

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL - HELD FEBRUARY 2, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the County of Barrhead No. 11 held February 2, 2021 was called to order by Reeve Drozd at 9:04 a.m.

PRESENT

Reeve Doug Drozd
Deputy Reeve Marvin Schatz
Councillor Ron Kleinfeldt
Councillor Bill Lane
Councillor Walter Preugschas
Councillor Darrell Troock (via video conference)
Councillor Dennis Nanninga

STAFF

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| Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager | Tamara Molzahn, Director of Finance |
| Pam Dodds, Executive Assistant | Ken Hove, Director of Infrastructure |
| Jenny Bruns, Development Officer | Moira O'Neill, Municipal Clerk |

DELEGATION

Rod Kause, President LEPA (via video conference)
Sgt Bob Dodds, Barrhead RCMP Detachment
Barry Kerton - Town and Country Newspaper (via video conference)

RECESS

Reeve Drozd recessed the meeting at this time being 9:04 a.m.
Reeve Drozd reconvened the meeting at this time being 9:08 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 2021-024 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that the agenda be approved as presented with the following changes:
- Move information item 6.1 - Letter from MD of Bonnyville Re: Stronger Western Canadian Municipal Advocate, to action item 4.11
 - Move information item 6.4 - Email from Telus Re: Universal Broadband Fund – Letter of Support, to action item 4.12

Carried Unanimously.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD JANUARY 19, 2021

- 2021-025 Moved by Councillor Lane that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held January 19, 2021 be approved with the following amendment:

Add on page 3 to item Delegation – FCSS

Moved by Councillor Lane that Council receive the report from Shelly Dewsnap of FCSS as information.

Carried Unanimously.

Carried Unanimously.

**INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN BYLAW 1-2021 –
COUNTY OF BARRHEAD & LAC STE ANNE COUNTY**

- 2021-026 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council give 1st reading to Bylaw 1-2021, an IDP between the County of Barrhead No. 11 and Lac Ste Anne County.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2021-027 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council set the Public Hearing Date for Bylaw 1-2021 for March 2, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. at County of Barrhead Council Chambers.

Carried Unanimously.



Reeve



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LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT AFFECTING PT. SW 34-61-3-W5

- 2021-028 Moved by Councillor Nanninga that Council give 1st reading to Bylaw 2-2021, Amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 5-2010 to redistrict a portion of Pt. SW 34-61-3-W5 from Agriculture use to Commercial Industrial Use.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2021-029 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council set the public hearing for Bylaw 2-2021, Amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 5-2010 for March 2, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at County of Barrhead Council Chambers

Carried Unanimously.

SUBDIVISION & DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD CLERK APPOINTMENT

- 2021-030 Moved by Councillor Troock that Council appoint Emily House of Milestone Municipal Services to act as Clerk for the Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board between the County of Barrhead and Town of Mayerthorpe.

Carried Unanimously.

Councillor Lane left the meeting at 10:03 a.m. and rejoined at 10:06 a.m.

REPORT – PUBLIC AUCTION DECEMBER 2, 2020

- 2021-031 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council accepts the December 2, 2020 Public Auction Record of Proceedings for information.

Carried Unanimously.

LEPA PROJECT – COMMUNITY DOCK / PARTNERSHIP WITH COUNTY

Rod Kause, President of Lac La Nonne Enhancement and Protection Association (LEPA) met with Council at this time being 10:07 a.m. and provided a powerpoint presentation on projects that LEPA is undertaking.

- 2021-032 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council direct Administration to proceed with the community dock project at Klondike Park in partnership with LEPA as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

Rod Kause and Jenny Bruns departed the meeting at this time being 10:36 a.m.

RECESS

Reeve Drozd recessed the meeting at this time being 10:36 a.m.

Reeve Drozd reconvened the meeting at this time being 10:48 a.m.

Ken Hove joined the meeting at this time being 11:01 a.m.

NEW POLICY – COMMUNITY GRANTS

- 2021-033 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that Council approve Policy AD-002: Community Grants as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

REPORT - PUBLIC WORKS

Ken Hove, Director of Infrastructure, met with Council and reviewed the written report for Public Works and Utilities and answered questions from Council.

- 2021-034 Moved by Councillor Lane that the report from the Director of Infrastructure be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

Ken Hove departed the meeting at this time being 11:49 a.m.



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DELEGATION – SGT DODDS – BARRHEAD RCMP DETACHMENT

Sgt Dodds, Detachment Commander for the Barrhead RCMP detachment met with Council at this time being 11:49 a.m. and reviewed his report on County of Barrhead annual statistics comparisons for last 5 years, department update, and answered questions from Council.

- 2021-035 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that the report from Sgt Dodds, Detachment Commander for the Barrhead RCMP detachment, be received as information.

Carried Unanimously.

Sgt Dodds departed the meeting at this time being 12:08 p.m.

LUNCH RECESS

Reeve Drozd recessed the meeting at this time being 12:09 p.m.

Reeve Drozd reconvened the meeting at this time being 12:40 p.m.

NEW POLICY – COMMUNITY GRANTS (Continued)

- 2021-036 Moved by Councillor Nanninga that Council authorizes Administration to access up to a maximum of \$10,000 from Recreation Organizational Reserves to fund applications received in 2021 under Policy AD-002: Community Grants.

