

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BONNYVILLE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 COMMENCING AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor Elisa Brosseau: Councillors David Sharun, Brian McEvoy, Phil Kushnir, Byron Johnson, Kayla Blanchette, Neil Langridge.

STAFF

Bill Rogers – Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Robynne Henry – Communications Coordinator and Tracy Ghostkeeper – Executive Assistant (Virtual)

GUESTS

Stephen Slawuta – RC Strategies
Shaun Visser – BR2
Regional Aquatic Center Committee: Andrea Woods, Janelle Fox, Cindy Turner and Marguerite Ducharme

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Mayor Elisa Brosseau called the Special Meeting of Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – JANUARY 18, 2022

013 **Moved by Councillor Brian McEvoy** that the agenda for the January 18, 2022 Special Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATION

Pool Feasibility Study – Stephen Slawuta & Shaun Visser

Stephen Slawuta, RC Strategies and Shaun Visser, BR2, presented to Council the Pool Feasibility Study that was completed. The presentation included: Project Process Review, Program and Concepts, Estimated Financial Impacts and Suggested Next Steps.

Councillor Sharun stated that he has concerns with Option one and the impact on the parking lot.

Stephen Slawuta, RC Strategies, stated that as these are concept drawings, they can be revised to integrate more parking. He also stated that a detailed design would be the next step.

Regional Aquatics Centre Committee member, Andrea Woods, asked how many people the viewing area in option two would hold, as the size looks like a concern.

Stephen Slawuta, RC Strategies, stated that it would depend on the type of seating that was put in, however, approximately 50 chairs would fit comfortably, and more people would fit if it was bleacher seating.

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Visser**

Shaun Visser, BR2, stated that the next steps for the project would be: Confirming a funding model for Capital and Operations, furthering the design, completing a detailed business plan, including staffing plan, confirm a detailed design and commencing construction and opening the facility.

Councillor Kushnir asked if the number of people who responded to the public consultation was in favor of a new pool.

Stephen Slawuta, RC Strategies, stated that a majority of those who responded were in favor of a new Aquatic Centre.

Councillor Kushnir asked if it has been discussed if a Centennial Centre membership would include access to the new pool.

Councillor Johnson responded that nothing has been discussed, however, it would be Administration at the Centennial Centre to draft a model for the memberships.

Councillor Kushnir asked if there was an idea on the timeline going forward.

Shaun Visser, BR2, stated that it is possible to be at the Tender package stage by the end of the year 2022, and be ready for groundbreaking by the spring of 2023.

Shaun Visser, BR2, also stated that he had the opportunity to tour some facilities in Europe that have state of the art equipment and there may be a possibility to have some of that technology at our pool at a discounted cost, as those companies are looking to break into the Canadian market.

- 014 **Moved by Councillor Neil Langridge** that Council accept the Pool Feasibility Study as presented.

CARRIED

- 015 **Moved by Councillor Byron Johnson** that Council support in principle, construction of a new Aquatics Center, to be located at the Bonnyville and District Centennial Centre- subject to a partnership agreement with the M.D. of Bonnyville for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the new facility, and also subject to successful realization of grant funding from the Provincial and/or Federal Governments to assist in construction costs

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

016 **Moved by Councillor Phil Kushnir** that the Special Meeting of Council be adjourned.

Time: 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Minutes read and adopted this 25th day of January, 2022.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer