

Highlights of the Regular Council Meeting – March 22, 2022

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.

DELEGATIONS

Habitat for Humanity

Karen Vavrek from Habitat for Humanity presented the goals and targets for the Aspen Lakes West Phase II Build.

Welcome Video - BHPARC

EDO Chris Johnson played the new [Blackfalds Welcome Video](#).

BUSINESS

CAO Report

Acting CAO de Bresser reviewed the various organizational operations and activities during the month of March.

Request for Decision – Panorama / Parkwood Drive Intersection Improvement Options

Following the results of the survey requested by Council, 81% voted for option 2 for the intersection improvements. Option 2 would: remove the existing pedestrian crosswalk on the north side of the intersection, install new pedestrian crosswalks on the west and south sides of the intersection; and re-configure both eastbound and westbound configurations to one dedicated left turn lane, one through lane and one dedicated right turn lane. Council moved to go forward with option 2 and to prepare a change order for the work through the existing Border Paving contract, using \$175,000 from the allocated capital funds and \$45,000 from the Streets Reserves.

Request for Decision – EV Charging Station Grant

The Municipal Climate Change Action Centre is providing grant funding for municipalities to support investments in electric vehicle charging stations. Administration requested feedback on supporting the program. Council moved to support the implementation of an EV charging program.

Request for Decision – Fire Services Agreement

The proposed mutual aid agreement between the City of Lacombe and Town of Blackfalds outlines the extent of fire services provided and how these services will be standardized and delivered. The agreement also identifies requirements for equipment maintenance, training, record keeping, reporting and communication. It also outlines a fee schedule that will be utilized to compensate for the municipality providing the assistance. Council moved to enter into the proposed mutual aid agreement with the City of Lacombe.



Request for Decision – Blackfalds Food Bank Building – Interior Upgrades

The Town of Blackfalds and the Blackfalds Food Bank Society have partnered to complete some renovations required for the Food Bank Building. The Food Bank Society does not have sufficient funds at this time to complete all the interior renovations and have determined that they would proceed with the teaching kitchen and washroom/office portions. The cost to complete this work is approximately \$185,000. Council agreed to provide funding up to \$65,000 for the Food Bank Society's interior renovations.

Request for Decision – Pavement Study

The overall goal of the Town's Asset Management Plan for roadways is to develop a pavement renewal strategy that will keep the road network at an acceptable condition level for the lowest possible life cycle cost. Council allocated \$33,424 towards the 2022 Pavement Management Study.

Request for Decision – Fees and Fines Bylaw 1269.22

It was recommended by legal Counsel that Fees and Fines be separated from the Land Use Bylaw into its own separate Bylaw. This includes three schedules: Development Fees, Miscellaneous Fees, Development Permit Application Fees, and Plans, Statutory Documents and Subdivision Fees, Building Permit Fees, Offences and Penalties. Council passed first reading of this Bylaw.

Request for Decision – Land Use Bylaw 1268.22

The draft LUB has been presented to the Standing Committee of Council in March and June of 2021. Since that time there have been further amendments made to the LUB due to continued feedback from shareholders and staffing changes. Council gave first reading to this Bylaw and set a Public Hearing date of April 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Request for Decision – FCSS Board Resignation

At the February 10th, 2022, FCSS Board Meeting, an email was presented from Theresa Franko resigning her member-at-large term effective immediately. Council accepted the resignation with regrets.

Request for Decision – Policing Committee Resignation

At the March 16th, 2022, Police Committee Meeting an email was presented from Mike Walker resigning from his position on the Committee effective immediately. Council accepted the resignation with regrets.

INFORMATION

Council received the items below for information:

- City of Lacombe Council Highlights – February 28, 2022
- City of Lacombe Council Highlights – March 14, 2022
- FCSS Minutes – February 10, 2022
- Lacombe County Council Highlights – March 10, 2022

Upcoming Council Meeting:

Regular Council Meeting – April 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

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ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Mayor and Council shared meetings and events attended from February 2022 to March 2022.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Council reviewed and adopted the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting on March 8, 2022 and for the Standing Committee Meeting on March 14, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

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