Defeated 4-3.

- 2021-037 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council authorizes Administration to access up to a maximum of \$15,000 from Recreation Organizational Reserves to fund applications received in 2021 under Policy AD-002: Community Grants.

Carried 5-2.

Tamara Molzahn and Moira O'Neill joined the meeting at this time being 1:08 p.m.

2020 TRANSFERS TO RESTRICTED RESERVES

- 2021-038 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council approves the contribution of MOST funding allocated to unpaid taxes of \$633,479 be transferred to Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2021-039 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council approves a transfer of \$225,000 from current year operating surplus to the PW Grader Reserve.

Carried Unanimously.

INVESTMENT POLICY

- 2021-040 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that Council approve Policy FN-001: Investments.

Carried Unanimously.

REQUEST FROM OIL & GAS COMPANY TO CANCEL TAXES

- 2021-041 Moved by Councillor Troock that Council denies the request from the O&G company to cancel taxes in the amount of \$121,393.33.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2021-042 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council direct Administration to engage the O&G company (that drafted the December 17, 2020 letter) for the purpose of entering into a TIPP agreement, in accordance with Bylaw 3-2019

Carried Unanimously.

Moira O'Neill departed the meeting at this time being 1:43 p.m.



Reeve



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REPORTS – DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

2021-043 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council accept the following Director of Finance & Administration's report for information:

- Cash & Taxes Receivable (FINAL) as of December 31, 2020

Carried Unanimously.

Tamara Molzahn departed the meeting at this time being 1:44 p.m.

LETTER FROM MD OF BONNYVILLE – NEED FOR A WESTERN CANADIAN MUNICIPAL ADVOCATE

Council discussed a letter received from the MD of Bonnyville regarding whether or not the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) is sufficiently advocating on behalf of the western province municipalities.

2021-044 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council direct Administration to invite former RMA president Al Kemmere to meet with Council at a future date to discuss the benefits of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Carried Unanimously.

TELUS – UNIVERSAL BROADBAND FUND – LETTER OF SUPPORT

2021-045 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that Council direct Administration to send a letter of support to Telus for their grant application to the Universal Broadband Fund.

Carried Unanimously.

AGENDA INFORMATION ITEMS

2021-046 Moved by Councillor Lane that the following agenda items be received as information:

- Letter from County of Stettler Re: Uncollectable Property Taxes in the County of Stettler/Seniors Housing Requisitions – dated January 21, 2021
- Letter from MD of Spirit River Re: The impact of COVID-19 lockdowns on Albertans – dated January 27, 2021
- Misty Ridge Ski Club Meeting Minutes – December 16, 2020
- FCSS Meeting Minutes – December 17, 2020
- LEPA Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2021

Carried Unanimously.

REPORT – COUNTY MANAGER

Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager, reviewed the 2021 Council Resolution Tracking List and provided a verbal update on:

- Current status of employment opportunities with the County of Barrhead
- Approval of an internship from Municipal Affairs
- Stakeholder Consultations by AER regarding Directive 006
- Broadband responsibilities

Councillor Nanninga left the meeting at 2:16 p.m. and returned at 2:20 p.m.

2021-047 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz to accept the County Manager's report as information.

Carried Unanimously.



Deputy Reeve



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COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Preugschas reported on his attendance at the ASB provincial conference, GROWTH meeting, Attraction & Retention Committee meeting, Pembina Zone 3 meeting, and a Hemp seminar.

Councillor Kleinfeldt reported on his attendance at a Public Library meeting, FCSS meeting, and the Pembina Zone 3 meeting.

Councillor Troock reported on his attendance at the Pembina Zone 3 meeting and the ICF internal committee meeting.

Deputy Reeve Schatz reported on his attendance at the ASB provincial conference, the Pembina Zone 3 meeting, and a Seed Cleaning Plant meeting.

Councillor Nanninga reported on his attendance at the ASB provincial conference, the Pembina Zone 3 meeting, Seed Cleaning Plant meeting, and the ICF internal committee meeting.

Councillor Preugschas departed the meeting at this time being 2:43 p.m.

Councillor Lane reported on his attendance at the Misty Ridge meeting, FCSS meeting, and the Pembina Zone 3 meeting.

Reeve Drozd reported on his attendance at the ICF internal committee meeting, office administrative duties, and indicated the Athabasca Watershed Council has finalized the *Mid-Pembina Watershed Riparian Area Assessment*.

Barry Kerton, Barrhead Leader, left the meeting at this time being 2:58 p.m.

IN-CAMERA

2021-048 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that the meeting move in-camera at this time being 2:58 p.m. for discussion on:

4.10.1 Update on ICF Developments – *FOIPP Sec. 24 Advice from Officials*

Carried 6-0.

Councillor Kleinfeldt departed the meeting at this time being 3:06 p.m.

2021-049 Moved by Councillor Nanninga that the meeting move out of in-camera at this time being 3:15 p.m.

Carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

2021-050 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that the meeting adjourn at this time being 3:16 p.m.

Carried 5-0.



Deputy Reeve



County Manager