



Town of Blackfalds  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Civic Centre, 5018 Waghorn Street**  
**MINUTES**

A Regular Council meeting for the Town of Blackfalds was held on Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at the Civic Cultural Centre, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Jamie Hoover  
Deputy Mayor Marina Appel  
Councillor Brenda Dennis  
Councillor Jim Sands  
Councillor Rebecca Stendie  
Councillor Laura Svab

**ATTENDING**

Myron Thompson, CAO  
Justin de Bresser, Director of Corporate Services  
Sean Barnes, Director of Community Services  
Preston Weran, Director of Infrastructure and Property Services  
Jolene Tejkl, Manager of Planning and Development  
Marco Jadie, IT Analyst  
Kalina Van Winssen, Executive Assistant

**REGRETS**

None

**MEDIA**

None

**PUBLIC**

Thomas Fryer, Alberta Regional Rail  
Vern Raincock, Alberta Regional Rail

**CALL TO  
ORDER:**

Mayor Hoover called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**TREATY SIX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

A Land Acknowledgement was read to recognize that the Town of Blackfalds is on Treaty Six territory.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**368/21**

Councillor Svab moved that Council adopt the December 14, 2021 agenda as amended by adding action correspondence item 8.1 - Letter of Support for the Alberta Junior Hockey League Showcase.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**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.



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**BUSINESS**

**Request for Decision, Standing Committee Meeting Cancellation – December 20**

Administration recommended that the December 20<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee Meeting be cancelled.

- 369/21** Councillor Stendie moved that Council cancel the December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Standing Committee Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

One member of the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board and one member of the Policing Committee resigned their member-at-large positions.

- 370/21** Deputy Mayor Appel moved to formally accept the resignation of Erin Davis from the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Board effective immediately, with regrets.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 371/21** Councillor Sands moved to formally accept the resignation of Louise Rellis from the Policing Committee effective immediately, with regrets.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Request for Decision – Appointment of Members at Large**

The Policing Committee and the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board currently have one (1) vacancy each for a citizen, due to recent resignations.

- 372/21** Councillor Svab moved to appoint Mike Walker as a member at large to the Policing Committee for a 3-year term effective immediately and ending October 31, 2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 373/21** Councillor Dennis moved to appoint Trent Kroetsch as a member at large to the Blackfalds & District Recreation, Culture & Parks Board for a 3-year term effective immediately and ending October 31, 2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**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, currently there is only one Development Officer appointed.

- 374/21** Councillor Stendie moved to appoint Candice Hilgersom as a Development Officer for the Town of Blackfalds.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 375/21** Councillor Svab moved to appoint Jolene Tejkl as a Development Officer for the Town of Blackfalds.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**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.

- 376/21** Councillor Sands moved that Council authorize the Notice of Intent to initiate the annexation process of the land parcel identified as NE 24-39-27-W4M; and, provide this written Notice of Intent to Lacombe County and all other parties as per the *Municipal Government Act* and the Land & Property Rights Tribunal Annexation Procedure Rules.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Request for Decision – 2022 Capital Budget**

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

- 377/21** Councillor Stendie moved that Council approve the 2022 Capital Budget as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**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.

- 378/21** Councillor Sands moved that Council accept the 2022 interim Operating Budget as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**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.

- 379/21** Deputy Mayor Appel moved that Council provide a letter of support for the AJHL Showcase.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**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



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**380/21** Councillor Svab moved to accept the Information Items as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**381/21** Deputy Mayor Appel moved that Council accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from November 23, 2021 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**382/21** Councillor Svab moved that Council accept the Special Council Meeting Minutes from November 29, 2021 as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF COUNCIL**

None.

**BREAK**

**383/21** Councillor Dennis moved for a five-minute recess at 8:20 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING RETURNED TO ORDER**

Mayor Hoover called the Regular Council Meeting back to order at 8:25 p.m.

**CONFIDENTIAL – Closed Session**

- **FOIP S. 17**
- **FOIP S. 19**
- **FOIP S. 24**
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**384/21** Councillor Svab moved that Council move to a closed session commencing at 8:26 p.m. in accordance with Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* to discuss matters exempt from disclosure under Sections 17, 19, 24 of Alberta's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Closed Session Attendance - FOIP S.17:** Mayor Jamie Hoover, Deputy Mayor Marina Appel, Councillor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, Councillor Rebecca Stendie, Councillor Laura Svab, CAO Myron Thompson

**Closed Session Attendance - FOIP S.19:** Mayor Jamie Hoover, Deputy Mayor Marina Appel, Councillor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, Councillor Rebecca Stendie, Councillor Laura Svab, CAO Myron Thompson

**Closed Session Attendance - FOIP S.24:** Mayor Jamie Hoover, Deputy Mayor Marina Appel, Councillor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, Councillor Rebecca Stendie, Councillor Laura Svab, CAO Myron Thompson

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*A Councillor recused themselves from the meeting at 9:07 p.m.*

**385/21** Councillor Dennis moved to come out of the closed session at 9:26 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**386/21** Councillor Sands moved that Council direct Administration to proceed as recommended in Camera.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Hoover adjourned the meeting at 9:27 p.m.

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Jamie Hoover, Mayor

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Myron Thompson, CAO