

Minutes of the Town of Olds Regular and Closed Council meeting conducted electronically through ZOOM Meetings on Monday, March 22, 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:

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

A.) ADDED ITEM(s)

None

B.) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "to accept the Council agenda for the Monday, March 22, 2021 regular council meeting, as presented."

Motion Carried 21-101

2. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2A) Regular Council Meeting Minutes from March 8, 2021

Moved by Councillor Bennett, "to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2021, as amended." (*CAO/Wagstaff, bring back with amends amendments as they have heard from council*)

Motion Carried 21-102

3. PRESENTATION AND DELEGATIONS

3A) Annexation Negotiation Report

CAO Merritt spoke to the years of process to bring forward this annexation report, and the final steps in the process are being finalized and presented to Council today.

Mrs. Wright with Parkland Community Planning Services participated online and spoke to Council on the annexation negotiation report as contained in the agenda package. She highlighted the process that the Town and County have followed in considering annexation and acts as the Town's official application to the Municipal Government Board (MGB). Mrs. Wright indicated that at their regular Council meeting on March 10, 2021, Mountain View County Council passed a resolution accepting the Annexation Negotiation Report.

A similar resolution is now required from Town of Olds Council to accept the Annexation Negotiation Report. Following this step a complete application package will be forwarded to the MGB. This package will include a cover letter, copies of the Annexation Negotiation Report, a copy of the Town's Municipal Development Plan, a copy of the Intermunicipal Development Plan, a list of the names and mailing addresses of each Annexation area landowner, and the application fee. Once the MGB receives the Town's application, they will determine if a public hearing is required and, if necessary, arrange and hold a public hearing. The decision to hold a hearing is up to the MGB.

There is no time limit for the MGB to reach its decision on the Town's application. The final decision on annexation comes from Provincial Cabinet in the form of an Order-in-Council.

Moved by Councillor Harper, "that Council approve the Annexation Negotiation Report dated February 17, 2021 by passing the resolution in attached Schedule A."

Mayor Muzychka thanked all involved in completion of this several years work to get this annexation process finalized.

Motion Carried 21-103

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Council authorize the submission of the Annexation Negotiation Report to the Municipal Government Board as the Town's formal annexation application."

Motion Carried 21-104

3B) Emergency Management Agency – COVID Update

Emergency Managements Agency's Deputy Director, Jennifer Lutz gave PowerPoint Presentation to Council on the local state of COVID-19, as contained in the agenda package.

Moved by Councillor Thomson, "that Council accept the Emergency Managements presentation on COVID-19 as information."

Motion Carried 21-105

3C) L.I.O.N.S. Pick up garbage day

Katharine Doyle, Facilitator with Town of Olds introduced Mr. Henry Czarnota with Olds Lions Club who was participating on line, he presented on the 2021 Garbage Cleanup Day in the Town of Olds as contained in the agenda package. Friday, May 13, 2021 is the date they have chosen for Pick up Garbage (PUG) day. This day coincides with the Town's clean up week. The committee is waiting to hear back from partner agencies confirming their cooperation. Mr. Czarnota spoke to the funding requesting coming to the Town for prizes cost, he further thanked Ms. Doyle for all her assistance she provides.

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Council thanks the Olds Lions Club and receive the presentation for information."

Motion Carried 21-106

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that Council directs Administration to work with the Olds Lions Club to coordinate a community garbage clean-up project within the month of May 2021, and funding in the amount of \$1000 be approved in support of this initiative.

Motion Carried 21-107

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor Ryan asked on the cost of licenses for urban chickens, expressed concerns about bringing the Rates Bylaw with these costs in the fall if program starts sooner. CAO Merritt indicated that owners will be required to get a license, however the Town will not be charging in 2021 however, the Town will determine a rate for 2022 and it would be included in the 2022 Rates Bylaw.

5. BYLAWS

5A) Bylaw 2021-01 Land Use Bylaw 01-23 Amendment – MURALS

Mayor Muzychka explained that Section 172 of the *MGA* says that you may not take part in the discussion and decision-making on any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest. The legislation attempts to ensure that you are not discriminated either for or against by virtue of your membership on council. If you have a pecuniary interest:

- You are to disclose that you have an interest and its general nature.
- You are to abstain from any discussion of the matter and from voting.
- You are to leave the room until the matter has been dealt with and you should make sure that your abstention is recorded in the minutes.

You are not to be discriminated against and are entitled to participate in a public hearing as a member of the public.

Mayor Muzychka declared this public hearing for **Bylaw No. 2021-01, open at 1:33 p.m.**

Mayor Muzychka then asked Mr. Craig Teal, Parkland Community Planning Services, to explain the purpose and effect of the proposed bylaw.

Mr. Craig Teal gave presentation on information as contained in the agenda package.

Mayor Muzychka explained that presentations before Council shall be brief and to the point and limited to five (5) minutes; Council shall not allow cross examination of persons giving information and it will not be necessary for the persons giving information to verify his or her qualifications; Council may ask questions of the speakers after each presentation for clarification purposes; no debating or questions from the floor will be allowed and no written or verbal submissions will be received by Council after the Public Hearing is closed. Person addressing Council will: state their name and address. Indicate if they are speaking on their own behalf or for a client, company or citizens group.

Mayor Muzychka called for all those in support of the proposed Bylaw to come forward.
No one came forward.

Mayor Muzychka called for a second time for all those in support of the proposed Bylaw to come forward.
No one came forward.

Mayor Muzychka called for all those opposed to the proposed Bylaw to come forward.
No one came forward.

Mayor Muzychka called for a second time for all those opposed to the proposed Bylaw to come forward.
No one came forward.

Mayor Muzychka called for all those deemed affected by the proposed Bylaw to come forward.
No one came forward.

Mayor Muzychka called for a second time for all those deemed affected by the proposed Bylaw No one came forward.

Mayor Muzychka opened the floor to Council for comments or questions.

Mayor Muzychka asked Mr. Teal if he had any further comments. Mr. Teal did not.

Mayor Muzychka declared the public hearing for **Bylaw No. 2020-01, closed at 2:08 p.m.**

Moved by Councillor Harper, "that Bylaw No. 2021-01 to amend the Land Use Bylaw be amended by removing the words "or content" in Schedule D-I: Murals Section 3.0 (7) (e) and Section 3.0 (7) (f); and further that Bylaw No 2021-01 to amend the Land Use Bylaw be amended by changing *shall* to *may* in Section 3.0, (8); and further that the numbering be corrected to include a point (3) in Section 3.0."

Motion Carried 21-108

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "that Bylaw No. 2021-01, as amended, be given second reading.

Motion Carried 21-109

Moved by Councillor Bennett, "that Bylaw No. 2021-01, as amended, be given third reading.

Motion Carried 21-110

6. NEW BUSINESS

6A) Proclamation – Green Shirt Day April 7

Moved by Councillor Thomson, "that Tuesday, April 7, 2021, be proclaimed as Green Shirt Day in the Town of Olds."

Motion Carried 21-111

6B) Public At Large Appointment - Public Art Advisory Committee

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "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 Section 17 at 2:17 p.m.

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

CAO Merritt, Director Wagstaff and the Marcie McKinnon remained in attendance for the closed session."

Motion Carried 21-112

Directors Linderman, Chant, Andrew and Monica Leatherdale along with the general public were moved to the waiting room of the meeting platform at 2:18 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that the meeting reconvene to the regular Council meeting at 2:23 p.m."

Motion Carried 21-113

Mayor Muzychka recessed the meeting at 2:23 p.m.

Mayor Muzychka reconvened the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Administration moved the public from the waiting room back to the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Mayor Muzychka reconvened the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that Judy Douglas be appointed to the Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC), for a term of seven (7) months, to expire at the 2021 Organizational Meeting."

Motion Carried 21-114

7. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

7A) Reports from Council, Boards and Committees

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that the reports from Council, Authorities, Boards, Committees and Commissions ending March 22, 2021 be received for information.

Councillor Overwater noted she emailed her written report to Council prior to the meeting (*report will be held with the minutes*); she reported on the Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association meeting, and spoke on participating as a Judge for the Air Cadets #185 Public Speaking Event, she attended all council meetings, as well as the Olds and District Chamber of Commerce AGM, the RMA Conference, the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) meeting, the Olds Police Advisory Committee (OPAC) meeting and the Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC) meeting.

Councillor Thomson attended many of the same meetings mentioned and noted he also sent his written report to Council prior to the meeting (*report will be held with the minutes*) he reported on attending the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) meeting, he indicated that the Citizens on Patrol Committee meeting should be forthcoming, as they are waiting for COVID restrictions to relax and he spoke on attending the RMA Conference, attending all council meetings and the Olds and District Chamber of Commerce AGM.

Councillor Blatz indicated she will submit her written report in due course, she attended all council meetings, the Council Broadband Investment Committee meetings, the provincial budget session, the Red Deer River Municipal Users Group meetings, attended the Olds College Town Hall, and the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) meeting. Councillor Blatz noted that March 22 is World Water Day.

Councillor Harper spoke on attending all council meetings, the Olds and District Chamber of Commerce AGM, the Mountain View Regional Water Commission Meeting she noted that AGM is April 14, 2021 and she attended Inter-municipal Cooperation Committee (ICC) meetings.

Councillor Ryan noted she emailed her written report to Council prior to the meeting (*report will be held with the minutes*); she reported on attending the Innisfail Rural Crime Watch meeting with Councillor Overwater, the Olds Municipal Library Board AGM, attended all the council meetings, the Olds and District Chamber of Commerce AGM, and CAO Evaluation committee meetings.

Councillor Bennett noted that she too has attended many of the already mentioned meetings and all council meetings, Inter-municipal Cooperation Committee (ICC) meetings and the Olds Institute meeting.

Mayor Muzychka attended many of the aforementioned meetings, he noted that he spoke at the Olds and District Chamber of Commerce AGM, attended the RMA Conference, and the AUMA Economic and Resilience Task Force meeting.

Motion Carried 21-115

8. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL POSITION UPDATE

9. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

9A) Correspondence and Information

CAO Merritt spoke to the items contained in the agenda package for council's information.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "that the Correspondence and Information Report ending March 22, 2021, be received for information."

Motion Carried 21-116

Council thanked Mr. Muir for the correspondence he sent to all the elected officials.

CLOSED SESSION

FOIP Section 17 – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy

FOIP Section 25 – Disclosure harmful to economic interests of 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 Overwater, "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 17 & 25 at 3:02 p.m. with CAO Merritt, Director Linderman, Director Andrew and Marcie McKinnon to remain in attendance.

Motion Carried 21-117

Directors Chant and Wagstaff, and Monica Leatherdale and the general public were moved to the waiting room of the meeting platform at 3:02 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Thomson, "that the meeting reconvene to the regular Council meeting at 3:42 p.m."

Motion Carried 21-118

Mayor Muzychka recessed the meeting at 3:42 p.m.

Mayor Muzychka reconvened the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Administration moved the public from the waiting room back to the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

RISE AND REPORT

Moved by Councillor Overwater, "that Town Council respect Mountain View County Council's decision to end voluntary negotiations of our Fire Services Sub-agreement and that the Town of Olds resolves to enter into Step Two Mediation, outlined in Section 19 of our Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) Agreement."

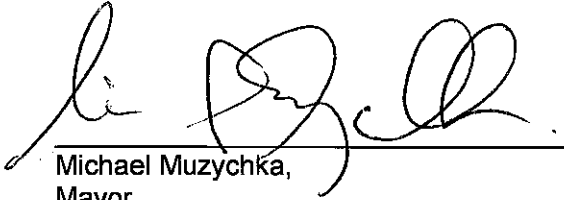
Motion Carried 21-119

Moved by Councillor Blatz, "that Town Council requests that Mountain View County accepts this motion as our request to commence to the mediation step in our mutually agreed upon dispute resolution process."

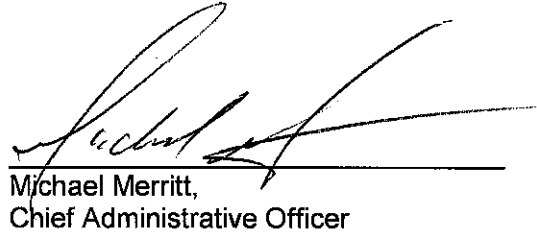
Motion Carried 21-120

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Ryan, "that this meeting be adjourned at 3:57 p.m."
Motion Carried 21-121



Michael Muzychka,
Mayor



Michael Merritt,
Chief Administrative Officer

These minutes were approved on the twelfth day of April, 2021.