

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

June 27, 2023, 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, General Manager, Corporate Services

Travis Peter, General Manager, Development & Strategic Services Gary Mayhew, Director, Transportation & Engineering Services

Luis Delgado, Manager, Assessment Services

Jennifer Lavallee, Manager, Corporate Planning & Intergovernmental Services

Jeff Yanew, Manager, Utility & Waste Management Services

Jackie Sargent, Manager, Corporate Communications

Martyn Bell, Program Lead, Current Planning

Tyler McNab, Program Lead, Development & Safety Codes Karolina Drabik, Open Space Lead, Community Services Max Adu-Safo, Program Supervisor, Transportation Services

Dianne Mason, Legislative Officer Melodie Steele, Legislative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER AND RELATED BUSINESS

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hnatiw called the June 27, 2023 Regular Council Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and acknowledged that Council meets on Treaty 6 territory, the traditional homelands of Alexander and Michel First Nations, as well as the Métis Nation of Alberta's Region 4.

We are all Treaty People; we love and cherish this place we call home and the land that provides for us. A place where our families, friends, and other relations live and grow. We commit ourselves to continually becoming better Treaty people so that this place and those we love continue to thrive as long as the sun shines, the grass grows, and the rivers flow.

1.2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion 231/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council adopt the June 27, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

Carried Unanimously

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 June 13, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion 232/23

Moved by D. Stang

That Council adopt the June 13, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

Carried Unanimously

3. BUSINESS

3.1 Bylaw 1609/23 – Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17 – Sturgeon Valley South Land Use Districts - Third Reading

Presented by Martyn Bell, Program Lead, Current Planning.

As Mayor Hnatiw was absent for part of the Public Hearing for Bylaw 1609/23, she abstained from voting on third reading of the Bylaw in accordance with section 184(b) of the Municipal Government Act.

Motion 233/23

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council give third reading of Bylaw 1609/23.

For (5): D. Derouin, K. Toms, N. Comeau, D. Stang, and J. Berry

Against (1): M. McLennan Abstained (1): A. Hnatiw

Carried

3.2 Bylaw 1631/23 –Bylaw Enforcement Officer Technical Amendments – First Reading

Presented by Martyn Bell, Program Lead, Current Planning; and Tyler McNab, Program Lead, Development & Safety Codes, Planning & Development Services.

Motion 234/23

Moved by D. Stang

That Council give first reading of Bylaw 1631/23.

Carried Unanimously

3.3 Request to Schedule a Regular Council Meeting for Bylaw 1607/22 – Resource Extraction Amendments to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17

Presented by Jesse Sopko, General Manager, Corporate Services.

Motion 235/23

Moved by J. Berry

That Council schedule a Regular Council Meeting on July 4, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers for Council to consider third reading of Bylaw 1607/22 – Resource Extraction Amendments to the Land Use Bylaw 1385/17.

Carried Unanimously

3.4 Sturgeon Regional Partnership Terms of Reference Endorsement

Presented by Jennifer Lavallee, Manager, Corporate Planning & Intergovernmental Services.

Motion 236/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council endorse the Sturgeon Regional Partnership Terms of Reference as proposed by the partners.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 237/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to engage with the Sturgeon Regional Partnership to further explore sub-regional economic development collaboration.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 238/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to engage with the Sturgeon Regional Partnership to further explore a sub-regional buying group initiative.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 239/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to engage with the Sturgeon Regional Partnership to further explore a sub-regional assessment review board.

Carried Unanimously

3.5 Active Transportation Fund - Infrastructure and Communities Contribution Agreement

- New Shared-Use Pathway and Pedestrian Bridge

Presented by Karolina Drabik, Open Space Lead, Community Services.

Motion 240/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council authorize the execution of the Contribution Agreement between Sturgeon County and the Government of Canada under the Active Transportation Fund for a new shared-use pathway and pedestrian bridge as provided in Attachment 2.

Carried Unanimously

3.6 Open Space Asset Management Program Development

Presented by Karolina Drabik, Open Space Lead, Community Services.

Motion 241/23

Moved by D. Stang

That Council approve the reallocation of up to \$100,000 from the Open Spaces capital project budget to the development of an Open Space Asset Management Program in 2023 to support future capital budget recommendations.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 9:55 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:04 a.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

3.7 Contract Award - Gravel Road Improvements Project

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

Motion 242/23

Moved by D. Stang

That Council award the contract for the Gravel Road Improvements project to Doblanko Contracting Ltd. at a contract price of \$1,568,638.05 (excluding GST) and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the contract.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 10:20 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 11:23 a.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

3.8 Contract Award - Villeneuve Hamlet Drainage Improvement Project

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

Motion 243/23

Moved by M. McLennan

That Council award the contract for the Villeneuve Hamlet Drainage Improvement project to Ideal Earthworks Inc. at a contract price of \$614,960.00 (excluding GST) and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the contract.

Carried Unanimously

3.9 Contract Award - Hu Haven Bridge Culvert (Bridge File 00134) Replacement

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

Motion 244/23

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council approve a reallocation of funds within the approved budget and add additional funding in the amount of \$37,558 from the Road Network Reserve, as per Attachment 1.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 245/23

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council award the contract for the Bridge Culvert Replacement, Bridge File 00134 (2023-096), to Doblanko Contracting Ltd. at a contract price of \$585,436.70 (excluding GST) and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the contract.

Carried Unanimously

3.10 Municipal Property Tax Relief Policy Amendment

Presented by Jesse Sopko, General Manager, Corporate Services.

Motion 246/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council approve the amended Municipal Property Tax Relief Policy as presented.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 11:59 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 12:34 p.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

3.11 Bylaw 1630/23 - Deputy Mayor Appointment Amendment Bylaw - First Reading

Presented by Jesse Sopko, General Manager, Corporate Services.

Motion 247/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council give first reading of Bylaw 1630/23.

For (6): A. Hnatiw, D. Derouin, K. Toms, N. Comeau, D. Stang, and J. Berry Against (1): M. McLennan

Carried

4. CLOSED SESSION

4.1 Closed Session - Economic Development Opportunity

Motion 248/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council move to a closed session at 12:47 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.

Presented by Scott MacDougall, Chief Operating Officer – COO.

The following members of Administration were in attendance for the closed session to provide information and/or administrative assistance:

Reegan McCullough, County Commissioner - CAO; Jesse Sopko, General Manager, Corporate Services; Travis Peter, General Manager, Development & Strategic Services; Luis Delgado, Manager, Assessment Services; Jeff Yanew, Manager, Utility & Waste Management Services; Jackie Sargent, Manager, Corporate Communications; Dianne Mason, Legislative Officer; and Melodie Steele, Legislative Officer.

Councillor Comeau left the meeting at 1:19 p.m. Councillor Comeau returned to the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Councillor Toms left the meeting at 1:35 p.m. Councillor Toms returned to the meeting at 1:36 p.m.

Motion 249/23 Moved by D. Stang

That Council move out of the closed session at 2:08 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 250/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council direct Administration to take action as identified in Confidential Enclosure 1 of item 4.1 of the June 27, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 251/23

Moved by K. Toms

That the Request for Decision and attachments of item 4.1 of the June 27, 2023 Regular 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 Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

5. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion 252/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council adjourn the June 27, 2023 Regular Council Meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor

County Commissioner (CAO)