

COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting of Council

Monday, August 19, 2024

Fox Creek Greenview Protective Services Building

- Upstairs Training Room

PRESENT:

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

Chief Administrative Officer Kristen Milne Director of Corporate Services Lori Conkin

Director of Community Services Wendy Chaychuk-Rieger

Director of Parks and Recreation

Director of Operations

Communications & Economic Development

Fire Chief

Recording Secretary

Brandon Pauling

Dennis Bellwood

Davis Prizgintas

Brian Davidson

Denise Baranowski

ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

Councillors Meesha Bainton Eric Doran

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sheila Gilmour called the Regular Meeting of Council for August 19, 2024 to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Deletion:

11.1 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy (FOIP; Section 17) – Labour Addition:

7.9 Request for Decision - Capital Project Scope Change - Pool Shutdown

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

193-24 That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on August 19, 2024 be approved, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. MINUTES

3.1 Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held July 22, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Norman

194-24 That the minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held on July 22, 2024 be approved, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 Minutes from the Special Meeting of Council held August 1, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

That the minutes from the Special Meeting of Council held on August 1, 2024 be approved, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Novus Earth - Geothermal

4.2 RCMP – Fox Creek Detachment

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

196-24 That Council accepts the presentations, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.1 Fire Department

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

197-24 Council directs Administration to send a letter of concern to the MD of Greenview regarding their Policy No. 3010 Greenview Fire-Rescue Services Levels of Service.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fire Chief left meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

198-24 Council directs Administration to remove the crosswalk flashing light on 5th street and leave the crosswalk with the marked signs.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Norman

199-24 That Council accepts the Staff Reports, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- 6.1 Statement of Operating Revenues and Expenditures (Unaudited) for the Period Ending July 31, 2024
- 6.2 Statement of Capital Acquired and Applied (Unaudited) for the Period Ending July 31, 2024
- 6.3 Payables Ending August 8, 2024 Cheque Register 053435 053505
- 6.4 Council Remuneration for the Period Ending July 31, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

200-24 That Council accepts the Financial Reports, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Gilmour called for a brief recess at 8:05 p.m.

Director of Community Services left meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Director of Operations left meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor Gilmour called the meeting back to order at 8:16 p.m.

7. BUSINESS

7.1 Request for Decision – Grande Prairie & District Chamber of Commerce – Your Region, Your Voice! Invitation

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

201-24 That Council approves the attendance of two Council members at the Grande Prairie & District Chamber of Commerce Event "Your Region, Your Voice!" on November 14, 2024 in Grande Prairie, AB, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Request for Decision – Fox Creek Knights – Request for Reduced Ice Rate and Permanent Dressing Room.

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

That Council directs Administration to enter into a one-year agreement with the Fox Creek Knights to provide the Fox Creek Greenview Multiplex ice at the 2025 Youth Prime Rate and for the exclusive use of a dressing room for the season.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 Request for Decision – Request for Funds–Pre-feasibility Study: Geothermal and Lithium Moved by: Councillor Hudson

That Council directs Administration to move forward with a pre-feasibility study for a total amount of \$50,000 to be funded from the general reserve and directs Administration to apply for grants to complete the evaluation of geothermal and lithium potential in Fox Creek and surrounding areas.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.4 Request for Decision – Request for Funds – Alberta's Provincial Day of Snowmobiling Event

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

204-24 That Council approves hosting the Alberta Snowmobile Association's Alberta's Provincial Day of Snowmobiling Event on February 1st, 2025, in Fox Creek.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.5 Request for Decision – Request to Waive Penalties on Tax Roll 100 702 508

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

That Council directs Administration to waive the penalties incurred on the 2024 tax levy for Tax Roll 100 702 508.

DEFEATED

7.6 Request for Decision – Request to Waive Penalties on Tax Roll 100 426 807

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

206-24 That Council directs Administration to waive the penalties incurred for Tax Roll 100 426 807.

DEFEATED

7.7 Request for Decision – Request to Waive Penalties on Tax Roll 100 204 609

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

That Council directs Administration that after careful consideration of the request for financial relief from the penalties incurred for Tax Roll 100 204 609, the request is denied.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.8 Request for Decision – Request to Waive Penalties Regarding Online Tax Payments

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

That Council authorizes Administration to waive the penalties assessed in 2023 and 2024 for ratepayers affected by the timing issues as presented that have been verified by the payment initiation date as confirmed by the third-party financial institutions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.9 Request for Decision – Capital Project Scope Change – Pool Shutdown

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

209-24 That Council approves the reallocation of \$20,000 from the 2024 Chlorine System Capital Project to the 2024 Pool Repair Project for the September shutdown project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. BYLAWS AND POLICIES

8.1 Bylaw 880-2024 Fees & Rates - Facilities

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

210-24 That Council gives first reading to the Bylaw 880-2024 Fees & Rates – Facilities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

211-24 That Council gives second reading to the Bylaw 880-2024 Fees & Rates – Facilities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Bylaw 881-2024 Fees & Rates - Multiplex

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

212-24 That Council gives first reading to the Bylaw 880-2024 Fees & Rates – Multiplex.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by: Councillor Norman

213-24 That Council gives second reading to the Bylaw 880-2024 Fees & Rates – Multiplex.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. COUNCIL BUSINESS REPORTS

NIL

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Career and Education EXPO Registration Deadline
- 10.2 Laprairie Works Goodbye Letter
- 10.3 Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance Newsletter July 2024
- 10.4 Important News on Canada Alberta Job Grant

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

214-24 That Council accepts the Correspondence, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. CLOSED SESSION

12. MOTIONS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gilmour adjourned the Regular Meeting of Council held on August 19, 2024 at 9:31 p.m.

Sheila Gilmour

Mayor

Kristen Milne

Chief Administrative Officer