

PRIOR TO ADOPTION

Minutes of the Town of Olds Regular Council meeting held on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, at the Municipal Office at 4512 – 46 Street in Olds, with the public body present at meeting location and was live streamed out.

PRESENT – ELECTED OFFICIALS:

In the Chair, Mayor Judy Dahl, Councillor Wanda Blatz, Councillor James Cummings, Councillor Dan Daley, Councillor Harvey Walsh, and Councillor Darren Wilson.

Councillor Ryan – participated virtually.

ABSENT– ELECTED OFFICIALS:

PRESENT for the Regular meeting of Council – STAFF:

Brent Williams, Chief Administrative Officer; Sheena Linderman, Director of Corporate Services; Guy Lapointe, Director of Community Services; and Marcie McKinnon, Legislative Coordinator.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dahl called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

A.) ADDED ITEM(s)

Nil

B.) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Dahl noted the following corrections to the agenda cover; #7 Adjournment should be #8 Rise & Report and then #9 Adjournment.

Mayor Dahl confirmed consensus to adopt the:

- *Regular Council Meeting Agenda for April 14, 2025, as amended*

The agenda was accepted as amended by consensus of Council.

Motion Carried 25-106

2. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2A) Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Dahl confirmed consensus to adopt the:

- *Regular Council Meeting Minutes – March 24, 2025*

The minutes were adopted by consensus as presented to Council.

Motion Carried 25-107

3. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

3A) Olds Fibre Ltd. Financials 2024 – Audited Report (Virtually)

Jeff Alliston, partner, Metrix Group was with us virtually and presented the Olds Fibre Ltd. Financial statements for the period ending November 5, 2024. These statements are being presented today as the Town of Olds was the sole shareholder of Olds Fibre Ltd. for the period of the statements January 1, 2024, to November 5, 2024.

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that the Olds Fibre Ltd. Audit Findings Report be received for information."
Motion Carried 25-108

Moved by Councillor Wilson, "that the Financial Statements for Olds Fibre Ltd. for the period ending November 5, 2024, be approved as presented."
Motion Carried 25-109

4. BYLAW

4A) Bylaw 2025-08 Land Use Bylaw 01-23 Amendment

Moved by Councillor Wilson, "that Bylaw No. 2025-08 (Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 01-23) be given first reading as presented."
Motion Carried 25-110

Moved by Councillor Daley, "that Monday, May 12, 2025, at 1:00pm in Council Chambers be set as the date, time, and place for a Public Hearing on Bylaw No. 2025-08."
Motion Carried 25-111

3B) Introduction to the Housing Strategy and Survey

Moved by Councillor Cummings, "that Council accepts the housing strategy presentation as presented."
Motion Carried 25-112

5. NEW BUSINESS

5A) Committee of the Whole – Policy Review

- 105C Communication and Response
- 117C Public Participation
- 701C Encroachment Agreements
- 703C Certificate of Compliance
- 704C Civic Addressing
- 102C Brand Standards (Rescind)
- 111C Social Media (Rescind)
- 115C Media Relations (Rescind)
- 116C Plain Language (Rescind)

Moved by Councillor Walsh, "that Council approves Policy 701C Encroachment Agreements; Policy 703C Certificates of Compliance and Policy 704C Civic Addressing, as presented with no material changes being recommended."
Motion Carried 25-113

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Council approve Policy 105C Communications and Response, and Policy 117C Public Participation, as presented."
Motion Carried 25-114

Moved by Councillor Wilson, "that Council rescinds the following four policies: 102C Brand Standards,

111C Social Media, 115C Media Relations, and 116C Plain Language.”
Motion Carried 25-115

5B) Spring Budget Adjustments

Moved by Councillor Blatz, “that Council approves the adjustments to the 2025 approved Operating Budget in the amount \$503,771 for a total 2025 Operating Budget of \$36,391,043.”
Motion Carried 25-116

Councillor Cummings left the meeting at 2:06 p.m. and returned at 2:08 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Wilson, “that Council approves the adjustments to the 2025 approved Capital Budget in the amount of \$732,065 for a total 2025 Capital Budget of \$6,256,065.”
Motion Carried 25-117

5C) Bylaw 2025-09 Tax Rate Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Daley, “that Tax Rate Bylaw 2025-09 is given first reading.”
Motion Carried 25-118

6. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

6A) Correspondence and Information

Moved by Councillor Ryan, “that the Correspondence and Information Report ending April 14, 2025, be received for information.”
Motion Carried 25-119

7. CLOSED SESSION

Item #1 FOIP s.25 Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body (Olds College)

Mayor Dahl provided directions to online meeting participants on Council moving in and out of closed session.

Moved by Councillor Daley, “that Council moves into closed session in accordance with Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act at 2:28 p.m. to discuss matters exempt from disclosure under FOIP Section 25.”
Motion Carried 25-120

The gallery was cleared, and the live stream was ended.

Moved by Councillor Blatz, “that the meeting reconvenes to the regular Council meeting at 2:51 p.m.”
Motion Carried 25-121

The gallery was opened, and the recording was resumed.

8. RISE & REPORT

Moved by Councillor Daley, "that council direct the CAO to respond to the Olds College request for the Town's strategic planning priorities as discussed."

Motion Carried 25-122

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dahl adjourned the meeting at 2:52 p.m.

Judy Dahl
Mayor

Brent Williams
Chief Administrative Officer

These minutes were approved on the ____ day of April 2025.

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