

# COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting of Council

Monday, January 22, 2024 Fox Creek Greenview Protective Services Building

- Upstairs Training Room / Zoom

## PRESENT:

Mayor Councillors Sheila Gilmour Meesha Bainton Brenda Burridge Jim Hailes Kerri Hudson Kim Norman

Chief Administrative Officer Director of Corporate Services

Kristen Milne Lori Conkin

Director of Community Services Director of Operations Wendy Chaychuk-Rieger

Director of Operations
Director of Recreation

Dennis Bellwood Brandon Pauling

Communications & Economic Dev.

Robin Grant

Recording Secretary

Denise Baranowski

## **ABSENT WITH NOTICE:**

Deputy Mayor

Eric Doran

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sheila Gilmour called the Regular Meeting of Council for January 22, 2024 to order at 6:30 p.m.

## 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

O1-24 That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 22, 2024 be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

# 3. MINUTES

3.1 Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held December 18, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

**02-24** That the minutes from

That the minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 18, 2023 be approved, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 4. DELEGATIONS

NIL

## 5. STAFF REPORTS

- 5.1 Community Services
- 5.3 Recreation
- 5.4 Operations
- 5.5 Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by: Councillor Norman

03-24 That Council accepts the Staff Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 6. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- 6.1 Statement of Operating Revenues and Expenditures (Unaudited) for the Period December 31, 2023
- 6.2 Statement of Capital Acquired and Applied (Unaudited) for the Period Ending December 31, 2023
- 6.3 Payables ending January 18, 2024 Cheque Register 052493 052652
- 6.4 Council remuneration for the Period Ending December 31, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

04-24 That Council accepts the Financial Reports, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### 7. BUSINESS

Request for Decision – 2024 Brownlee Emerging Trends in Municipal Law Seminar

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

That Council approves the attendance of Councillor Bainton at the Brownlee Emerging Trends In Municipal Law in-person seminar on February 15, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision - Financial Support for Business Support Network 2024

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

06-24 That Council approves the donation of \$2,000.00 and the addition of a meeting room for the 2024 events to the Business Support Network to be utilized towards speakers/ workshop costs, marketing and hosting.

CARRIED

Request for Decision - Request for Support Funds - Cold Shot Bus Services

Moved by: Councillor Bainton

07-24 That Council approves the request for support funds to Cold Shot Bus Services of \$36,920.00, as discussed.

DEFEATED

Request for Decision - 2024 Alberta CARE Spring Seminar Attendee

Moved by: Councillor Bainton

08-24 That Council approves the attendance of Councillor Burridge at the 2024 Alberta CARE Spring Seminar in Camrose, AB on February 27 - March 1, 2024. Furthermore, include a silent auction donation to a maximum value of \$250.00, as discussed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.5 Request for Decision - 2024 Growth Alberta Regional Socio-Economic Development **Event** 

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

09-24 That Council approves the attendance of Councillor Hailes at the Growth Alberta Regional Socio-Economic Development Event at Eagle River Casino on February 5 and 6, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision - Fox Creek Municipal Library Board Appointments

Moved by: Councillor Bainton

10-24 That Council allows Rachel King, Tanya Wedge, Danielle Marinus and Evelyn Rogers to be reappointed to the Fox Creek Municipal Library Board for more than 3 consecutive terms, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

11-24 That Council appoints Rachel King, Tanya Wedge and Danielle Marinus to the Fox Creek Municipal Library Board with a term expiration of October 2026, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

That Council appoints Evelyn Rogers to the Fox Creek Municipal Library Board with 12-24 a term expiration of October 2024, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision - 2024 Alberta Rural Education Symposium Attendee

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

13-24 That Council approves the attendance of Mayor Gilmour at the 2024 Alberta Rural Education Symposium at River Cree Resort and Casino on March 3 - 5, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 8. BYLAWS AND POLICIES

NIL.

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## 9. COUNCIL BUSINESS REPORTS

- 9.1 Mayor Gilmour
- 9.2 Councillor Hailes
- 9.3 Councillor Burridge

Moved by: Councillor Bainton

14-24 That Council accepts the Council Business Reports for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### 10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Response Letter from Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors RE Cold Shot Bus Services
- 10.2 Thank you Letter from City of Yellowknife RE 2023 Wildfires
- 10.3 AUC Notice of Application Kiwetinohk Opal Transmission Project
- 10.4 NGTL 2022 Abandonment Program Approval Notification Email
- 10.5 Letter from Minister of Environment and Protected Areas RE Alberta Drought
- 10.6 Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs RE Assessment Model Review
- 10.7 Heart River Housing Minutes November 16, 2023
- 10.8 NGTL Grande Prairie Mainline Loop No. 4 Project Notice of CER Approval Email
- 10.9 Business Support Network Steering Committee Meeting Minutes December 9, 2023
- 10.10 Thank you from Courageous K9 Magazine
- 10.11 Fox Creek Business Support Network Meeting January 24, 2024 Invite
- 10.12 Community Futures Yellowhead East Meeting Minutes Signed October 19, 2023
- 10.13 Community Futures Yellowhead East Meeting Minutes Draft December 21, 2023
- 10.14 Regional Workforce Consultant Newsletter January 2024 Edition
- 10.15 Response Letter from Minister of Health RE Support of A New Hospital in Whitecourt

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

15-24 That Council accepts the Correspondence for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Gilmour called for a brief recess at 7:43 p.m.

Director of Corporate Services left meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Director of Community Services left meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Director of Operations left meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Director of Recreation left meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Communications & Economic Dev.left meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Recording Secretary left meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Mayor Gilmour called the meeting back to order at 7:55 p.m.

| Additional Attendant's       |
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| Chief Administrative Officer |

**Reason for Attendance** 

Legislative Advice and Information

## 11. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by: Councillor Norman

16-24 That Council moves to go into "Closed Session" at 7:55 p.m. pursuant to Section 17 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2000, Chapter M-26.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

- 11.1 Disclosure harmful to the economic and other interests of a public body (FOIP; Section 25) I and
- 11.2 Disclosure harmful to the business interests of a third party (FOIP; Section 16) Land

Moved by: Councillor Bainton

17-24 That, in compliance with Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act, Council moves to come out of "Closed Session" at 8:34 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# 12. MOTIONS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

12.1 Disclosure harmful to the economic and other interests of a public body (FOIP; Section 25) – Land

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

18-24 That Council approves the hiring of Beairsto & Associates for the design of the Water Treatment Plant – Phase 3 project for \$450,795.63.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Disclosure harmful to the business interests of a third party (FOIP; Section 16) - Land

Moved by: Councillor Norman

19-24 That Council directs Administration to set the industrial lot rent rate at \$600 / acre / month effective January 1, 2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

That Council directs Administration to consult with legal and continue as directed with the North Road Lands.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sheila Gilmour adjourned the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 22, 2024 at 8:35 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

Date Approved