

Highlights of the Regular Council Meeting – December 14, 2021

Council Highlights briefly identify decisions made by the 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.com. Archived minutes are available by request.

DELEGATION

Alberta Regional Rail in the Calgary – Edmonton Corridor

Thomas Fryer gave a presentation on establishing a rail network in the Calgary – Edmonton Corridor, connecting all the towns and cities, providing an integrated transport network which utilizes existing infrastructure. A letter of support was requested for this initiative.

BUSINESS

Request for Decision, Standing Committee Meeting Cancellation – December 20

The Standing Committee Meeting scheduled for December 20, 2021 was cancelled.

Request for Decision – Recreation, Culture and Parks Board and Policing Committee Resignations and Appointments

One member of the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board (Erin Davis) and one member of the Policing Committee (Louise Rellis) resigned their member-at-large positions. Trent Kroetsch was appointed to the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board and Mike Walker was appointed to the Policing Committee for three-year terms.

Request for Decision – Development Officer Appointments

Section 1.4.2 of the Town of Blackfalds Land Use Bylaw 1198/16 requires that a Development Officer be appointed by a resolution of Council. Development Officers are needed to ensure compliance with the Land Use Bylaw; and, due to staffing changes, there is currently only one Development Officer appointed. Development Officer Candice Hilgersom and Planning and Development Manager Jolene Tejkl were appointed as Development Officers.

Request for Decision – Soper Annexation Notice of Intent

On February 22, 2021 a County landowner contacted the Town of Blackfalds to request the annexation of their lands, located at NE 24-39-27-W4M, into the Town of Blackfalds. Administration has now prepared a draft Notice of Intent to initiate the formal annexation application to the Land and Property Rights Tribunal. Council directed Administration to proceed with providing the Notice of Intent to all involved parties.

Request for Decision – 2022 Capital Budget

The Capital Plan was presented at the November 15th Standing Committee of Council, where feedback was received with the motion to bring the Budget forward for approval. The Capital Budget was approved as presented.



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Request for Decision – 2022 Interim Operating Budget

At the June 22, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, it was determined an interim Operating Budget would be brought forward to Council for approval prior to the year end. This will be followed by a review of the Draft Budget, and then approval of the Final Operating Budget in the spring of 2022. The interim Operating Budget was approved as presented.

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

AJHL Showcase Support Letter

Director Barnes requested a letter of support for hosting the 2022 AJHL Showcase for September 30, October 1 and 2. Council approved providing a letter of support for this initiative.

INFORMATION

Council received the items below for information:

- Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools – Proposed Elementary School Build (verbal)
- Notice of Subdivision Application S-045-21
- Canada Community Revitalization Grant
- Report to Council, Building and Development Permit Report – November 2021
- Report to Council, Enforcement Services Monthly Report – November 2021
- BOLT Transit Report – November 2021
- City of Lacombe Council Meeting Highlights – November 22, 2021
- Lacombe County Council Meeting Highlights – November 30, 2021

MINUTES

Council reviewed and adopted the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting on November 23, 2021; and, the Special Council Meeting on November 29, 2021.

Confidential – Closed Sessions

Council held four in-camera sessions at 8:26 p.m. pursuant to s. 17, 19, 24 and 24 of the FOIP Act. Council returned to the Regular Council Meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Council directed Administration to proceed as directed in camera.

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Upcoming Council Meeting:

Regular Council Meeting – Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Council Meetings are held in the
Council Chambers on Level 2
Civic Cultural Centre | 5018 Waghorn Street

Council meetings are occurring in person and via live stream.

Please see our YouTube channel for complete meeting.

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