

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BONNYVILLE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020 COMMENCING AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor Gene Sobolewski, Councillors Ray Prevost, Lorna Storoschuk, Brian McEvoy, Elisa Brosseau and Chad Colbourne

REGRETS

Councillor Rene Van Brabant

STAFF

Bill Rogers – Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Mark Power – Advisor to the Chief Administrative Officer, Bonnie Wood – CHS Manager, and Tracy Ghostkeeper – Executive Assistant

GUESTS

Jay Melvin – Chief – Bonnyville Regional Fire Authority
Mark Laver – Economic Development Officer
Neil Langridge – Bonnyville Pontiacs

PRESS

Michael Menzies, Lakeland Connect

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Mayor Gene Sobolewski called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 6:01 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – July 14, 2020

- 226 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that the agenda for the July 14, 2020 Regular Council meeting be adopted with the following amendments:

5f) Ronald McDonald House Charity Golf Classic

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – June 23, 2020

- 227 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that the minutes of the June 23, 2020 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

- 228 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that Neil Langridge from the Bonnyville Pontiacs be accepted as a Delegation, and that the item be moved up on the Agenda.

CARRIED

DELEGATION

Bonnyville Pontiacs – Sponsorship

Neil Langridge with the Bonnyville Pontiacs presented the details of the Ambassador Initiative, which they are hoping the Town will contribute too. The Town contribution would increase by \$10,000.00 to a total of \$15,000.00 that would go towards decreasing the cost of tickets for residents by \$3.00 per ticket for Adult, Senior, Student and Youth.

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Bonnyville Pontiacs – Sponsorship

Mayor Sobolewski asked if they will even have a season at this point, and how would social distancing rules affect their attendance.

Neil Langridge stated that the season is contingent on restrictions set forth by Hockey Alberta and Junior Hockey Association.

Councillor Storoschuk asked if this program is completely different from the student tickets that we sponsored previously for \$5,000.00.

Neil Langridge stated that this is a totally different program and the Pontiacs would be looking to the community to cover the student ticket sponsorship that the Town previously covered.

Councillor Prevost asked what would happen if events are shut down again due to COVID.

Neil Langridge stated that if the season were to be shut down, the sponsorship money would be returned to the Town. Should the season be delayed the league is already looking at moving missed games from the beginning of the season to the end of the season and they have looked at doing this right up to December and running the season until June if needed.

Mayor Sobolewski stated that he would like to see the Season Tickets for the Town, that would be part of the new sponsorship be given back to the organization for donation.

- 229 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that Council approve the sponsorship of the Ambassador Program at a cost of \$15,000.00 for the Bonnyville Pontiacs and that the Season tickets given to the Town with the sponsorship be given back to the Pontiacs for donation.

CARRIED

Neil Langridge, Bonnyville Pontiacs, left the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

See Separate Minutes

- 230 **Moved by Councillor Ray Prevost** that Council adjourn the Regular Council Meeting and go into the Municipal Planning Commission meeting.

Time: 6:02 p.m.

CARRIED



**MUNICIPAL PLANNING
COMMISSION**

- 231 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that Council adjourn the Municipal Planning Commission meeting and return to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Time 6:08 p.m.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

**Paving Slawuta Pond Parking
Lot**

A request was received from the Superintendent of the Catholic School Board requesting permission to pave the Slawuta Pond parking lot with infrastructure grant funding that they received from the Province. Since the Town previously had this parking lot under a Recreation Lease from the Province of Alberta and this Lease was allowed to expire, it was our understanding that the Province would need to approve this request.

As a result, we contacted the Province to see whether it would be permissible for the Catholic School Division to proceed with paving the parking area and what would be required in order to obtain approval. It was determined that the parking lot in question is located on lands outside of the Environmental Reserve, which was part of the old lease area. As a result, the lands between the ER have been acceded to the Town of Bonnyville according to their compliance lands officer and are in the Town of Bonnyville's care and control.

In July of 2015, the Town of Bonnyville entered into a Lease Agreement with the Lakeland Catholic School District No. 150 with regard to leasing them the parking lot, basically in exchange for them looking after, maintaining and keeping clean the parking lot area. As such they require our permission in order to proceed with paving the parking lot.

Mayor Sobolewski stated he would like confirmation from the Alberta Environment and Parks Land Department before approving this project.

Discussion ensued.

- 232 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that Council grant permission to the Lakeland Catholic School Division to proceed with paving the Slawuta Pond parking lot subject to a proper drainage plan being prepared for the site and it being constructed in accordance with the Towns Minimum Design Standards.

WITHDRAWN

Councillor Brian McEvoy withdrew his previous motion.



Paving Slawuta Pond Parking Lot

- 233 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that Council table this item until confirmation of ownership of land is confirmed by the Land Division of Alberta Environment and Parks.

CARRIED

Letter from Samson, Cardinal Families and Response from the Town.

Mayor Sobolewski stated that he had an interview with Global News regarding the letter that was sent and the Towns response. He also stated that the Widow of one of the victims has asked for a private meeting to have a discussion as well.

Revision to Occupational Health and Safety Policy 15-OHS-069.

