

Council Highlights briefly identify decisions made by Town of Blackfalds Council. Residents, businesses, and stakeholders are encouraged to keep in touch with Council news. Council meetings are live streamed on the Town's [YouTube channel](#). Official minutes are posted on the Town of Blackfalds website at [www.blackfalds.ca](http://www.blackfalds.ca). Archived minutes are available by request.

## Highlights of the Regular Meeting of Council – May 14, 2024

### WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover welcomed everyone to the Regular Council Meeting of May 14, 2024, and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDAS

Removal of Regular Agenda Business item 6.8 Request for Decision, Blackfalds Xing Sanitary Trunk (NE-22-39-27-W4) Project Award and Council adopted the Regular Agenda for May 14, 2024, as amended.

Council adopted the Consent Agenda for May 14, 2024, as presented, containing:

- **Declaration of No Interest** (*conflict of duty and interest, pecuniary or other*)
- **Adoption of Minutes**
  - Regular Council Meeting Minutes - April 23, 2024
- **Council Reports**  
None
- **Administrative Reports**
  - Report for Council, Enforcement and Protective Services Monthly Report - April 2024
  - Report for Council, Development & Building Monthly Report - April 2024
- **Boards, Committee and Commission Minutes and/or Reports**
  - Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes - March 26, 2024
  - Family & Community Support Services Board Meeting Minutes - April 11, 2024
- **Information**
  - City of Lacombe Council Highlights - April 22, 2024
  - Lacombe County Council Highlights - April 25, 2024
- **Correspondence**
  - Email from M. King – National Police Federation, Re: Bill 11 Resolutions at Alberta Municipalities - April 26, 2024
  - Letter from NRDRWSC, Re: Provincial Drought Management Education and Communication - May 2, 2024
  - Email from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada - May 9, 2024, Re: Celebrate Citizenship Week May 13 to 19, 2024

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**DELEGATION****Introduction of Staff Sgt. Andrew Allan**

Director Morrison introduced and welcomed Staff Sgt. Andrew Allan to the Blackfalds RCMP Detachment.

**BUSINESS****Request for Decision, Mayor Hoover – Notice of Motion, McKay Ranch Area Structure Plan**

Following the Notice of Motion that was put forward by Mayor Hoover on April 23, 2024, CAO Isaak brought forward an accompanying administrative report supporting the motion. Council approved to raise the matter of the McKay Ranch Area Structure Plan sooner than the six (6) month time period outlined in Bylaw 1289.23 – Council Procedural Bylaw. In addition, Council waived the Area Structure Plan Submission Fee when the McKay Ranch Area Structure Plan is brought back to Council for consideration.

**Request for Decision, Proposed Bill 20 - Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act**

CAO Isaak brought forward for discussion the News Release from Alberta Municipalities regarding the new proposed Bill 20, the *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act*. Council directed the Mayor to send a letter to the Premier and copies to Minister of Municipal Affairs, Ric McIver, and MLA Johnson, on behalf of the Town of Blackfalds recommending that the Government of Alberta rescind Bill 20, the *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act*. In addition, Council directed Administration to release a Media Release regarding the letter recommending that the Government of Alberta rescind Bill 20, the *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act*.

**Request for Decision, Bylaw 1308.24 - Valley Ridge Area Structure Plan**

Director Weran, on behalf of Manager Tejkl, presented the Valley Ridge Area Structure Plan Bylaw for Council's consideration of First Reading and subsequent setting of a Public Hearing for June 11, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Council gave First Reading to Bylaw 1308.24 – Valley Ridge Area Structure Plan and set a Public Hearing for June 11, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

**Request for Decision, Bylaw 1309.24 - Valley Ridge Phase 6 Redistributing**

Director Weran, on behalf of Manager Tejkl, brought forward for First Reading Bylaw 1309.24, being a Bylaw to redistrict Phase 6 of Valley Ridge and subsequent setting of a Public Hearing for June 11, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Council gave First Reading to Bylaw 1309.24, to the redistrict Pt. NW 27-39-27-W4M to Residential High Density District (R-4) and set a Public Hearing for June 11, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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**Request for Decision, Proposed Subdivision S-01-24 Valley Ridge Phase 6**

Director Weran, on behalf of Manager Tejkl, brought forward for Council's consideration a Subdivision Application to subdivide out a parcel within Phase 6 of Valley Ridge. Council moved to approve the subdivision of Pt. NW 27-39-27-W4M, subject to the following conditions:

1. That pursuant to Section 84 of the *Land Titles Act*, the subdivision, as shown on the attached sketch, is registered by Plan of Survey.
2. That pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the *Municipal Government Act*, all outstanding property taxes are to be paid, or some other arrangements satisfactory to the Town of Blackfalds for payment thereof be made.
3. That pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the developer enters into a Development Agreement with the Town concerning the servicing and development of the subdivision and payment of off-site levies.
4. That pursuant to Section 655(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, that the owner/developer register utility easement right of way as per the requirements of the Town of Blackfalds and/or utility companies concurrent with or prior to registering the subdivisions Plan of Survey.

**Request for Decision, Intranet Project**

Director de Bresser introduced for Council's consideration of the implementation of a staff intranet. Council directed Administration to implement a staff-wide intranet.

**Request for Decision, 2024 Spring Budget Adjustments**

Director de Bresser brought forward for approval the recommended spring adjustments to the 2024 Budget. Council approved the 2024 Operating Budget Adjustments and the 2024 Capital Budget Adjustments, as presented.

**Request for Decision, Aspen Lakes West School Site Capital Project Revisions**

Director Weran brought forward the proposed revisions to the Aspen Lakes West School Site. Council resolved to increase the 2024 Capital Budget by \$2.4 million for the Aspen Lakes West School Site Project, formally called the Catholic School Services Project. In addition, Council authorized the CAO to proceed with contract negotiations with the developer.

**Request for Decision, Town of Sylvan Lake 1913 Days Parade Invitation**

Legislative Coordinator Nealon brought forward an invitation received from the Town of Sylvan Lake for the 1913 Days Parade. Council moved to send regrets for the 1913 Days Parade Invitation and extend best wishes to the Town of Sylvan Lake for a successful parade.

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**Request for Decision, Stettler Steel Wheel Stampede Parade Invitation**

Legislative Coordinator Nealon brought forward an invitation received from the Town of Stettler for the Steel Wheel Stampede Parade. Council moved to send regrets for the Steel Wheel Stampede Parade Invitation and extended best wishes to the Town of Stettler for a successful parade.

**Request for Decision, Proclamation, World Family Doctor Day – May 19, 2024**

Legislative Coordinator Nealon brought forward a request to proclaim May 19, 2024, as World Family Doctor Day. Council proclaimed May 19, 2024, as World Family Doctor Day in Blackfalds.

**RECESS**

Mayor Hoover called for a five-minute recess at 8:12 p.m.

**CONFIDENTIAL**

- **Leung Road Capital Project - FOIP Section 24(1) Advice from Officials**
- **Land Donations - FOIP Section 24(1) Advice from Officials**

Council moved into a closed session commencing at 8:17 p.m. in accordance with Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* to discuss matters exempt from disclosure under Section 24 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

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