

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BONNYVILLE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2019 COMMENCING AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT Mayor Gene Sobolewski, Councillors: Rene Van Brabant, Ray Prevost, Lorna Storoschuk, Brian McEvoy, Elisa Brosseau and Chad Colbourne

STAFF Mark Power- Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Bill Rogers – Assistant Chief Administrative Officer (ACAO), Joe Kopala, Building Safety Codes Manager, and Lorna Wagner, Records Management Clerk

PRESS Robynne Henry – Bonnyville Nouvelle
Mike Marshall – Country 99

GUESTS Vicky Lefebvre, Board Chair, Northern Lights Library System
Julie Walker, Executive Director, Northern Lights Library System

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL Mayor Sobolewski called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:30 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – June 25, 2019 170 **Moved by Councillor Ray Prevost** that the agenda for the June 25, 2019 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – June 11, 2019 171 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that the minutes of the June 11, 2019 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATION

Northern Lights Library System – Vicky Lefebvre, Board Chair & Julie Walker, Executive Director

Vicky Lefebvre, Board Chair, Northern Lights Library System thanked Council for the opportunity for her and Julie Walker, Executive Director to present the many services and utilities that the Northern Lights Library System offers to the consortium of Libraries in the region.

Julie Walker, Executive Director, Northern Lights Library System, reported that the Town of Bonnyville's Library patrons have accessed the many varied services provided at a lower cost because of the consortium. This includes many new book titles, business training programs, digital audio, video, and book files, they also have 200 new magazine subscriptions for



**Northern Lights Library
System – Vicky Lefebvre,
Board Chair & Julie Walker,
Executive Director**

the patrons to access and it is all available with their library membership cards.
Julie Walker stated that the Northern Lights Library System has a lot to offer at a low cost to individual members.

Mayor Sobolewski thanked Vicky Lefebvre and Julie Walker and they left the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

**MUNICIPAL PLANNING
COMMISSION**

See Separate Minutes

**MUNICIPAL PLANNING
COMMISSION**

- 172 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that Council adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council and go into the Municipal Planning Commission meeting.

Time: 5:55 p.m.

CARRIED

**MUNICIPAL PLANNING
COMMISSION**

- 173 **Moved by Councillor Ray Prevost** that Council adjourn the Municipal Planning Commission meeting and return to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Time 5:57 p.m.

CARRIED

Joe Kopala, Building Safety Codes Manager left the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

BUSINESS

**Cancellation of July 23 and
August 13 Regular Council
Meetings**

- 174 **Moved by Councillor Ray Prevost** that Council approve the cancellation of the Regular Council Meetings of July 23 and August 13, 2019.

CARRIED

**August 27 Council Meeting
Early Start Time**

Councillor Storoschuk reported that on August 27, 2019 the day of the next upcoming regular Council meeting after Summer break, she and Councillors Brosseau and McEvoy will be attending an Aboriginal Consultation/Negotiating a Consultation Agreement Workshop at 9 a.m. on Wednesday August 28th-29th, 2019 in Edmonton; and that she proposes a motion to start the August 27, 2019 Regular Council meeting at 5:00 p.m. so that they can travel that evening to Edmonton.

- 175 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that Council agree to starting the August 27, 2019 Regular Council meeting early at 5:00 p.m. to accommodate the Councillors request to leave early the same evening to travel to Edmonton for the Aboriginal Consultation/Negotiating a Consultation Agreement Workshop.



Holiday Signing Authority

CARRIED

Mark Power, CAO, stated that approval is required to identify which members of Administration have authority to sign cheques, agreements etc. during the absence of the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Finance while on annual holidays.

- 176 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that Council appoint Bill Rogers, ACAO and Katherine Currie, Director of Planning and Development as alternates for signing authority for the Town of Bonnyville for the period of July 2019 – August 2019, and for Mayor Sobolewski and Deputy Mayor Brosseau to coordinate planning their holiday schedules during the same period to be available for signing.

CARRIED

Muni-Corr Alternate Member Appointment

Ray Prevost advised that he will unfortunately not be able to attend the next Muni-Corr meeting scheduled for July 8, 2019.

Mayor Sobolewski stated that he asked Councillor McEvoy to be an Alternate at the Muni-Corr meeting for July 8, 2019.

Discussion ensued.

- 177 **Moved by Councillor Ray Prevost** that Council appoint Councillor Brian McEvoy as an Alternate Muni-Corr Member for the July 8, 2019 Muni-Corr meeting.

