

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL - HELD APRIL 16, 2024**

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Regular Meeting of the Council of the County of Barrhead No. 11 held April 16, 2024 was called to order by Reeve Drozd at 9:00 a.m.

**PRESENT**

Reeve Doug Drozd  
Deputy Reeve Marvin Schatz  
Councillor Ron Kleinfeldt  
Councillor Bill Lane  
Councillor Paul Properzi  
Councillor Walter Preugschas  
Councillor Jared Stoik

**STAFF**

Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager	Ken Hove, Director of Infrastructure
Pam Dodds, Executive Assistant	Travis Wierenga, Public Works Manager
Tamara Molzahn, Director of Corporate Services	

**ATTENDEES**

Lightning Bay Condo Association Board  
Public Attendees as attached  
Barry Kerton - Town and Country Newspaper

**RECESS**

Reeve Drozd recessed the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Reeve Drozd reconvened the meeting at 9:14 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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- 2024-106 Moved by Councillor Lane that the agenda be approved with the following addition:  
Item 4.11 - Alberta Cooperative Extension Pilot project  
Carried Unanimously.

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 2, 2024**

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- 2024-107 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held April 2, 2024, be approved as circulated.  
Carried Unanimously.

**CROSS ROADS (GARDENVIEW) COMMUNITY CENTRE - COMMUNITY GRANT REQUEST**

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- 2024-108 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council approves the application from Cross Roads Community Centre for a donation of \$2,500 under the Community Grants Policy to assist with the purchase of a main entrance gate.  
Carried Unanimously.

**MELLOWDALE COMMUNITY HALL ASSOCIATION - COMMUNITY GRANT REQUEST**

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- 2024-109 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council approves the application from Mellowdale Community Hall Association for a donation of \$2,500 under the Community Grants Policy to assist with the upgrade and repair of their community ball diamond.  
Carried Unanimously.

**COMMUNITY PUMPKIN WALK - COMMUNITY GRANT REQUEST**

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- 2024-110 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council approves the application from Barrhead Community Pumpkin Walk for a donation of \$2,000 under the Community Grants Policy to assist with the annual Community Pumpkin Walk on October 25, 2024.  
Carried Unanimously.

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Reeve

ORIGINAL SIGNED – D. OYARZUN

County Manager

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**ASB BUSINESS PLAN STATUS REPORT**

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- 2024-111 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council accepts the annual status report on the 2023 ASB Business plan for information.

Carried Unanimously.

Tamara Molzahn joined the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

**2024 OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET**

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- 2024-112 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that Council adopt the 2024 Operating Budget as presented; with 2024 operating expenditures and revenue of \$19,145,635 respectively.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-113 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council revise the 2024 Capital Budget from \$6,459,335 to \$7,600,225, as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

**BYLAW 2-2024 – 2024 PROPERTY TAX BYLAW**

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- 2024-114 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council gives 1<sup>st</sup> reading to Property Tax Bylaw 2-2024.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-115 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council gives 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 2-2024.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-116 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council goes into 3<sup>rd</sup> reading for Bylaw 2-2024

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-117 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council gives 3<sup>rd</sup> reading to Property Tax Bylaw 2-2024

Carried Unanimously.

**BYLAW 3-2024 – TAX PENALTY BYLAW**

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- 2024-118 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that Council gives 1<sup>st</sup> reading to Tax Penalty Bylaw 3-2024.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-119 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council gives 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 3-2024.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-120 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council goes into 3<sup>rd</sup> reading for Bylaw 3-2024

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-121 Moved by Councillor Stoik that Council gives 3<sup>rd</sup> reading to Tax Penalty Bylaw 3-2024

Carried Unanimously.

Councillor Stoik left the meeting at 10:28 a.m. and rejoined at 10:41 a.m.

**3 YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN AND 10 YEAR CAPITAL PLAN**

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- 2024-122 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that that Council approve the 3-Year Financial Plan for 2025 – 2027 as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-123 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council approve the 10-Year Capital Plan for the County of Barrhead as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

Tamara Molzahn departed the meeting at 10:51 a.m.

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Reeve

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County Manager

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**RECESS**

Reeve Drozd recessed the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Reeve Drozd reconvened the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Ken Hove and Travis Wierenga joined the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

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

2024-124 Moved by Councillor Lane that the report from the Director of Infrastructure & the Public Works Manager be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

**2024 ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT 24-240**

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2024-125 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council directs the Reeve and County Manager to sign the agreements for Crop Damages on Backslope Area, and Landscape Borrow Area & Crop Damage on Access Road, for the 2024 Road Reconstruction Project #24-240 – West of SW 5-58-4-W5.

Carried Unanimously.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

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2024-126 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council accepts the following items for information:

- GOA News Release Re: New Tool making investing even easier in Alberta – dated April 2, 2024
- Yellowhead Regional Library (YRL) 2023 Annual Report
- Minutes:
  - FCSS Special Meeting Minutes – December 21, 2023
  - FCSS Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2024

Carried Unanimously.

**ALBERTA COOPERATIVE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION PILOT PROJECT**

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2024-127 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council support Councillor Preugschas in continuing to serve on the Alberta Cooperative Agricultural Extension Pilot project and be allowed to claim a maximum of 18 full day per diems from May 2024 to November 2025

Carried Unanimously.

**COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

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Councillor Kleinfeldt indicated he did not have any County business to report on at this time.

Councillor Preugschas reported on his attendance at the Cooperative Extension Working Group, ASB meeting, Provincial ASB Committee meeting, Barrhead Attraction & Retention Committee Event, and Twinning meeting with billeting families.

Deputy Reeve Schatz reported on his attendance at the ASB meeting.

Councillor Properzi reported on his attendance at a FCSS meeting.

Councillor Lane reported on his attendance at a FCSS meeting and Ag Society special meeting.

Councillor Stoik reported on his attendance at the ASB meeting.

Reeve Drozd reported on his attendance at the Barrhead Attraction & Retention Committee Event, ASB meeting, and office administration duties.

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**DELEGATION – LIGHTNING BAY CONDO ASSOCIATION**

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A delegation from the Lightning Bay Condo Association met with Council at this time being 11:30 a.m. and discussed the impacts and plans related to the closure of the Thunder Lake Lagoon.

- 2024-128 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council direct Administration to bring back recommendations for the Thunder Lake Lagoon following their April 17, 2024 meeting with Alberta Environment & Protected Areas.

Carried Unanimously.

Council thanked the delegation for bringing their concerns to Council and they left the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

**GENERAL CONSENSUS TO EXTEND THE MEETING**

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At 11:52 a.m. the Reeve received general consent from Council to extend the meeting until completed.

Ken Hove and Travis Wierenga departed the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

**COUNTY MANAGER REPORT**

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Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager, reviewed the 2024 Resolution Tracking List and included updates on:

- April 23 – County Appreciation Dinner
- Discussion on Barrhead & District Historical Society (Museum)

- 2024-129 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council supports the CAO in withholding annual funding from Barrhead & District Historical Society until such time as there is evidence of appropriate governance and compliance with their current bylaw and further directed CAO to send a letter to the Town of Barrhead suggesting that they follow the same process.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2024-130 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that the County Manager's report be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

**IN-CAMERA SESSION**

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- 2024-131 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council move in-camera at 12:09 p.m. for discussion on:

- HR File – *FOIPP Sec. 27 Privileged Information*

Carried Unanimously.

Pam Dodds and Barry Kerton departed the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

- 2024-132 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council move out of in-camera at 12:43 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- 2024-133 Moved by Councillor Stoik that the meeting adjourn at 12:43 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.

ORIGINAL SIGNED – D. DROZD

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Reeve

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County Manager



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Scott Westerlund	
LINDA PRICE	
Terry Eason	
Doug Eason	
Shaun Fraser	
Gary Fraser.	
Ben Pike	
GREG LINDHOLM.	