Bonnie Wood, CHS Manager stated that after conducting a Safety Audit in February of 2020, the Safety Department established an Action Plan to correct some minor deficiencies.

One of which was the lack of Senior Managements involvement in the Formal Inspection Process which is a legislative requirement. Taking part in the Formal Inspection Process demonstrates a commitment to safety and is also identified on the Safety Audit Tool as an essential component.

Part 3 under the Hazard Assessments can be removed and located to the appendix as it is the Field Level Task Hazard Form which may change from time to time to reflect legislative changes or Municipal Directives.

- 234 **Moved by Councillor Ray Prevost** that Council approve the revisions to the Occupational Health and Safety Policy 15-OHS-069.

CARRIED

Bonnie Wood, CHS Manager, left the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce Appointment

- 235 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that Councillor Colbourne be removed and Councillor Van Brabant be appointed to the Bonnyville Chamber of Commerce Board.

Ronald McDonald Charity Golf Tournament – August 15, 2020

Mayor Sobolewski and Councillors Storoschuk and Colbourne volunteered to participate in the Tournament.

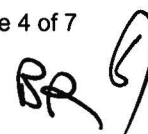
- 236 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that Council register a team of 4 for \$400.00 and obtain the Kid Hero Sponsorship at a cost of \$500.00 for a total of \$900.00.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Ray Prevost

Councillor Prevost attended the Jason Kenney Relaunch Address, a joint meeting with the Historical Society, Catholic Church and Lakeland Lodge and Housing, a meeting to



Councillor Ray Prevost

discuss the Samson/Cardinal Family letter and the meeting with RCMP Lead Investigator from the Special Crimes Unit.

Councillor Elisa Brosseau

Councillor Brosseau attended the meet and greet with the new representative from Alberta Counsel, Strategic Planning for FCSS (Family & Community Support Services) and the Jason Kenney Relaunch Address. She also attended an ABMA (Bilingual Association of Alberta Municipalities) Strategic Planning meeting, the meeting with RCMP Lead Investigator from the Special Crimes Unit, a Regional Economic Development meeting and a Bonnyville Municipal Library Board meeting.

Mayor Gene Sobolewski

Mayor Sobolewski attended the meet and greet with the new representative from Alberta Counsel, dealing with residents regarding the Registries Office in Town, a meeting with the Chamber Executive and an interview with CFCW Radio. He also attended the meeting to discuss the Samson/Cardinal Family letter, the meeting with RCMP Lead Investigator from the Special Crimes Unit, and an interview with Global News TV.

Councillor Chad Colbourne

Councillor Colbourne will update Council at the next meeting.

Councillor Lorna Storoschuk

Councillor Storoschuk attended the meet and greet with the new representative from Alberta Counsel, a Bonnyville & District Daycare Board meeting, the FCSS Strategic Planning and Regular Board meeting and the Northern Lights Library System Board Budget Zoom meeting. She also attended the LICA (Lakeland Industry & Community Association) Board photo shoot and the Jason Kenney Relaunch Address. the joint meeting with the Historical Society, Catholic Church and Lakeland Lodge and Housing, a meeting to discuss the Samson/Cardinal Family letter, an ABCARE (Alberta Coordinated Action for Recycling Enterprises) Conference call and the Bonnyville Municipal Library Board meeting.

Councillor Brian McEvoy

Councillor McEvoy attended several of the meetings and events mentioned by Council as well as the AB HUB Annual General Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

Alberta Infrastructure Act and 20-year Strategic Capital Plan: Engagement Opportunity

An email was received from Minister Prasad Panda regarding a survey regarding the Infrastructure Act and 20-Year Strategic Capital Plan.

Council accepted this email for information.



**Alberta Municipal Affairs –
Shovel Ready Projects**

A letter was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding Shovel Ready projects and funding for those projects.

Council accepted this letter for information.

**RCMP - Positive Ticket
Initiative**

The Bonnyville RCMP and Victim Services are launching their Second Annual Positive Ticket Initiative from July 13 to September 13, 2020.

Council accepted this for information.

**Proclamation – National
Drowning Prevention Week**

Mayor Sobolewski proclaimed July 19-25, 2020 National Drowning Prevention Week in the Town of Bonnyville.

QUESTIONS

No questions asked.

IN CAMERA

In addition to all of Council present, Bill Rogers, CAO, Mark Power, Advisor to the CAO and Renee Stoyles, Director of Finance attended the In-Camera session to provide Administrative and Procedural support.

IN CAMERA

- 237 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that Council close the meeting to the public for Agenda items 12a) ID349, 12b) Land and 12c) Land as per Section 27, FOIP.

Time: 7:06 p.m.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

- 238 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that Council adjourn In Camera and return to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Time: 7:43 p.m.

CARRIED

- 239 **Moved by Councillor Chad Colbourne** that Council appoint Louis White-Gibbs to the Downtown Revitalization Committee.

CARRIED

- 240 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that Council appoint Councillor Elisa Brosseau to the Downtown Revitalization Committee.

CARRIED

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'RR' followed by a large, stylized '9' or 'G'.


ADJOURNMENT

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

Time: 7:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Minutes read and adopted this 26th day of AUGUST, 2020.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer