

Minutes of the Town of Olds Regular and Closed Council meeting conducted electronically through ZOOM Meetings on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, at the Town Municipal Office.

As of March 27, 2020 the *Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation* was enacted to assist local municipal governments meet *Municipal Government Act* legislative requirements for holding Council meetings. The PUBLIC had the opportunity to HEAR the meeting by calling this number 1 587 328 1099 (within Canada) and when prompted enter the Meeting ID 337 948 8245 and then Password 943170 to listen in to the live meeting.

PRESENT – ELECTED OFFICIALS:

In the Chair, Mayor Michael Muzychka (From Chambers.)
Councillor Debbie Bennett, Councillor Wanda Blatz, Councillor Mary Jane Harper, Councillor Mary Anne Overwater, Councillor Heather Ryan and Councillor Mitch Thomson participated virtually.

ABSENT– ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Participating virtually in the Regular meeting of Council – STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, Michael Merritt; Doug Wagstaff, Director of Community Services; Sheena Linderman, Director of Finance; Scott Chant, Director of Operations; Monica Leatherdale, Communications Coordinator and Marcie McKinnon, Legislative Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael Muzychka called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

A.) ADDED ITEM(s)

Director Wagstaff requested one item be added under the closed session FOIP Section 16 – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third part. To be added to end of agenda.

CAO Merritt requested that one item be added as item 6F) Operations and Capital Projects Verbal Updated be added to the agenda. Councillor Harper requested that this item include a snow removal update.

B.) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Blatz, “to accept the Council agenda for the Monday, January 11, 2021 Regular and Closed Council meeting as amended.”

Motion Carried 21-01

2. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2A) Council Meeting Minutes

Moved by Councillor Bennett, “to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 14, 2020, as presented.”

Motion Carried 21-02

Moved by Councillor Ryan, “to accept the Special Closed Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 21, 2020, as presented.”

Motion Carried 21-03

3. PRESENTATION AND DELEGATIONS

3A) COVID-19 UPDATE

The Town of Olds, Director of the Emergency Management Agency, Mr. Brian Powell provided an update to Council on COVID-19, through the PowerPoint Presentation contained in the agenda package.

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that Council accept the Emergency Management Agency's presentation on COVID-19 for information."

Discussion ensued on:

- Enforcement of Alberta Health Service Regulations
- Case Status Breakdown (Currently 39 Active Cases)
- Breaking down the reporting presented to more specific local demographics
- Task Force information out to Businesses
- Planning and Development - Waiving Permits Fees
- Volunteer Recruitment for Disaster Volunteer program
- Olds Hospital COVID Capacity Levels (Olds Hospital has no Intensive Care Unit)

Motion Carried 21-04

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor Ryan provided update to Council on the COVID Outbreak at Mountain View Lodge, it was declared over on January 8, 2021, by the Alberta Communicable Disease Control and currently there are no cases of COVID-19 at the Lodge.

5. BYLAWS

5A) Bylaw 2021-03 Establish a Council Committee of Broadband Investment

Mayor Muzychka spoke on the Broadband Investment Committee bylaw being presented today for Council consideration on the recommendation of the Town's legal advisors.

Moved by Councillor Bennett "that Bylaw 2021-03 be given first reading, as presented."

Motion Carried 21-05

Councillor Harper proposed that Council accept the 'Review' clause and that that the date be set as 'prior to sept 30, 2021.'

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Bylaw 2021-03 be given second reading, as amended."

Councillor Thomson requested the vote be recorded.

Six (6) FOR

(Muzychka, Bennett, Blatz, Harper, Ryan, Overwater)

One (1) AGAINST

(Thomson)

Motion Carried 21-06

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that Council give unanimous consent for presentation of the third reading to the Town of Bylaw 2021-03."

Councillor Thomson requested the vote be recorded.

Six (6) FOR

(Muzychka, Bennett, Blatz, Harper, Ryan, Overwater)

One (1) AGAINST

(Thomson)

Motion defeated 21-07

Moved by Councillor Harper, "that Council call a Special Council meeting for Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. for purpose of third reading of the bylaw."

Motion Carried 21-08

6. NEW BUSINESS

6A) Council Policy 106C Remuneration and Benefits

Moved by Councillor Blatz "that Council approve Council Policy 106C Remuneration and Benefits, as presented.

Motion Carried 21-09

6B) Mountain View Summer Games Legacy Foundation

CAO Merritt spoke to the request to dissolve this fund as contained in the agenda package.

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that Council support Mountain View County's request to dissolve the Mountain View Summer Games Legacy Foundation."

Discussion ensued on potential considerations for use of the \$28,210.

CAO Merritt indicated this would be further discussed at the Budget/Service level review.

