



Regular Council Meeting Minutes

July 18, 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
Jesse Sopko, General Manager, Corporate Services
Travis Peter, General Manager, Development & Strategic Services
Andrew Hayes, General Manager, Financial Services & Chief Financial Officer
Gary Mayhew, Director, Transportation & Engineering Services
Luis Delgado, Manager, Assessment Services
Tim Osborne, Manager, Family & Community Support Services
Russ Avery, Manager, Information Services
Sabrina Duquette, Manager, Corporate Finance & Treasury
Bonnie McInnis, Manager, Planning & Development Services
Jeff Yanew, Manager, Utilities & Waste Management Services
Jocelyn Pearce, Senior Treasury & Financial Advisor
Max Adu-Safo, Program Supervisor, Transportation Services
Rebecca Schapansky, Planning & Subdivision Officer
Dianne Mason, Legislative Officer
Melodie Steele, Legislative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER AND RELATED BUSINESS

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hnatiw called the July 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting to order at 9:05 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 265/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council adopt the July 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

Carried Unanimously

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 July 18, 2023 Consent Agenda Report

Motion 266/23

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council adopt the June 22, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented;

That Council adopt the June 27, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented;
and

That Council adopt the July 4, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

Carried Unanimously

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 June 22, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion approved on consent agenda.

3.2 June 27, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion approved on consent agenda.

3.3 July 4, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion approved on consent agenda.

5. BUSINESS

5.1 9:05 a.m. Award of the 2023 Dale MacMillan Scholarship for Community Leadership

Presented by Tim Osborne, Manager, Family & Community Support Services.

Motion 267/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council award the 2023 Dale MacMillan Scholarship for Community Leadership to Julianne Roe and Shelby Pierce.

Carried Unanimously

5.2 Bylaw 1628/23 - Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17 – Redistricting of a Portion of NW-6-57-23-W4M (Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1722474) - Second and Third Readings

Presented by Bonnie McInnis, Manager; and Rebecca Schapansky, Planning & Subdivision Officer, Planning & Development Services.

Motion 268/23

Moved by D. Stang

That Council direct Administration to schedule a second Public Hearing for Bylaw 1628/23.

For (5): A. Hnatiw, D. Derouin, M. McLennan, D. Stang, and J. Berry

Against (2): K. Toms, and N. Comeau

Carried

4. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

4.1 9:30 a.m. Trestle’s Edge Inc. / Meadowview Golf & Country Club – Request for Reduction of 2023 Municipal Property Taxes

Presented by Jennifer Tappauf; Rae Tappauf; and Chad Kieser, Owners, Trestle’s Edge Inc. / Meadowview Golf & Country Club.

Motion 269/23

Moved by M. McLennan

That Council refer the request from Trestle’s Edge Inc. / Meadowview Golf & Country Club for a reduction of 2023 municipal property taxes to Administration to present information and a recommendation at a future Council Meeting.

Carried Unanimously

5. BUSINESS – Cont’d.

5.3 Bylaw 1623/23 – Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17 – Redistricting of a Portion of SE-2-55-23-W4M (55010 Range Road 231) from AG – Agriculture District to AG2 – Agriculture 2 District – First Reading

Presented by Bonnie McInnis, Manager; and Rebecca Schapansky, Planning & Subdivision Officer, Planning & Development Services.

Motion 270/23

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council give first reading of Bylaw 1623/23.

Carried Unanimously

4.2 10:00 a.m. MAGA Energy - Request for Tax Agreement

Presented by Biagio Mele, President; and Patrick Amantea, Chief Financial Officer, MAGA Energy Ltd.

Motion 271/23

Moved by J. Berry

That Council refer the request from MAGA Energy for a tax agreement to Administration to present information and a recommendation at a future Council Meeting.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 10:12 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:22 a.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

5. BUSINESS – Cont’d.

5.4 Recreational Vehicle Storage Moratorium

Presented by Bonnie McInnis, Manager, Planning & Development Services.

Motion 272/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council place a moratorium on amendments to the Land Use Bylaw to redistrict agricultural zoned land to RVS – Recreational Vehicle Storage, or Direct Control districts intended to support development of RV storage, until appropriate locational policy within the Municipal Development Plan is developed and considered.

Carried Unanimously

5.5 Contract Awards: July 19 to August 21, 2023

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

Motion 273/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council authorize the transfer of \$310,750 from the Road Network Reserve to fund selective rehabilitation work specific to drainage issues in Cardiff Echoes.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 274/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute contract awards for the Estate Way Road Reconstruction and Surfacing, Bridge File 00889 (Township Road 564), and Cardiff Echoes Selective Rehabilitation projects to the respective recommended compliant bidders.

Carried Unanimously

5.6 Funding Request for Emergency Repairs to Bridge File 00839 (Victoria Trail Bridge)

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

Motion 275/23

Moved by J. Berry

That Council authorize the transfer of up to \$250,000 from the Road Network Reserve to fund emergency repairs for Bridge File 00839 (Victoria Trail Bridge).

Carried Unanimously

5.7 Bylaw 1629/23 - Estates Way Debenture Bylaw - Second and Third Readings

Presented by Sabrina Duquette, Manager, Corporate Finance & Treasury; and Jocelyn Pearce, Senior Treasury & Financial Advisor.

Motion 276/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council give second reading of Bylaw 1629/23.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 277/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council give third reading of Bylaw 1629/23.

Carried Unanimously

5.8 2023 Tax Recovery Reserve Bid (Public Tax Sale Reserve)

Presented by Sabrina Duquette, Manager, Corporate Finance & Treasury; and Luis Delgado, Manager, Assessment Services.

Motion 278/23

Moved by D. Stang

That Council approve the conditions of sale and the reserve bid identified in the 2023 Public Sale of Land Report at market value as prepared by Sturgeon County's Assessment Department for the Public Tax Recovery Property Auction to be held on November 30, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

5.9 Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Project Update and Resourcing Requirements

Presented by Sabrina Duquette, Manager, Corporate Finance & Treasury.

Motion 279/23

Moved by D. Stang

That Council approve funding for the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) project resourcing requirements in the amount of \$1,132,000 from the General Operating Reserve.

Carried Unanimously

5.10 Bylaw 1630/23 - Deputy Mayor Appointment Amendment Bylaw - Second and Third Readings

Presented by Jesse Sopko, General Manager, Corporate Services.

Motion 280/23

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council give second reading of Bylaw 1630/23 as amended.

For (5): A. Hnatiw, D. Derouin, K. Toms, N. Comeau, and D. Stang

Against (2): M. McLennan, and J. Berry

Carried

Motion 281/23

Moved by D. Derouin

That Council give third reading of Bylaw 1630/23.

For (5): A. Hnatiw, D. Derouin, K. Toms, N. Comeau, and D. Stang

Against (2): M. McLennan, and J. Berry

Carried

7. MAYOR AND COUNCIL

7.1 County Connections Newsletter (Mayor Hnatiw)

Motion 282/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council direct Administration to restart the bi-annual publication of the County Connections Newsletter.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 283/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council allocate \$35,000 from the General Operating Reserve to publish one edition of the County Connections Newsletter in the Fall/Winter of 2023.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed at 11:54 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:25 p.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

6. CLOSED SESSION

6.1 1:30 p.m. Closed Session - Chief Administrative Officer Performance Evaluation

Motion 284/23

Moved by K. Toms

That Council move to a closed session at 1:26 p.m. pursuant to section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act and in accordance with section 17 (disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

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

Rick McDonald, President, J.R. McDonald & Associates Inc.; and Reegan McCullough, County Commissioner - CAO.

Motion 285/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council move out of the closed session at 2:38 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 286/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council accept the Chief Administrative Officer Annual Performance Evaluation Report as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Motion 287/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That the Request for Decision and supporting materials for item 6.1 of the July 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda remain confidential in accordance with section 17 (disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion 288/23

Moved by N. Comeau

That Council adjourn the July 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting at 2:41 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor

County Commissioner (CAO)