



County of Minburn Council Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2022

Attendance:

Reeve
Deputy Reeve
Councillors

Roger Konieczny
Clifford Wowdzia
Joey Nafziger
Eric Anderson
Tara Kuzio
Carl Ogrodnick
Kevin Bentley (virtual attendance)
Brent Williams
Trudy Shukalak

Chief Administrative Officer
Recording Secretary

1 CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Nafziger moved the Agenda for the March 21, 2022 regular Council meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried

3 MINUTES

Councillor Kuzio moved the minutes of the February 22, 2022 regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

5 PUBLIC HEARING

5.1 Pursuant to Section 230(1) of the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)*, the Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 1325 to amend Land Use Bylaw No. 1254-16 was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

Reeve Konieczny asked if anyone wished to be heard by Council.

Reeve Konieczny closed the Public Hearing at 11:08 a.m.

6 DELEGATION

6.1 RMA MEMBER VISIT

Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) President Paul McLauchlin, District 5 Director Kevin Wirst, Executive Director Gerald Rhodes and Director of External Relations and Advocacy Tasha Blumenthal joined the meeting to discuss rural issues.

RECESS

The meeting recessed at 12:10 p.m.

RECONVENE

The meeting reconvened at 12:59 p.m.

- 7 WILDE & COMPANY**
- Renee Senko and Jody Kirton of Wilde and Company Chartered Accountants joined the meeting to present the 2021 Audited Financial Statement.
- Resolution No: 2022-23** **7.1** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved the Audited Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 2021 be approved as presented.
Carried
- 8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**
- 8.1 Operations Report**
- Norm De Wet presented the monthly Operations report.
- Councillor Kuzio moved the Operations report be accepted as presented.
Carried
- 8.2 Planning and Development Report**
- Davin Gegolick presented the monthly Planning and Development report.
- Councillor Ogrodnick moved the Planning and Development report be accepted as presented.
Carried
- 8.3 Agriculture and Utilities Report**
- Darwin Ullery presented the monthly Agriculture and Utility Services report.
- Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved the Agriculture and Utility Services report be accepted as presented.
Carried
- 8.4 Emergency Services Report**
- Mike Fundytus presented the monthly Emergency Services report.
- Councillor Kuzio moved the Emergency Services report be accepted as presented.
Carried
- 8.5 Financial Report**
- Jason Warawa presented the monthly Financial report.
- Councillor Nafziger moved the Financial report be accepted as presented.
Carried
- 9. NEW BUSINESS**
- Resolution No: 2022-24** **9.1** **Oiling Program Amendment**
- Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to amend the 2022 oiling program as presented.
Carried
- Resolution No: 2022-25** **9.2** **Oiled Roads Policy**
- Councillor Anderson moved to approve Oiled Roads Policy OP 9002-01 as presented.
Carried

- Resolution No: 9.3**
2022-26 **Dust Control Policy**
- Councillor Kuzio moved to approve Dust Control Policy with Calcium and Oil Policy OP 9001-01 as amended.
Carried
- Resolution No: 9.4**
2022-27 **Crew Truck Purchase**
- Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to approve the purchase of two 1-ton 4x4 crew cab trucks and one ¾ ton 4x4 crew cab from Vegreville Ford for a total cost of \$164,559.30.
Carried
- Resolution No: 9.5**
2022-28 **Land Use Bylaw Amendment**
- Bylaw No. 1325-22 pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)* was presented for the purpose of amending County of Minburn Land Use Bylaw No. 1254-16.
- Councillor Anderson moved Bylaw No. 1325-22 be given second reading.
Carried
- Councillor Kuzio moved Bylaw No. 1325-22 be given third reading.
Carried
- Resolution No: 9.6**
2022-29 **MDP Review – Tender Submission**
- Councillor Anderson moved to award the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) Review contract to Green Space Alliance for a total cost of \$36,710 plus GST.
Carried
- Resolution No: 9.7**
2022-30 **Enel Green Power Development Agreement**
- Councillor Anderson moved to sign the Enel Green Power development agreement as presented.
Carried
- Resolution No: 9.8**
2022-31 **Coulter Gravel Agreement**
- Councillor Nafziger moved to enter into a Gravel Royalty and Storage Agreement with Blaine Coulter.
Carried
- Resolution No: 9.9**
2022-32 **Rotary Club Lending Bylaw**
- Bylaw No. 1327-22 was presented authorizing the lending of up to \$75,000 to the Rotary Club of Vegreville for the purpose of developing a bike and skate park.
- Councillor Kuzio moved Bylaw No. 1327-22 be given first reading.
Carried
- Resolution No: 9.10**
2022-33 **Borrowing Bylaw**
- Bylaw No. 1328-22 was presented to provide for the borrowing of \$4,500,000 from ATB Financial, Vegreville, Alberta.
- Councillor Anderson moved Bylaw No. 1328-22 be given first reading.
Carried
- Councillor Kuzio moved Bylaw No. 1328-22 be given second reading.
Carried
- Councillor Nafziger moved Council unanimously and in full agreement to give Bylaw No. 1328-22 third reading at this meeting.
Carried

Councillor Bentley moved Bylaw No. 1328-22 be given third reading.

