



COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, March 13, 2017

PRESENT:

Mayor
Councillors

Jim Ahn
Jim Hailes
Brenda Burridge
Robin Gervais
Kim Caouette
Chris Stadnyk
Louis Beloin

Chief Administrative Officer
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer
Executive Assistant
Director of Corporate Services
Development Officer
Clinic Manager
Director of Parks and Recreation
Peace Officer
Fire Chief

Roy Dell
Kristen Milne
Emily Cuthbertson
Alicia Bourbeau
Betty He
Katelyn Duchesne
Mitch Carter
Josh Towle
Les Paul

ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

Director of Operations
Director of Community Services

John Greathead
Lisa Pelletier

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor, Jim Ahn, called the Regular Meeting of Council for March 13, 2017 to order at 6:30 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Beloin

70-17	That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held March 13, 2017 be approved as presented.
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held February 27, 2017.

Moved by: Councillor Caouette

71-17	That the minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held February 27, 2017 be approved as presented.
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b) Business arising from minutes.

There was no new business arising from the Minutes.

4. DELEGATIONS

- a) Fox Creek Fitness Centre
Sheri Matheson & Gym Board

The Gym Board would like to get some answers from Council as to what the future of the gym is.

Mayor Ahn - We currently just have drawings, and not sure how everything will be operated – it is currently just a 'space'.

As far as planning for future space, not all plans have been approved yet.

What is the issue with having the facility at the Visitor Information Centre and having the board help cater the gym at the multi-use for everyone?

If we work together, can have set times for the different groups of people.

Councillor Gervais has spoken with people from the east side of the province on how they operate 24 hour gyms, and they said that the gym has to be isolated from other areas as to not have people going into the other parts of the multi-use after hours – don't want to have the liability on the Town if something were to happen.

Mayor Ahn - The Council has been pushing for a building and the operations of the building, we haven't gotten there yet. We are trying to afford the new Multi-Use and Fire hall without raising taxes. We are working on the larger picture of the building. We just haven't gotten that far as to name who will be operating which areas and what is going to be going in there.

This is the first time the Board has come to Council, however, the Board made contact with staff at the Administration Office initially before coming to Council about the multi-use and the future of the current Gym.

Councillor Hailes - There is a possibility of having two (2) separate facilities for the gym, or we partner with the gym board, everything is still up in the air.

Councillor Hailes - Suggesting we make a committee involving the gym board, the Council and Administration.

As long as the Fox Creek Gym Board is kept in the loop, and able to provide even some insight into how the gym is built and outfitted, they will be happy.

Financials for 2016 was provided by Sheri to Roy at the meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

72-17	That Council accepts the delegation as information. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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- b) Business arising from Delegations

5. STAFF REPORTS

- a) Fire Chief
Les Paul
- b) Community Peace Officer
Josh Towle
- c) Director of Community Services
Lisa Pelletier
- d) Director of Parks and Recreation
Mitch Carter
- e) Director of Operations
John Greathead

Councillor Burridge left the meeting at 7:29 pm
Councillor Burridge came back to the meeting at 7:30 pm

- f) Director of Corporate Services
Alicia Bourbeau

Councillor Hailes left the meeting at 7:39 pm
Councillor Hailes came back to the meeting at 7:40 pm

- g) Development Officer
Betty He
- h) Clinic Manager
Katelyn Duchesne
- i) Chief Administrative Officer
Roy Dell

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

73-17 That Council accept Staff reports as information. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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6. BYLAWS/POLICIES

- a) Land Use Bylaw – Amendment to 787-2017
Betty He, Development Officer

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

74-17 That Council give first reading to the Bylaw 787-2017 and direct Administration to schedule a public hearing for the bylaw. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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7. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

- b) Account Payables – for the period ending March 8, 2017
Alicia Bourbeau, Director of Corporate Services

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

75-17	That Council accepts the accounts payable for the period ending March 8, 2017 as presented.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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8. OLD BUSINESS

NIL

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Municipal Excellence Awards
Roy Dell, Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

76-17	That Council joins the Municipal District of Greenview as a partner for the application of the Municipal Excellence Award.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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10. COUNCIL'S REPORTS

- Councillor Hailes
Nothing new to report.
- Councillor Burridge
Complaints about water.
- Councillor Caouette
Attended the Speech of the Throne, with our MLA, very interesting experience. Starting a Fox Creek Motorsports Association – looking into getting a chunk of land for things like ATV races. Currently in the works.
- Councillor Gervais
Meeting with the AER on Wednesday, March 15, this is turning into a long process but recommendations are positive towards reducing the fresh water usage in the area. Once the rules are adopted and put in place, industry will have more options. Councillor Gervais is feeling positive about the process.
- Councillor Beloin
Attended the Economic Forum on behalf of Community Futures in Whitecourt, 6 businesses from Whitecourt presented, businesses are having the same problems as we are in Town, they cannot compete with the companies from out of Town.
- Mayor Ahn
Nothing new to report.

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

77-17	That Council accepts the Council reports as information.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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11. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- a) TransCanada Project Update on Smoky River Lateral Loop – Letter of Correspondence for Information
- b) AEMA Tabletop Exercise Summary – Letter of Correspondence for Information
- c) Heart River Housing Senior Lodge Requisition – Letter of Correspondence for Information
- d) Council Calendar – March – Report for Information
- e) AUMA 2016 Year in Review – Report for Information

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

78-17 That Council accepts the Reports and Correspondence as information. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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12. MOTION REVIEW

- a) Review of 2017 Council Motions
Roy Dell, Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by: Councillor Gervais

79-17 That Council accepts the Motion Review as information. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- Council has directed Administration to advertise for two (2) members at large to join the Rec Committee to gather ideas on the operation of the multi-use.
- Council received praise from a community member on the new signs being put up by Public Works for the snow removal.
- The Fox Creek Fitness Centre approached Council about the details of the new multi-use facility. Council has directed Administration to use the Recreation Committee to work with the local groups on details for the facility.

Mayor Ahn called a short recess at 8:08 pm.

Mayor Ahn called the meeting back to order at 8:20 pm.

14. IN CAMERA

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

80-17 That Council moves to go "In Camera" at 8:20 pm. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by: Councillor Gervais

81-17 That Council moves to come out of "In Camera" at 9:08 pm. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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Councillor Stadnyk arrived at the meeting at 9:08 pm.

a) Land

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

82-17 That Council direct Administration to enter into agreement for the Letter of Intent to Purchase with the said Developer, and to bring back to Council in two (2) weeks for an update.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by: Councillor Caouette

83-17 That Council direct Administration to work with the prospective developer on locations for retail development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by: Councillor Caouette

84-17 That Council direct Administration to look into raising taxes on vacant properties and bring back the options to Council for review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b) Labour

Brenda Burridge

Moved by: Councillor Beloin

85-17 Direct Council to follow all existing Bylaws for any out of Town meetings & Conferences.


CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Stadnyk

86-17 To adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council at 9:12 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Jim Ahn
Mayor



Roy Dell
Chief Administrative Officer

March 27/17
Date Approved