narrated the report, 'Police Information Checks' and answered questions from Council.

Moved by Mayor Dahl that the report titled, 'Police Information Checks' be given to administration to bring back to Council with a request for decision.

Motion Carried 10-32

Shannon Nadeau left the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

8. Industrial Park Access Report

Chairman Walsh moved Item 8 forward on the agenda.

Director Wright provided a review and background of the Industrial Park Access Report.

The professional opinion, based on a warrant system, is that there is nothing that needs to be done for the level of traffic.

Discussion on the access and egress around the industrial park; road widening; power pole; timing factors; routing and access points; dust control; controlling heavy traffic; road markings; vehicle traffic; sight lines; snow banks.

Committee consensus is that 49th Avenue be open, with restrictions that only light vehicle traffic is permitted.

9. MOU Alberta Transportation and Town of Olds Agr: CON 0010158

Director Wright provided background on the MOU Alberta Transportation and the Town of Olds Agr: CON 0010158.

Councillor Harper entered the Council Chambers at 3:30 p.m.

Councillor Harper queried that when streets are closed off, will there be landscaping involved?

Director Wright provided comment on what will likely occur with respect to landscaping; signage; and that it will be worked on and agreed to.

General discussion with respect to several intersections and proposed plans.

7. Enforcement Report

Director Wright narrated the Enforcement Report, background, and current job description on what is the expectation of staff; there are several barriers with animal control: cat, dog and wildlife, becoming more of an enforcement issue as time goes along.

Councillor Smith, report is focused in a limited way on pedestrians ie: page 6 over hanging of trees and shrubs; suggestive that self generated as well as complaint based, number of occurrences Jan to April 2009 zero incidents of snow on sidewalks. Councillor Smith does not believe that since there are no complaints there are no problems; ensure the walkability of our community; shouldn't have to avoid sidewalks in places.

Mayor Dahl, commented on page 10, Community Peace Officer, difference between level one and two and we are only level two.

Director Wright provided background on requirements of Solicitor General.

Mayor Dahl suggested a letter be sent to the Solicitor General with concern.

Councillor Harper questioned the difference between level one and two and when did this all change?

Director Wright commented that within the last two years; a peace officer that had no break in service is required to recertify even though there has been no break in service, simply changing employers.

Councillor Bull asked if there were any stats for 2010.

Director Wright, advised that there is a problem with the data base; currently rebuilding the data base. Stats would also reflect warnings for snow and ploughing and clean up; identifying and pulling abandoned vehicles.

CAO McInnis provided that more information will be presented to Council; suggestion that responsiveness is important; self generating activity is important; feedback from council is that we are not spending enough time in priority areas, but have not had that discussion on priority areas.

Chairman Walsh recessed the meeting at 4:20 p.m.
Chairman Walsh reconvened the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Harper that the Committee go in-camera.
Motion Carried 10-33

The Committee went in-camera at 4:30 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Bull that the Committee move to the regular committee meeting.
Motion Carried 10-34

The Committee moved to the regular committee meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Moved by Mayor Dahl that this meeting adjourn.
Motion Carried 10-35

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Councillor H. Walsh,
Chairman

Norm McInnis,
Chief Administrative Officer

Minutes adopted 2010.