Carried

10 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Council reported on the monthly activities and Board/Committee meetings attended:

Councillor Nafziger - Division 1

- Northern Lights Library System (NLLS) Board virtual meeting, March 4, 2022
- Committee of the Whole meeting, March 10, 2022
- RMA 2022 Spring Convention, March 13 to 16, 2022
- Received several calls regarding private driveway snow clearing, snow removal and road washout issues

Councillor Anderson - Division 2

- Committee of the Whole meeting, March 10, 2022
- RMA 2022 Spring Convention, March 15 and 16, 2022
- Signed letter to Minister of Environment Canada and Climate Change and Minister of Health regarding synthetic fertilizer emissions and use of 2% liquid strychnine
- Received several calls regarding snow removal

Reeve Konieczny - Division 3

- Committee of the Whole meeting, March 10, 2022
- RMA 2022 Spring Convention, March 14, 2022
- Received several calls regarding snow removal
- Received call regarding roadside brushing and mulching

Deputy Reeve Wowdzia - Division 4

- Presented 75-year anniversary plaque to New Kiew Women's League, March 6, 2022
- Committee of the Whole meeting, March 10, 2022
- RMA 2022 Spring Convention, March 14 to 16, 2022
- Received several calls regarding snow removal
- Received call regarding snow build-up on Akasu Road

Councillor Kuzio - Division 5

- Vegreville Region Physician and Health Professional Attraction and Retention Committee virtual meeting, March 3, 2022
- Committee of the Whole meeting, March 10, 2022
- Elected Officials Education Program (EOEP) Service Delivery course, March 13, 2022
- Meeting with Municipal Affairs Minister, March 14, 2022
- RMA 2022 Spring Convention, March 14 to 16, 2022
- Synergy luncheon hosted by Brownlee LLP, March 16, 2022
- MD of Minburn Foundation meeting, March 18, 2022
- Received several calls regarding snow removal
- Received call regarding ATCO Electric work on correction line

Councillor Ogrodnick - Division 6

- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce meeting, March 3, 2022
- Vegreville Tourism Advisory Board meeting, March 7, 2022
- Committee of the Whole meeting, March 10, 2022
- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce spring fundraiser meeting, March 10, 2022
- MD of Minburn Foundation meeting, March 18, 2022
- Meeting with Municipal Affairs Minister, March 14, 2022
- RMA 2022 Spring Convention, March 14 to 16, 2022
- Road weight restrictions and bans

Councillor Bentley - Division 7

- Vermilion River Watershed Alliance virtual meeting, February 24, 2022
- Committee of the Whole meeting, March 10, 2022
- Meeting with Municipal Affairs Minister, March 14, 2022
- RMA 2022 Spring Convention, March 14, 2022

Councillor Ogradnick moved the Council reports be accepted as presented.

Carried

11 REEVE’S REPORT

Reeve Konieczny reported and commented on the following:

- Attended Province of Alberta workshop regarding policing in Alberta, March 2, 2022
- Attended Mayors and Reeves meeting, Edmonton Convention Centre, March 4, 2022
- Received call from Town of Vegreville Mayor Tim MacPhee regarding Stand with Ukraine Committee
- Met with Municipal Affairs Minister, March 14, 2022
- Received call regarding collection of empty chemical containers

Councillor Nafziger moved the Reeve's report be accepted as presented.

Carried.

12 CAO’S REPORT

Brent Williams presented the CAO's monthly report.

Councillor Anderson moved the CAO's report be accepted as presented.

Carried

13 CORRESPONDENCE

Council reviewed the following items of correspondence:

13.1 Town of Two Hills – February Meeting Letter

Letter proposing idea of communities meeting to discuss issues that directly affect the region.

13.2 Town of Two Hills – March Meeting Letter

Proposed meeting date of April 12 or 13 for community leaders to meet to discuss regional municipal issues.

13.3 Vegreville RCMP Report

Vegreville Provincial Detachment Call for Service report for the period January to December 2021.

13.4 Lamont County Media Release on Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine

Lamont County commits \$5,000 to Ukrainian humanitarian aid, and challenges surrounding municipalities to also donate.

13.5 Innisfree Delnorte School Sports Area

Letter received from Innisfree Delnorte School Financial Society requesting funding for the purpose of resurfacing and repurposing the existing tennis courts located at Delnorte School.

Resolution No:
2022-34

Innisfree Delnorte School Financial Society Funding Request

Councillor Anderson moved to approve Innisfree Delnorte School Financial Society's request for financial support in the amount of \$25,000 for the resurfacing of the existing tennis courts located at the school.

Carried

13.6 MLA Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk Follow-up

Follow-up letter received from MLA Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk regarding her meeting with Council on February 16, 2022, providing information on the assessment model review and unpaid oil and gas taxes.

13.7 Town of Vegreville Press Release – Stand with Ukraine Committee

Town of Vegreville calling for community involvement in new committee created to support Ukraine amid on-going crises.

13.8 Lampburg Cemetery Mowing Request

Letter received from Lampburg Cemetery requesting the County consider roadside mowing from the County road allowance to the cemetery fence.

Resolution No:
2022-35

Lampburg Cemetery Mowing Request

Councillor Kuzio moved to approve Lampburg Cemetery’s mowing request as presented.

Carried

14 Adjournment

Councillor Nafziger moved to adjourn the meeting. Time 3:15 p.m.

Carried

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer