

Minutes of the Town of Olds Council Policies and Priorities Committee meeting that was held on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, at the Town of Olds Municipal Office, 4512 – 46 Street, Olds, Alberta with the public body present.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

In the Chair, Deputy Mayor, Councillor James Cummings
Mayor Judy Dahl, Councillor Dan Daley, Councillor Heather Ryan and Councillor Harvey Walsh and Councillor Darren Wilson.

ABSENT- ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Councillor Wanda Blatz

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Sheena Linderman, Interim Chief Administrative Officer & Director of Finance; Doug Wagstaff, Director of Operations; Justin Andrew, Director of Protective Services; Scott Grieco, Director of Operations; and Marcie McKinnon, Legislative Clerk.

1. Call To Order

Deputy Mayor Cummings called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Special Tribute for Terry Dodd- Retired member of Olds Fire Department was made by Fire Chief Justin Andrew.

Today I would like to take a moment to recognize the passing of Mr. Terry Dodd on February 13th 2022. Terry was a volunteer firefighter in the Town of Olds for over 40 years. In that time, Terry served through the ranks including as Fire Chief for over ten years which included leading the response to the Halloween fire in 1978, which forever left its mark on our community. It was his leadership that saw the development and growth of a modern, well equipped fire service that continues to this day.

Mr. Dodd was a tireless volunteer, dedicated community leader and a gentle presence anywhere he went. Terry was a veteran of our armed forces and has been an active member of the Olds Legion Branch 105 right up until his passing.

The Town of Olds and the Olds Fire Department gratefully acknowledge his service and pass our sincere condolences to Terry's family and friends.

1A) Added Items

None requested.

1B) Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Wilson, "to accept the Policies and Priorities Committee agenda for the Monday, March 7, 2022, meeting, as presented."

Motion Carried PP22-16

2. Adoption of Previous Minutes

2A) Policies and Priorities Committee Previous Meeting Minutes

Moved by Mayor Dahl, "to accept the February 7, 2022, Council Policies and Priorities Committee minutes, as presented."

Motion Carried PP22-17

3. Reports / Statistics

3A) Town of Olds - Parks Annual Report

Director Grieco, introduced the recently hired Parks Supervisor to Council for the first time. Ms. Bobbi Jo Russell then introduced herself to Council and provided an update on the planning work being done in the Parks function area. This includes an update on the work to date and to include tree plantings, and an overview to the operations of the parks function. A PowerPoint Presentation was handed out to Council. (The meeting agenda package will be revised and updated on the website to include this PPT.)

Council discussion ensued.

Moved by Moved by Mayor Dahl, "that Council accept the Town of Olds - Parks Annual Report as presented, for information."

Motion Carried PP22-18

3B) Town of Olds - Commemorative Dates and Proclamations

Director Wagstaff came forward seeking direction from Council on proclamations to be recognized by the Town. A list of Town of Olds proclamations was handed out to Council and will be held with the minutes.

Council discussion ensued.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "that Council accept the report presented by Director Wagstaff on Commemorative Dates and Proclamations as information and that Administration bring back to a future Council meeting with "who initiated" included on list."

Motion Carried PP22-19

Director Andrew left the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

3C) Town of Olds - Cemetery Report

Mrs. Heather Dixon, Community Facilitator for Town of Olds provided the Cemetery Report to Council, as contained in the agenda package.

Council discussion ensued.

Moved by Mayor Dahl, "that Council accept the Cemetery Report as presented, for information."

Motion Carried PP22-20

3D) Town of Olds - Operations / Capital Project Monthly Update

Director Grieco provided Council with the monthly highlights of Operations and Capital projects, as contained in the agenda package.

Council discussion ensued.

Director Grieco will follow up with Alberta Transportation on Council concerns:
Speed transitions leading up to the roundabout on Highway 2A, in both directions.
Cyclists have brought concerns forward regarding uneven surfaces at the roundabout.

Moved by Councillor Daley, "that Council accept Director Grieco's report on Operations / Capital Projects for information."

Motion Carried PP22-21

Deputy Mayor Cummings obtained Committee consensus to move to agenda items 5 – 7, up on the agenda. Leaving the presentations until 1:00 p.m. as scheduled.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes / Unfinished Business

None brought forward.

5. Bylaws

None brought forward.

6. New Business

7A)6A) Alberta Municipalities Convention - Transit Resolution

Mrs. Kelly Lloyd, Coordinator of Strategic Affairs for the Town came forward and presented the proposed transit resolution for the Alberta Municipalities fall convention, she further explained the process to finalize this motion, which consists of securing a 'seconder' for the resolution and both Council's passing a motion/resolution in support, to be submitted with the Transit Resolution to Alberta Municipalities. The Alberta Municipalities fall convention is in Calgary from September 21-23, 2022.

Council discussion ensued.

Mayor Dahl left the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

Mayor Dahl rejoined the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Moved by Councillor Wilson, "that Council accept the resolution for information and request Administration bring back to a future Council meeting, with Councillor Ryan's comments included."

Motion Carried PP22-22

Deputy Mayor Cummings recessed the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Deputy Mayor Cummings reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

7. New Business

4A)7A) Delegation - UNESCO - Olds High School

Mrs. Michelle Jorgensen, Heritage Advisor for the Town of Olds came forward and introduced Mrs., Bev Toews, Coordinator for UNESCO in Olds High School. Mrs. Toews then gave a presentation to Council. It was mentioned that they are always looking for new members and or event volunteers. They do not have a website but are on Facebook. (The meeting agenda package will be revised and updated on the website to include this PPT.)

Director Andrew rejoined the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

Council discussion ensued, Mrs. Toews fielded Council queries.

Deputy Mayor Cummings thanked Mrs. Toews for her presentation.

Moved by Councillor Wilson, "that Council accept the UNESCO - Olds High School as presented, for information."

Motion Carried PP22-23

4B)7B) Delegation - Olds Municipal Library - Annual Report

Mrs. Lesley Winfield, General Manager of Olds Municipal Library was in Council Chambers and presented the Library's Annual Report to Council, as it was contained in the agenda package.

Council discussion ensued, Mrs. Winfield fielded Council queries.

Deputy Mayor Cummings thanked Mrs. Winfield for her presentation.

Moved by Mayor Dahl, "that Council accept the Olds Municipal Library - Annual Report as presented, for information."

Motion Carried PP22-24

4C)7C) Delegation - Olds Grizzlys Presentation

Director Wagstaff introduced The Friends of the Grizzlys delegation, attending to present to Council are society Director Mike Muzychka, Head Coach Scot Atkinson, and Secretary Treasurer Nikki Grover.

Mr. Muzychka, spoke on The Olds Grizzlys Jr A hockey club, how it operates as a not-for-profit society regulated under the Societies Act as the Friends of the Grizzlys Society. Coach Atkinson spoke about building the program and players, recruitment and development. Secretary Treasurer Nikki Grover spoke on the team/player involvement within the community. Mr. Muzychka addressed the request of sponsorship as noted in their correspondence in the agenda package.

Council discussion ensued and the delegation fielded council queries.

Council thanked the delegation for their presentation.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "that Council accept *The Friends of the Grizzlys* presentation for information and request that Administration bring back the sponsorship request of \$5000 to a future council meeting."

Motion Carried PP22-25

4D)7D) Delegation - Rural Health Professionals Action Plan (RhPAP)

Director Wagstaff introduced the Rural Health Professionals Action Plan (RhPAP) delegation.

Mrs. Alicia Fox, South Central Zone Representative for the Rural Health Professionals Action Plan (RhPAP) was in chambers and made presented to Council with the PowerPoint as contained in the agenda package.

Council discussion ensued and the Mrs. Fox fielded council queries.

Mrs. Fox agreed to provide the following information to Council:

Contact information for the Alberta Health Services Physician Resources Planner.

The Alberta Health Services Impact Assessment for this area.

Information on other municipalities – engagement pieces use for retention.

ICAO Linderman to confirm if physician retention falls under the Economic Development purview.

Deputy Mayor Cummings thanked Mrs. Fox for her presentation.

Moved by Councillor Walsh, "that Council accept the Rural Health Professionals Action Plan (RhPAP) report as presented, for information."

Motion Carried PP22-26

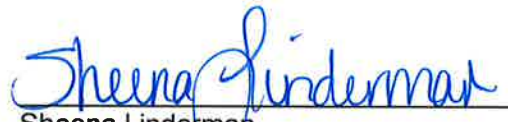
8. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Daley, "that this meeting be adjourned at 3:05 p.m."

Motion Carried PP22-27

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.


James Cummings
Deputy Mayor


Sheena Linderman,
Interim Chief Administrative Officer

These minutes were approved on 4th day of April, 2022.