Motion Carried 21-10

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "that Council direct Administration to take the required steps to dissolve the Mountain View Summer Games Legacy Foundation and disperse the account funds per its Society Bylaws."

Motion Carried 21-11

6C) 2021 Oldman River Region GIS Enhancement Project & the 2021 South Regional Urban Orthophotography Project

CAO Merritt and Director Chant spoke on the opportunity to participate in the project as a Municipal member of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission.

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Council authorizes the Town of Olds to participate in an application for the 2021 Oldman River Region GIS Enhancement Project submitted by the Town of Fort Macleod under the Intermunicipal Collaboration component Alberta Community Partnership Grant."

Motion Carried 21-12

Moved by Councillor Harper, "that the Town of Olds, a participant, agrees to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement, governing the purpose and use of the grant funds."

Motion Carried 21-13

6D) Council Meetings

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that all Council meetings, continue to be held in accordance with the Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation, through Electronic Conferencing and be made available for the Public to HEAR live audio of each Council meeting."

Motion Carried 21-14

Moved by Councillor Thomson, "that all meetings of Town managed Authorities, Boards, Committees and Commissions continue to be held in accordance with the Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation, through Electronic Conferencing and be made available

for the Public to HEAR live audio of said meeting(s) on the Town of Olds website, if applicable.”
Motion Carried 21-15

6E) Alberta Community Partnership Grant

CAO Merritt spoke on the opportunity available through the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant Program.

Moved by Councillor Overwater, “that council authorize the Town of Olds to be the managing partner in an application for the ‘Mountain View Regional Emergency Management Framework’ to be submitted by the Town of Olds under the Intermunicipal Collaboration component of the Alberta Community Partnership Grant.”

Motion Carried 21-16

Moved by Councillor Bennett, “that the Town of Olds, the Managing Partner, agrees to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement, governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.”

Motion Carried 21-17

ADDED ITEM

6F) Operations and Capital projects Verbal Update

Director Chant spoke to the Operation Centre progress had slowed a bit with the holiday season. However, still on track with the timeline and budget and the end target date for the end of March. Director Chant noted that there is a delay in the shipping of the air handling unit and he indicated that the Project Manager will be present at the February Council Policies and Priorities Committee meeting to provide a more detailed update.

Moved by Councillor Blatz, “that Council accept the Operations and Capital Projects update for January 11, 2021, as information.”

Director Chant gave update to Council on the snow clearing/remove from the December 22, 2020 snowfall. He indicated that by the end of day tomorrow, Tuesday, the entire Town of Olds will completely be done in snow clearing and have the snow removal completed. He further noted he would bring forward a cost break down to a future council meeting.

Motion Carried 21-18

7. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

None

8. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL POSITION UPDATE

None

9. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

9A) Correspondence and Information

Moved by Councillor Bennett, “that the Correspondence and Information Report ending January 11, 2021, be received for information.”

CAO Merritt will share the City of Cold Lake, Office of the Mayor’s letter with the Director of Emergency Management.

Motion Carried 21-19

CLOSED SESSION

FOIP Section 16 – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

FOIP Section 25 – Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body

Mayor Muzychka explained the process to the meeting participants for when Council moves in and out of the Closed Session.

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Council move to closed session in accordance with section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* to discuss matters exempt from disclosure under FOIP Sections 16 & 25 at 2:40 p.m. with CAO Merritt, Director Linderman, Director Wagstaff, Director Andrew & Deputy Fire Chief Kjorsvik in attendance for the FOIP Section 25 item and for the FOIP16 item that CAO Merritt, Director Linderman and Director Wagstaff are in attendance."

Motion Carried 21-20

Director Chant and Monica Leatherdale and the general public were moved to the waiting room of the meeting platform at 2:41 p.m.

Deputy Fire Chief Kjorsvik left the closed meeting at 3:16 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "that the meeting reconvene to the regular Council meeting at 3:35 p.m."

Motion Carried 21-21

Mayor Muzychka recessed the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Administration moved the public into the waiting room at 3:45 p.m.

Mayor Muzychka reconvened the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

RISE AND REPORT

Moved by Councillor Bennett, "that Council accept the Inter-municipal Collaboration Committee (ICC) Report for information."

Motion Carried 21-22

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Council direct administration to act as discussed."

Motion Carried 21-23

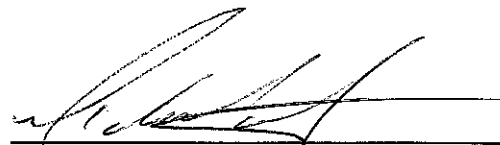
10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Overwater "that this meeting be adjourned at 3:46 p.m."

Motion Carried 21-24



Michael Muzychka,
Mayor



Michael Merritt,
Chief Administrative Officer

These minutes were approved on the twenty-fifth day of January, 2021.