



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BONNYVILLE

Tuesday, February 14, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
4917 49 Avenue
Bonnyville, Alberta

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

STAFF: Bill Rogers - Chief Administrative Officer, Renee Stoyles - General Manager of Corporate Services, Jeannine Chornohos - Finance Director, Lorna Wagner - Records Management Clerk, Ted Traikovski - General Manager of Planning and Community Services, Brad Trimble - General Manager of Operations and Engineering, Joe Kopala - Building Safety Codes Manager, Robynne Henry - Communications Coordinator

GUESTS: Scott Cyr, Dan Heney - Regional Fire Chief, Courtney Nielson - Lakeland Connect

1. **Call To Order**

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

2. **Indigenous Land Acknowledgement**

Mayor Brosseau read the following land acknowledgement: As we gather, we are reminded that the Town of Bonnyville is situated on Treaty 6 land, that is steeped in rich Indigenous history and is the traditional homeland and home to First Nations and Metis People today. We respect the histories, languages and cultures of First Nations, Metis and all First Peoples of Canada, whose presence continues to enrich our community.

3. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Motion No. 038

Moved by: Councillor Kayla Blanchette

That the agenda for the February 14, 2023 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. Adoption of the Minutes

4.a Council Meeting Minutes

Motion No. 039

Moved by: Councillor Byron Johnson

THAT the minutes of the January 24, 2023 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. Subdivision Approving Authority - See Separate Agenda

5.a Move to Subdivision Approving Authority Meeting

Motion No. 040

Moved by: Councillor Brian McEvoy

THAT Council adjourn the Regular Council Meeting and enter into a Subdivision Approving Authority Meeting. Time: 6:02 p.m.

CARRIED

5.b Adjourn Subdivision Approving Authority Meeting

Motion No. 041

Moved by: Councillor Brian McEvoy

THAT the Subdivision Approving Authority be adjourned and Council enter into the Regular Meeting of Council. Time: 6:05 p.m.

CARRIED

6. Bylaws

6.a Request for Decision - 1st Reading - Bylaw No. 1543-23 - Solid Waste Bylaw

Brad Trimble, General Manager of Operations and Engineering, stated that our current consolidated Garbage Bylaw No. 963-87 was originally created in 1987 and requires updating as it doesn't address our current method of pick-up using carts and only references back alley pick-up. Proposed changes involve replacing the old Bylaw with a new updated Bylaw to match current operations, vocabulary, referenced legislation and provincial departments. It also updates all of the fine amounts to current values, as well as add as new section that addresses Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection.

Motion No. 042

Moved by: Councillor Brian McEvoy

THAT Council provide first reading to Bylaw No. 1543-23 – Solid Waste Bylaw.

CARRIED

7. Finance

7.a Request for Decision - Property Tax Exemption

Administration received an application from the Bonnyville & District Chamber of Commerce requesting property tax exemption for their property located at 5014-50 Avenue. Section 362(1)(n)(iii)(B) of the Municipal Government Act provides that property used for a charitable or benevolent purpose that is for the benefit of the general public and owned by a non-profit organization is exempt from taxation.

To assist in this determination, the Property Tax Exemption Regulation has been passed; based on the criteria established in the regulation, it would appear that the Bonnyville & District Chamber of Commerce qualifies under this section of the act and therefore would be exempt. The regulation also provides that Council can make the determination with respect to the status of the organization for a period of up to three years.

Motion No. 043

Moved by: Councillor David Sharun

THAT Council Exempt the property that is owned by the Bonnyville and District Chamber of Commerce located at 5014-50 Avenue from all property tax, excluding Local Improvement tax for the years 2023, 2024 and 2025 pursuant to Section 362 (1) (n) (iii) (B) of the Municipal Government Act.

CARRIED

8. Business

8.a Request for Decision - Invitation and Sponsorship - Portage College Student Scholarship Fundraising Dinner - March 23, 2023

Administration received a letter with Sponsorship Package from Rick Flumian, Manager of Community Relations, Portage inviting Council to their Student Scholarship Fundraising Dinner being held at the Portage College Lac La Biche Campus on Friday, March 3rd, 2023. The purpose of this fundraiser is to raise money for Portage College Student Scholarships.

Motion No. 044

Moved by: Councillor Brian McEvoy

THAT Council purchase a table of eight to attend the Portage College Student Scholarship Fundraising Dinner at a cost of \$1,000.00 to come from the Council Receptions and Public Relations budget.

CARRIED

8.b Request for Decision - Wheel Loader Replacement

Brad Trimble, General Manager of Operations and Engineering, stated that Council approval is required for all Capital Budget purchases before final budget and when prices received are over the budgeted amount. The current Volvo wheel loader was purchased in 2013 and the current policy is to replace equipment based on a 10 year life cycle.

In January 2023, the Town tendered for a similar sized wheel loader with a budget amount of \$300,000 as part of the Capital Equipment Replacement Program. The lowest bid was received by Chinook (Hyundai) at \$313,800.00 and the highest was received by SMS (Komatsu) at \$ 575,980.00.

Motion No. 045

Moved by: Councillor Brian McEvoy

THAT Council approve \$23,800.00 in additional funds from the Equipment Replacement Reserve to purchase the Hyundai Wheel loader from Chinook equipment with a subtotal price of \$313,800.00.

CARRIED

8.c Request for Decision - Letter of Support - Town of St. Paul

Administration received a letter from Maureen Miller, Mayor of the Town of St. Paul requesting a letter of support for their Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) Program Application to retrofit the Clancy Richard Arena.

Motion No. 046

Moved by: Councillor Neil Langridge

THAT Council provide a Letter of Support to the Town of St. Paul for their application to the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program for the Clancy Richard Arena Retrofit.

CARRIED

8.d Request for Decision – Council Representation to the LICA and SPCA Committees

Bill Rogers, CAO, stated that due to scheduling conflicts, Councillor Blanchette will be unable to continue as the Main Council delegate to the SPCA Committee and Councillor Kushnir will be unable to continue as the Main Council delegate to the LICA Committee.

Considering the new circumstances, Councillor Kushnir has volunteered to take over the delegate duties of the SPCA Committee and Councillor Blanchette has volunteered to take over the delegate duties of the LICA Committee.

Motion No. 047

Moved by: Councillor Byron Johnson

THAT Council appoint Councillor Kushnir as delegate to the SPCA Committee and appoint Councillor Blanchette to the LICA Committee for the remainder of the one-year term, to be revisited at the future organizational meeting.

CARRIED

9. Committee Reports

Councillor Kushnir attended a Lakeland Industry & Community Association (LICA) meeting, the Bonnyville Regional Fire Authority (BRFA) meeting, the Town Rebranding Dialogic Session, the Justice and Solicitor General (JSG) Community Justice (CJC) Engagement Session, the Community Police Committee meeting, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Sustainable Communities (SCC) Virtual Conference, and a Muni-Corr meeting.

Councillor McEvoy attended the BRFA Annual Bonspiel, the BRFA Board meeting, the Town Rebranding Dialogic Session, the JSG Community Justice (CJC) Engagement Session, the Cold Lake Regional Utility Services Commission (CLRUSC) meeting, the Bonnyville Municipal Library Board meeting, a Doctors Recruitment Tour and welcome dinner with a new Doctor, and the FCM SCC Virtual Conference.

Councillor Blanchette attended the Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta (FCSSAA) Orientation and Introductory Board meeting in Edmonton, a Special Board meeting with FCSS and Lakeland Catholic School Division (LCSD), an FCSS Advisory Committee meeting, the Town Rebranding Dialogic Session, a Canada Day meeting, the JSG CJC Virtual Engagement Session, a Teams meeting with FCSSAA Board as the NE Representative, the FCM SCC Virtual Conference, a visit with Minister Nixon at the FCSS, an Events Committee meeting, and another Canada Day meeting.

Mayor Brosseau attended the Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association, meeting the BRFA Board meeting, an Economic Development & Tourism Committee (EDTC) Kick Off Strategic Planning meeting, a CLRUSC meeting, a Welcome Dinner with the new Doctor, a meeting with Dr. Coetzee, and a visit with Minister Nixon at the FCSS.

Councillor Sharun attended the Rebranding Dialogic Session, the JSG CJC Virtual Engagement Session, the FCM SCC Virtual Conference, and the Ag Society meeting.

Councillor Langridge attended an EDTC Kick Off Strategic Planning meeting, the Town Rebranding Dialogic Session, the JSG CJC Virtual Engagement Session, the FCM SCC Virtual Conference, and a visit with Minister Nixon at the FCSS.

Councillor Johnson attended the FCSS Board meeting, the Ohana Centre Board meeting, an FCSS Regular Board meeting, the Town Rebranding Dialogic Session, a Canada Day meeting, the FCM SCC Virtual Conference, the visit with Minister Nixon at the FCSS, and an Events Committee meeting.

10. Correspondence

10.a Invitation - Lakeland Catholic School Division - Education Planning Day - February 24, 2023

Council received an invitation from the Lakeland Catholic School Division's Education Planning Day on February 24, 2023. Council accepted this invitation for information and directed Administration to send out a straw poll as to availability for this event.

10.b Appendix A

Applicable policies related to Requests for Decisions will be inserted here to assist Council when making decisions based on financial requests.

11. Questions

No questions were asked.

12. In Camera

Time: 6:36 p.m.

Motion No. 048

Moved by: Councillor Kayla Blanchette

That Council close the meeting to the public and move to In-Camera for Council Agenda item 12.a) Legal - FOIP Sections (21) & (27), 12.b) Legal - FOIP Sections (21) & (27), 12.c) Personnel - FOIP Sections (17) & (27), 12.d) Legal - FOIP Sections (21) & (27).

CARRIED

14. Business Arising from Closed Session

14.a Closed Session Item 1

Motion No. 050

Moved by: Councillor Phil Kushnir

THAT Council allow Urlacher Construction to bid on upcoming construction projects pursuant to Purchasing Policy No. 07-FN-050.

CARRIED

14.b Closed Session Item 2

Motion No. 051

Moved by: Councillor Byron Johnson

THAT Council appoint Councillor David Sharun to The Hive Youth Club Steering Committee to be revisited at the annual organizational Council meeting.

CARRIED

15. Adjournment

Motion No. 052

Moved by: Councillor Brian McEvoy

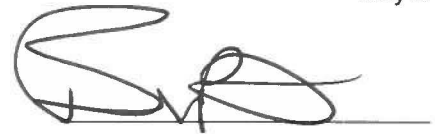
THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned.

Time: 7:55 p.m.

Minutes read and adopted this 28th day of
February, 2023.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Office