



Council Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2024

Council Members Present: Reeve Roger Konieczny, Division 3
Deputy Reeve Tara Kuzio, Division 5
Councillor Joey Nafziger, Division 1
Councillor Eric Anderson, Division 2
Councillor Cliff Wowdzia, Division 4
Councillor Carl Ogrodnick, Division 6
Councillor Kevin Bentley, Division 7

Administration Present: Pat Podoborzny Chief Administrative Officer
Norm De Wet, Director of Operations
Jason Warawa, Director of Corporate Services
Mike Fundytus, Director of Protective Services
Davin Gegolick, Director of Planning and Community Services
Trudy Shukalak, Senior Administrative Support Specialist
Audra Kropielnicki, Executive Coordinator

- 1 CALL TO ORDER**
Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

2024-183
Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio
THAT the October 21, 2024, regular Council meeting Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried
- 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

3.1 September 11, 2024, Council Meeting

2024-184
Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia
THAT the September 11, 2024, regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried
- 4 DELEGATIONS**
- 5 Council Priorities**

2024-185
Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick
THAT the Council Priorities be accepted as information.

Carried

6 REQUESTS FOR DECISION

6.1 2025 Hamlet/Highway Cleanup Program

2024-186

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council approve the 2025 Hamlet/Highway Clean-up Program as presented.

Carried

6.2 Road Closure Bylaw No. 1353-24

2024-187

Moved by: Councillor Bentley

THAT Council approve first reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1353-24 for the purpose of closing to public travel and disposing portions of a public roadway in accordance with Section 22 of the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)*, Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, Chapter M-26.

Carried

6.3 Cemetery Survey Change Order

2024-188

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council approve the change orders for the Cemetery Survey Project for a total of \$71,100 as presented.

Carried

6.4 Letter of Support

2024-189

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT Council provide a letter of support to Go East of Edmonton Regional Tourism Organization for their application to the 2025 Travel Alberta Rural Development and Promotion Fund.

6.5 Gravel Haul Contract

2024-190

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council approve a three-year extension of the gravel haul contract with Ken-X Energy, with the costs for 2025 remaining the same as the 2024 contract, and further, that the 2026 and 2027 contract costs be measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Carried

6.6 Interim Borrowing Bylaw No. 1352-24

2024-191

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT Bylaw No. 1352-24 to provide for the ability to borrow \$4,500,000 from ATB Financial for the 2025 fiscal year if required be given first reading.

Carried

2024-192

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Bylaw No. 1352-24 be given second reading.

Carried

2024-193

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council unanimously and in full agreement give Bylaw No. 1352-24 third reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

2024-194

Moved by: Councillor Bentley
THAT Bylaw No. 1352-24 be given third reading.

Carried

6.7 Additional Financial Institutions for Investment Purposes

2024-195

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio
THAT Council approve BMO as an approved financial institution for investment purposes.

Carried

2024-196

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger
THAT Council approve Bank of Scotia as an approved financial institution for investment purposes.

Carried

6.7 2024 Tax Sale – Reserve Prices and Conditions of Sale

2024-197

Moved by: Councillor Ogradnick
THAT Council approve the reserve prices and conditions of sale for the 2024 Tax Sale as presented.

Carried

6.8 Physician Recruitment Grant Funding Request

2024-198

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger
THAT Council approve a grant in the amount of \$4,000 to the Vegreville Region Physician and Health Professionals Attraction and Retention Committee.

Carried

7 REPORTS

7.1 Reeve

7.2 Council

7.3 CAO

7.4 Operations

7.5 Planning and Community Services

7.6 Protective Services

Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

7.7 Corporate Services

2024-199

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio
THAT Council accept the reports as presented.

Carried

8 CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

8.1 Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Club – In-Kind Donation Request

Letter received from the Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Club requesting the County of Minburn provide them with a culvert, labour and equipment to install the culvert at the Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Course as an in-kind donation.

2024-200

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council approve to provide a culvert to the Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Club as an in-kind donation as per their request.

Carried

8.2 Alberta Municipal Affairs – Carbon Tax

Letter received from the Minister of Municipal Affairs inviting all Alberta municipalities to share data relating to the impact of the carbon tax on their operations by completing an online survey.

8.3 AGLC – Charitable Gaming Proceeds

E-mail received from Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis (AGLC) Board regarding their decision to relocate the existing Camrose Casino to the Edmonton market and advising that the casino will remain in the rural pool for charitable gaming events.

8.4 Royal Canadian Legion – Remembrance Day Ceremony

Letter received from the Royal Canadian Legion in Vegreville inviting the County of Minburn's participation in their November 11 Remembrance Day Ceremony commencing with a March at 9:00 a.m. at the Vegreville Legion followed by a ceremony at the Vegreville Social Centre at 11:00 a.m.

8.5 North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance – Funding Request

Letter received from the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance requesting the County of Minburn's continued collaboration and a contribution of \$1,912.80 for 2025 to assist in maintaining the environmental health of the County and the entire watershed.

2024-201

Moved by: Councillor Bentley

THAT Council accept the correspondence as information.

Carried

9 COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (INFORMATION REQUESTS AND NOTICES OF MOTION)

9.1 Action Item List

2024-202

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council accept the Action Item List as information.

Carried

10 CLOSED SESSION

11 OPEN SESSION

12 MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE CLOSED SESSION

13 ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Konieczny declared the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer