



COUNCIL MINUTES
Public Hearing of Monday March 14, 2016
Public Hearing

PRESENT:

Deputy Mayor	Robin Gervais
Councillors	Brenda Burridge Chris Stadnyk Jim Hailes Tom Thompson
Chief Administrative Officer Executive Assistant Director of Corporate Services Director of Parks and Recreation Development Officer Peace Officer	Roy Dell Bonnie Adamson Alicia Bourbeau Mitch Carter Betty He Josh Towle

ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

Mayor	Jim Ahn
Councillor	Christopher Conlin
Director of Operations	John Greathead

There was 10 spectators in the Public Gallery.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Gervais called the Public Hearing for Monday March 14, 2016 to order at 6:11 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor

1-16	To accept the Agenda for the Monday March 14, 2016 Public Hearing, as presented.
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Deputy Mayor Gervais presented Council with Bylaw 761-2016 – Taxi Bylaw.

Deputy Mayor Gervais advised Council that there was one written submission received.

Deputy Mayor Gervais called for comments from the public wishing to speak in favour of Bylaw 761-2016. No one came forward.

Deputy Mayor Gervais called a second time for comments from the public wishing to speak in favour of Bylaw 761-2016. No one came forward.

Deputy Mayor Gervais called for comments from the public wishing to speak in opposition of Bylaw 761-2016. Five people came forward.

Edward King addressed Council:

- Thought the Bylaw was a little premature and questioned as to whether this Bylaw should apply to all public sectors in the Town.
- Should all people have to have a criminal record check to work with the public as he feels that this Bylaw is unfairly targeting people?

Roy Herold addressed Council:

- Thinks the Bylaw is absurd and ridiculous.
- Questioned Council on what other businesses had to have criminal checks done.
- The last time the Taxi bylaw came forward it was squashed due to there being no merits.
- Informed Council that he called Barrhead, Swan Hills and Whitecourt and these Towns do not have a Taxi Bylaw as it was difficult for Taxi's to continue to operate.
- Had questions on if Council was in the business of running businesses.

Kate Young addressed Council:

- Would like taxi cabs to stay running as they currently are.

Karen Coulson addressed Council:

- Wants to know if fees to take the cabs will go up if the Bylaw goes thru.

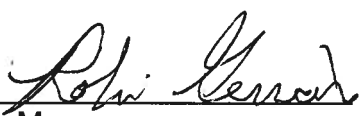
Dan Wardrop addressed Council:

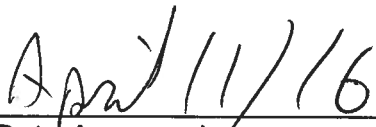
- Does not feel that it is necessary to have regular inspections done as he is confident that Roy Herold comes to fix his cars as soon as there is a problem as is confident that the repairs are being done correctly.

Deputy Mayor Gervais called a second time for comments from the public wishing to speak in opposition of Bylaw 761-2016. No one came forward.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Gervais adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:48 pm.


Deputy Mayor
Robin Gervais


Date Approved


Chief Administrative Officer
Roy Dell