CARRIED

Regulations on Liquor Consumption in Municipal Parks

Mark Power, CAO, reviewed the Request for Decision with respect to the request from the Provincial Government for Councils to review local Municipal Regulations on Liquor Consumption in Municipal Parks,

Currently Alberta's Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act provides park owners, including Municipalities, the option to designate picnic areas where alcohol and food can be consumed.

The Government of Alberta is encouraging Municipalities to evaluate whether more relaxed provisions regarding alcohol consumption in Municipal parks makes sense for our community and if so, to consider making changes to our Policies and Bylaws to implement these changes.



**Regulations on Liquor
Consumption in Municipal
Parks**

- 178 **Moved by Councillor Ray Prevost** that Council refer the request to the Community Policing Committee to review with local Law Enforcement as well as possibly engage the community on whether consumption of alcohol with food should be allowed in parks inside the Town of Bonnyville.

CARRIED

**Support for Alberta Rural
Development Network
Homelessness Grant**

Alberta Rural Development Network (ARDN) has issued a call for proposals for a Rural Homelessness Project with a deadline for application of June 28, 2019. Bonnyville & District F.C.S.S. is submitting a proposal for funding to ARDN and is requesting a Letter of Support from Council.

**Support for Alberta Rural
Development Network
Homelessness Grant**

- 179 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that Council approve writing a support letter for FCSS to the Alberta Rural Development Network (ARDN) for the Rural Homelessness Project grant.

CARRIED

Spay and Neuter Clinic

An email was received from Silke Skinner, Lakeland Rural Cat Spay and Neuter Clinic requesting the Town to participate in the Spay and Neuter Clinic.

Discussion ensued.

- 180 **Moved by Councillor Elisa Brosseau** that Council decline the proposal for the Town of Bonnyville to participate in a Lakeland Rural Cat Spay and Neuter Clinic run by the Lakeland Cat Clinic.

CARRIED

**Bill 7 – Property Tax
Incentives Amendment Act**

Mark Power, CAO, presented the Staff Recommendation providing information to Council so that they may have a discussion with respect to Bill 7.

After extensive discussion, Council agreed that Bill 7 if it passes the third reading and goes to Royal Assent, will likely be amended; as it stands, it has too many grey areas that do not define which businesses would benefit from this. It was also agreed that the Municipalities would have to develop their own Bylaws that will set parameters for any businesses that might qualify. Council felt that it would be beneficial to talk to local business owners, other municipalities, and taxpayers for feedback and for Council to weigh the pros and cons and set the criteria.

Bill Rogers, ACAO left the meeting at 6:47 p.m. and returned to the meeting at 6:50 p.m.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Rene Van Brabant

Councillor Van Brabant attended the Goodridge Fire Department barbeque, the Bonnyville and District Oil and Gas Show, a Bonnyville Regional Fire Authority meeting, the Barbeque Fundraiser for the Fallen Four Monument, a meeting with the Municipal District of Bonnyville at Shaw House regarding the Vezeau Beach Campground, and Toxic Roundup.

Councillor Elisa Brosseau

Councillor Brosseau attended the Kleinmann Cup Golf Tournament, the Bonnyville and District Oil and Gas Show Opening Ceremony and Trade show. She also attended the Family Community Support Service Regular Board meeting, and she reported that they have a Block Party Program Grant of \$100.00 per block, and there are larger grants available to larger groups. Councillor Brosseau also attended the Fundraiser Barbeque for the Fallen Four Monument, an Economic Development meeting with Councillor Colbourne, the Elected Officials Roles and Responsibilities Workshop in Elk Point, and a Library Webinar.

Councillor Ray Prevost

Councillor Prevost attended Glendon's Deputy Mayor Scott Lundgren's funeral, a Bonnylodge Construction meeting, the Bonnyville Regional Fire Authority meeting, the Kleinmann Cup Golf Tournament, the Lakeland Lodge and Housing Board meeting, the Bonnyville and District Oil and Gas Show, the Fundraiser Barbeque for the Fallen Four Monument, and a meeting with the MD of Bonnyville regarding the Vezeau Beach Campground at Shaw House.

Mayor Gene Sobolewski

Mayor Sobolewski attended a Physician Recruitment meeting, the 252 Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Huron Annual Ceremonial Review, the Kleinmann Cup Dinner, the Bonnyville and District Oil and Gas Show Opening Ceremony, a meeting with the MD of Bonnyville, the Bonnyville Regional Fire Authority Board meeting, the Pipe Ceremony at the Centennial Centre for National Indigenous Peoples Day, and the Grand March at the Saddle Lake Pow Wow.

