



Regular Council Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

Council Chambers and Through Electronic Communications

Sturgeon County Centre

9613-100 Street, Morinville, Alberta

Members Present:

Mayor Alanna Hnatiw
Dan Derouin, Councillor - Division 1
Kristin Toms, Councillor - Division 2
Matthew McLennan, Councillor - Division 3
Neal Comeau, Councillor - Division 4
Deanna Stang, Councillor - Division 5
Jason Berry, Councillor - Division 6

Administration Present:

Reegan McCullough, County Commissioner - CAO
Scott MacDougall, Chief Operating Officer - COO
Jesse Sopko, Director, Corporate Services
Travis Peter, Director, Development and Strategic Services
Andrew Hayes, Director, Finance, Assessment & Procurement Services
Tyler Westover, Manager, Economic Development Services
Bonnie McInnis, Manager, Planning and Development Services
Sabrina Duquette, Manager, Financial Services
Jeff Yanew, Manager, Utility and Waster Management Services
Gary Mayhew, Manager, Transportation and Engineering Services
Max Adu-Safo, Program Supervisor, Transportation and Engineering Services
Martyn Bell, Program Lead, Planning and Development Services
Madisyn Gabriel, Senior Accountant, Operations, Financial Services
Hayley Wasylycia, Strategic and Intergovernmental Advisor, Corporate
Planning and Intergovernmental Services
Lisa Schovanek, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services
Dianne Mason, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services

1. CALL TO ORDER AND RELATED BUSINESS

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hnatiw called the February 22, 2022 Regular Council Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and acknowledged that Council meets on Treaty 6 Territory, a traditional meeting ground for many Indigenous Peoples, and in particular the Michel Band and Alexander First Nation, and also recognized the Métis and Inuit, whose footsteps have marked these lands and share a deep rooted history.

1.2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 040/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council adopt the February 22, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

Carried Unanimously

1.3 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1.3.1 February 8, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion 041/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council adopt the February 8, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

Carried Unanimously

4. BUSINESS

4.1 Recreation Cost Sharing Allocation to Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Edmonton

Presented by: Scott MacDougall, Chief Operating Officer - COO.

Motion 042/22

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council direct Administration to release the \$300,000 grant to the Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Edmonton as approved in the 2022 Operating Budget.

Carried Unanimously

4.2 Council COVID-19 Policy

Presented by: Jesse Sopko, Director, Corporate Services.

Motion 043/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council approve the amended Council COVID-19 Policy as presented.

Carried Unanimously

4.3 Bylaw 1567/21 - Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17 - 2021 Amendment to Direct Control District 21 - Second Reading

Presented by: Jesse Sopko, Director, Corporate Services; Bonnie McInnis, Manager; and Martyn Bell, Program Lead, Current Planning, Planning and Development Services.

Motion 044/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council give second reading of Bylaw 1567/21 as amended.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 9:29 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:30 a.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

Motion 045/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council give third reading of Bylaw 1567/21.

Defeated Unanimously

4.4 Resource Extraction Regulatory Review Update

Presented by: Hayley Wasylycia, Strategic and Intergovernmental Advisor, Corporate Planning and Intergovernmental Services.

Motion 046/22

Moved by J. Berry

That Council direct Administration to bring an updated Resource Extraction Regulatory Review Engagement Plan to a Council meeting in March 2022 to host an in-person and virtual open house session on the east side of the County, inclusive of all elements recommended within the Request for Decision.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 10:06 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 11:07 a.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

4.5 Bylaw 1566/21 - Amendment to Council Committees Bylaw 1517/20 to Establish the Audit Selection Committee - Three Readings and Audit Policy Amendment

Presented by: Sabrina Duquette, Manager and Madisyn Gabriel, Senior Accountant, Operations, Financial Services.

Motion 047/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council give first reading of Bylaw 1566/21.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 048/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council give second reading of Bylaw 1566/21.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 049/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council consider third reading of Bylaw 1566/21.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 050/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council give third reading of Bylaw 1566/21.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 051/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council appoint Councillor McLennan, Councillor Stang, and Councillor Toms to the Audit Selection Committee.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 052/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council approve the amended Audit Policy as presented.

Carried Unanimously

4.6 Bylaw 1580/22 - Amendment to Council Committees Bylaw 1517/20 to Establish the Capital Committee - Three Readings and Capital Budgeting Policy

Presented by: Andrew Hayes, Director, Finance, Assessment & Procurement Services.

Motion 053/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council give first reading of Bylaw 1580/22.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 054/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council give second reading of Bylaw 1580/22.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 055/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council consider third reading of Bylaw 1580/22.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 056/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council give third reading of Bylaw 1580/22.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 057/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council approve the Capital Budgeting Policy as presented.

Carried Unanimously

4.7 Contract Award - Fort Augustus Subdivision Rehabilitation

Presented by: Gary Mayhew, Manager and Max Adu-Safo, Program Supervisor, Transportation and Engineering Services.

Motion 058/22

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council award the contract for the Fort Augustus Park Subdivision Rehabilitation project to DeFord Contracting Inc. at a contract price of \$959,500 (excluding GST) and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the contract.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 12:15 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:31 p.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

3.1 1:30 p.m. Public Hearing re Bylaw 1570/22 - Data Processing Facility Regulations

Mayor Hnatiw opened the Public Hearing at 1:31 p.m. and provided an overview of the Public Hearing process.

The Public Hearing was held for Council to hear any submissions for or against Bylaw 1570/22.

Bylaw 1570/22 received first reading at the January 25, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

Bonnie McInnis, Manager, and Martyn Bell, Program Lead, Current Planning, Planning and Development Services, provided an overview of Bylaw 1570/22.

The Applicant, Biagio Mele, President; David Tian, Vice President; and Colbert Law, Engineer in Training, MAGA Energy, were in attendance to present their application and to answer any questions from Council.

Jeff Kocuipchyk, resident, provided comments regarding Bylaw 1570/22.

Mayor Hnatiw closed the Public Hearing at 2:53 p.m.

The meeting was recessed at 2:53 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 3:01 p.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

5. CLOSED SESSION

5.1 Closed Session - Land Matter

Motion 059/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council move to a closed session at 3:01 p.m. pursuant to section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act and in accordance with section 24 (advice from officials) and section 25 (disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

Presented by: Scott MacDougall, Chief Operating Officer - COO and Jeff Yanew, Manager, Utility and Waste Management Services.

The following members of Administration were also in attendance to provide information and/or administrative assistance:

Reegan McCullough, County Commissioner - COO; Jesse Sopko, Director, Corporate Services, Travis Peter, Director, Development and Strategic Services; Andrew Hayes, Director, Finance, Assessment & Procurement Services; Lisa Schovanek, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services; and Dianne Mason, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services.

Motion 060/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council move out of the closed session at 3:48 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 061/22

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council direct Administration to take action as recommended in the confidential Request for Decision of item 5.1 of the February 22, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 062/22

Moved by N. Comeau

That the Request for Decision and attachments of item 5.1 of the February 22, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda remain confidential in accordance with section 24 (advice from officials) and section 25 (disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

5.2 Closed Session - Business Development Opportunities

Motion 063/22

Moved by D. Stang

That Council move to a closed session at 3:52 p.m. pursuant to section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act and in accordance with section 21 (disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations), section 24 (advice from officials), and section 25 (disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

Presented by: Reagan McCullough, County Commissioner - CAO.

The following members of Administration were also in attendance to provide information and/or administrative assistance:

Scott McDougall, Chief Operating Officer - COO; Jesse Sopko, Director, Corporate Services, Travis Peter, Director, Development and Strategic Services; Andrew Hayes, Director, Finance, Assessment & Procurement Services; Tyler Westover, Manager, Economic Development Services; Lisa Schovanek, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services; and Dianne Mason, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services.

Motion 064/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council move out of the closed session at 4:40 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 065/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council direct Administration to develop initiatives utilizing hydrogen along with other energy sources to reduce emissions and drive economic growth for Sturgeon County.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 066/22

Moved by K. Toms

That Council direct Administration to bring forward rural-based initiatives for Council review and direction in the areas of transportation, heating, and waste to resources.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 067/22

Moved by K. Toms

That the Request for Decision and attachments of item 5.2 of the February 22, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda remain confidential in accordance with section 21 (disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations), section 24 (advice from officials), and section 25 (disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council adjourn the February 22, 2022 Regular Council Meeting at 4:42 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor

County Commissioner (CAO)