



Town of Blackfalds
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
5018 Waghorn Street - Council Chambers
MINUTES

A Regular Council meeting for the Town of Blackfalds was held on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, in Council Chambers, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Richard Poole
Deputy Mayor Laura Svab
Councillor Marina Appel
Councillor Jamie Hoover
Councillor Ray Olfert
Councillor Rebecca Stendie
Councillor Will Taylor

ATTENDING

Myron Thompson, CAO
Preston Weran, Director of Infrastructure and Property Services
Darolee Bouteiller, Manager of Corporate Services
Laura Thevanez, Manager of Infrastructure Services
Cory Babey, IT Manager
Marco Jadie, Information Technology Analyst
Kalina Van Winssen, Executive Assistant
S/Sgt. Dan Martin, RCMP

REGRETS

None

MEDIA

None

PUBLIC

None

CALL TO

ORDER: Mayor Poole called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Lacombe Days Parade was added under Action Correspondence as item 7.4, and Lacombe Days Dignitaries Breakfast was added under Action Correspondence as item 7.5.

206/21 Deputy Mayor Svab moved that Council adopt the July 13, 2021 agenda as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

RCMP Report – S/Sgt. Dan Martin

S/Sgt. Dan Martin provided Council with an update on RCMP crime statistics, hiring and clearance rates from January to June, 2021.

BUSINESS

Request for Decision – Second Quarter Directors Quarterly Report

Council was given an update on the Corporate Services, Community Services, and Infrastructure and Property Services departments.



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207/21 Councillor Appel moved that the second quarter Directors Quarterly Report be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision – Special Ballots

Administration provided information on procedures required for including special ballots (mail-in ballots) in the 2021 Election.

208/21 Councillor Taylor moved that Council direct Administration to provide special ballots in the 2021 Election.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision – 2022 Budget Public Engagement

In the past The Town of Blackfalds has used several different means of community engagement to determine their annual budget: an interactive survey with Citizen Budget, an in-house survey, attending an open house at the Community Information Expo, and Budget Week. Administration requested direction from Council on how they would like to receive feedback for the 2022 budget.

209/21 Councillor Olfert moved that Council approve proceeding with an in-house budget survey.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

210/21 Deputy Mayor Svab moved that Council participate in the Community Information Expo.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision – National Drowning Week

The Lifesaving Society has declared the week of July 18 to 24, 2021 National Drowning Prevention Week to create awareness and aide in the prevention of drowning. Staff are working on a social media campaign that will run during National Drowning Prevention Week to bring awareness to this issue.

211/21 Councillor Olfert moved that Council proclaim July 18 to 24, 2021 as National Drowning Prevention Week in the Town of Blackfalds.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision – Replacement of Blackfalds Connect with Citizen Request Portal

The Town currently utilizes Blackfalds Connect (provided by SeeClickFix) as its non-emergency reporting program for Blackfalds residents. The Citizen Request Portal (CRP) module provided by PSD City Wide Inc. includes much of the same functionality of Blackfalds Connect in that it captures non-emergency residential complaint issues and includes details on persons submitting, address, applicable department, status, etc. Since the CRP is integrated into the EAM Work Order system, a service request and work order can be created, and there are additional cost savings for Administration.

212/21 Councillor Hoover directed that Administration move forward with the use of Citizen Request Portal to replace Blackfalds Connect.

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ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

Request from Rural Red Deer Restorative Justice Program

The Rural Red Deer Restorative Justice Community Advisory Council requested space at the Protective Services Building for meetings between young offenders, facilitators and those they harmed.

- 213/21** Councillor Taylor moved that Council provide space at the Protective Services Building for Rural Red Deer Restorative Justice Program meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AUMA Awards

The AUMA awards acknowledge and congratulate leaders who have demonstrated innovation and distinction in their respective municipalities and communities.

- 214/21** Deputy Mayor Svab moved that Council nominate Councillor Will Taylor for the Distinguished Service Award.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Stettler Steel Wheel Parade Invitation – July 17

A request was made by the Stettler Regional Board of Trade for Mayor Poole to attend the Stettler Steel Wheel Parade and Luncheon on July 17, 2021.

- 215/21** Councillor Appel moved that Mayor Poole attend the Steel Wheel Parade and Luncheon.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lacombe Days Parade and Dignitary Luncheon Invitation – July 24

A request was made by the City of Lacombe for a Council Member to participate in the Lacombe Days Parade and Dignitary's Breakfast.

- 216/21** Councillor Olfert moved that Deputy Mayor Svab attend the Lacombe Days Parade and Dignitary's Breakfast.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INFORMATION

- Report to Council, Building and Development Permit Report – June 2021
- Report to Council, Enforcement Services Monthly Report – June 2021
- BOLT Transit Report – June 2021
- City of Lacombe, Council Highlights for June 28, 2021
- Lacombe County Council Highlights for June 24, 2021
- Red Deer River Municipal Users Group Newsletter – July 2021
- Parkland Library Open House Invitation – July 17, 2021
- Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program Letter

- 217/21** Councillor Stendie moved to accept the Information Items as information.

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ADOPTION OF MINUTES

218/21 Councillor Hoover moved that Council accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from June 22, 2021 as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICES OF MOTION

None

BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF COUNCIL

Plaque Awards to Schools

Mayor Poole noted that Plaques have been awarded to all four schools in the community to thank school employees, administrators, educational assistants and teachers for their work during COVID.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Poole adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Richard Poole, Mayor

Myron Thompson, CAO