Councillor Chad Colbourne

Councillor Colbourne attended the Physician Recruitment meeting, the Bonnyville Oil and Gas Grand Opening, the Fundraiser Barbeque for the Fallen Four Monument, brought greetings to the Bonnyville Centralized High School Graduation Ceremony, a meeting with the Bonnyville and District Centennial Centre regarding the Bingo Hall, and an Economic Development meeting with Councillor Brosseau. Councillor Colbourne also attended a Bonnyville and District Leisure Facility Corporation Board meeting and the Elected Officials Roles and Responsibilities Workshop in Elk Point.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MJP', located in the bottom right corner of the page.

Councillor Lorna Storoschuk

Councillor Storoschuk attended Glendon's Deputy Mayor Scott Lundgren's funeral. She also attended a Lakeland Industry and Community Association Regular Board meeting, an Alberta Care Regular Zone meeting, the Kleinmann Cup Golf Tournament, the Bonnyville and District Oil and Gas Show Reception and Trade Show, a Bonnyville and District Historical Society Regular Board meeting, and a Family Community Support Services Regular Board meeting.

Councillor Storoschuk also attended the Pipe Ceremony at the Centennial Centre for National Indigenous Peoples Day, a Fundraiser Barbeque for the Fallen Four Monument, and returned to the Centennial Centre for the Grand Entry for National Indigenous Peoples Day.

She also attended Toxic Roundup, the Bonnyville Community Church Luncheon celebrating Pastor Ken Jagessar for 40 years of service being a Pastor and the Elected Officials Roles and Responsibilities Workshop in Elk Point, and a Library Webinar.

Councillor Brian McEvoy

Councillor McEvoy attended the Physician Recruitment meeting, the Bonnyville and District Oil and Gas Show Reception and Trade Show, Toxic Roundup, and Responsibilities Workshop in Elk Point.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**Child & Adolescent Mental Health Collaborative – 3 Year Anniversary**

A poster was received stating that The Child & Adolescent Mental Health Collaborative was 3 years old on June 7, 2019.

Council accepted this for information.

Thank You – 2019 Mini Wetlands Tournament

A Letter was received thanking the Town for their sponsorship of the 2019 Mini Wetlands Tournament held in Bonnyville on June 8, 2019.

Council accepted this letter for information.

QUESTIONS

Councillor Van Brabant asked who was responsible for ensuring trees are trimmed back around the Super Mailboxes, he stated that there are trees overgrown in some areas of Town and there are some dead trees?

Mark Power, CAO, stated that he would have Public Works and the Community Police Officer check into this.

Councillor Van Brabant asked to have a discussion on the next Agenda about requesting the Province to enact no left turns on Main Street during the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the traffic lights?



QUESTIONS

Councillor Chad Colbourne asked if Council should drop the amount of Council members on the Aquatics Committee from 4 to 2 members and requested to add this to the next Council meeting Agenda?

Councillor Ray Prevost asked when the new Town Hall was planning a grand opening?

Mark Power, CAO, reported that the work on the exit door in the lower ground floor was finished recently and that the Grand Opening will be referred to the Town Hall Building Committee.

Councillor Brian McEvoy asked if help from Council to prepare the Town of Bonnyville float for Canada Day was needed?

Bill Rogers, A CAO, stated that the staff had the parade float decorating almost complete and would not require any extra help at this time.

Councillor McEvoy asked if Town Council would be handing out carnations to the Seniors this year during the parade?

Extensive discussion ensued.

Flowers for Seniors – Canada Parade - Added to Agenda for June 25, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

- 181 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** to add the subject of handing out Flowers for Seniors during the Canada Day Parade to the Agenda.

CARRIED

Councillor Chad Colbourne left the meeting at 7:15 p.m. and returned to the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Flowers for Seniors – Canada Day Parade

- 182 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that Council put flowers on the parade float to hand out to seniors; Councillors will disembark off the Town Float by the Extencicare and Councillor Prevost will submit the invoice he has for reimbursement for the flowers he purchased already.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

- 183 **Moved by Councillor Elisa Brosseau** that Council adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council and go In Camera, pursuant to Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, and Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information & Protection of Privacy Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.

Time: 7:31 p.m.

CARRIED



IN CAMERA

- 184 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that Council adjourn In Camera and return to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Time: 8:54 p.m.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

- 185 **Moved by Councillor Elisa Brosseau** that the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned.

Time: 8:54 p.m.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes read and adopted this 9th day of July, 2019.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer