

Minutes of the Town of Olds Special Council meeting held on Thursday, November 28, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, at the Municipal Office at 4512 – 46 Street in Olds with the public body present and live streamed out via the Town’s website.

PRESENT – ELECTED OFFICIALS:

In the Chair, Mayor Judy Dahl

Councillor Wanda Blatz, Councillor James Cummings, Councillor Dan Daley, Councillor Harvey Walsh, Councillor Heather Ryan, and Councillor Darren Wilson

ABSENT– ELECTED OFFICIALS:

PRESENT for the Regular meeting of Council – STAFF:

Brent Williams, Chief Administrative Officer; Adrian Pedro, Director of Infrastructure; Sheena Linderman, Director of Corporate Services; Justin Andrew, Director of Protective Services; Guy Lapointe, Director of Community Services and Marcie McKinnon, Legislative Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dahl called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

A.) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Wilson, “to adopt the Special Council meeting agenda as presented for the Thursday, November 28, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.”

Motion Carried 24-478

2. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING BUSINESS

Consideration of the 2025 Operating Budget.

CAO Williams provided opening comments.

Directors Linderman, Pedro, Andrew and Lapointe were in chambers and presented 2024 Year in Review on their respective departments.

Director Linderman provided Council with the 2025 Budget Survey Recap, 2025 Base Budget Overview, Proposed Utility Rates, and Property Taxes.

(The PowerPoint Presentation will be held with minutes.)

Mayor Dahl recessed the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

Mayor Dahl reconvened the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

Director Linderman continued with the budget presentation from 2025 Operating Project Requests.

Project Papers discussed:

- Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)
- Council Initiatives
- Accounts Payable Automation
- New Positions (2 FTE’s HR Admin & 3rd M.E.)
- Marketing Plan
- IT Equipment Increase
- Car and Body worn camera system
- Automated Vehicle Locating System (pickup trucks)
- Contracted Street Sweeping

- Increased Sidewalk Repair and Maintenance

Councillor Blatz left the meeting at 11:35 a.m. and returned at 11:37 a.m.

- Land Use Bylaw Update
- Pathway Repair and Maintenance
- Catch Basin Repair and Maintenance

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that council accepts the 2025 Operating Budget Presentation, as information."

Motion Carried 24-479

4. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dahl adjourned the meeting at 12:06 p.m.



Judy Dahl
Mayor



Brent Williams
Chief Administrative Officer

These minutes were approved on the 9 day of December 2024.