

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL - HELD AUGUST 15, 2023

Regular Meeting of the Council of the County of Barrhead No. 11 held August 15, 2023 was called to order by Reeve Drozd at 9:01 a.m.

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Councillor Jared Stoik

STAFF

Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager	Tamara Molzahn, Director of Corporate Services
Pam Dodds, Executive Assistant	
Jenny Bruns, Development Officer	Tara Troock, Development Clerk
Ken Hove, Director of Infrastructure	

ATTENDEES

Sgt Bob Dodds – Barrhead RCMP Detachment
Barry Kerton - Town and Country Newspaper

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 2023-246 Moved by Councillor Lane that the agenda be approved as presented.
Carried Unanimously.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD JULY 18, 2023

- 2023-247 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held July 18, 2023 be approved as circulated.
Carried Unanimously.

**SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE 23-R-686
NE 28-57-2-W5 (NYGAARD)**

- 2023-248 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council approves subdivision application 23-R-686 proposing to create a 4.05 ha (10.0 acre) farmstead separation out of the south half of NE 28-57-2-5 with the conditions as presented.
Carried Unanimously.

**SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE 23-R-707
NE 7-58-2-W5 (KUPIAK/CHRISTIAN)**

- 2023-249 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council approves subdivision application 23-R-707 proposing to create a 5.32 ha (13.1 acre) farmstead separation out of Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 0925250 (NE 7-58-2-W5) with the conditions as presented.
Carried Unanimously.

**SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE 23-R-710
SE 11-59-4-W5 (PEETOOM DAIRIES LTD.)**

- 2023-250 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council approves subdivision application 23-R-710 proposing to create a 4.05 ha (10.0 acre) farmstead separation out of SE 11-59-4-W5 with the conditions as presented.
Carried Unanimously.

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**SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE 23-R-713
SW 35-60-3 W5 (818301 ALBERTA LTD / VANDEREIT)**

- 2023-251 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council approves subdivision application 23-R-713 proposing to create a 4.28 ha (10.6 acre) farmstead separation out of SW 35-60-3-W5 with the conditions as presented.

Carried 5-1.

ROLE OF THE COUNTY OF BARRHEAD IN REGIONAL TOURISM (Notice of Motion)

- 2023-252 Moved by Councillor Lane that the meeting move in-camera at this time being 9:33 a.m. under *FOIPP Sec. 24 – Advice from Officials*

Carried Unanimously.

Jenny Bruns, Tara Troock, Pam Dodds, and Barry Kerton departed the meeting at 9:33a.m.

- 2023-253 Moved by Councillor Properzi that the meeting move out of in-camera at this time being 9:44 a.m.

Carried Unanimously.

Barry Kerton rejoined the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Pam Dodds, Jenny Bruns, and Tara Troock rejoined the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

CAO reviewed RFD with Council outlining current activities of the County as approved by Council in the Economic Development Plan and County's Strategic Plan in addition to several options for consideration.

- 2023-254 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council direct Administration to continue on current path as outlined in County Strategic Plan and Economic Development Plan in addition to conducting research on other models in Alberta for the purpose of exploring options to promote Regional Tourism.

Carried Unanimously.

Jenny Bruns and Tara Troock left the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

RECESS

Reeve Drozd recessed the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

Reeve Drozd reconvened the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

Ken Hove joined the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

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

- 2023-255 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that the report from the Director of Infrastructure be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

Ken Hove departed the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Jenny Bruns rejoined the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

GRAVEL EXTRACTION / ROAD CLOSURE REQUEST- RIVER VALLEY CRUSHING

- 2023-256 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that Council directs Administration to initiate the road closure process to close an undeveloped road allowance in response to a request related to sand and gravel extraction activities.

Carried Unanimously.

Jenny Bruns departed the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

Sgt Dodds joined the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

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Councillor Lane left the meeting at 11:14 a.m. and rejoined at 11:15 a.m.

COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER (CPO) – NEW POLICIES

- 2023-257 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council approve the following policies for the CPO Program with amendments as discussed:
- PS-007 CPO Evidence Collection & Management
 - PS-008 CPO Weapons & Use of Force
 - PS-011 CPO Communications System
 - PS-012 CPO Uniform & Equipment Standards
 - PS-013 CPO Duties & Responsibilities

Carried Unanimously.

RCMP MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) – COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER PROGRAM

- 2023-258 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council authorizes the CAO to sign a 5-year CPO Program MOU with the RCMP as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

DELEGATION – BARRHEAD RCMP DETACHMENT

Sergeant Bob Dodds of the Barrhead RCMP Detachment met with Council to discuss the quarterly statistics and give an update on policing in the municipality.

- 2023-259 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council accepts the report from Sgt Dodds as information.

Carried Unanimously.

Sgt Dodds departed the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

LUNCH RECESS

Reeve Drozd recessed the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Reeve Drozd reconvened the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

MEADOWVIEW COMMUNITY CENTRE - COMMUNITY GRANT FINAL REPORT

- 2023-260 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council receive for information the final report from Meadowview Community Centre as a grant recipient of \$2,500 under the Community Grants Policy.

Carried Unanimously.

COMMUNITY GRANTS POLICY REVISION

- 2023-261 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council approve AD-002 Community Grants Policy with the changes recommended by the Policy Committee.

Carried Unanimously.

RESCIND POLICIES

- 2023-262 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council rescind:
- Policy 71.01 Recreation Policies & Guidelines
 - Policy 71.02 Community Use of Facilities
 - Policy 71.03 Master Plan for the Town and County Area
 - Policy 71.04 Establishment of a County Recreation Board
 - Policy 71.05 Town & County Joint Recreation Agreement

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Tamara Molzahn joined the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

CANCEL 50% OF 2023 TAXES – ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS & ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS

- 2023-263 Moved by Councillor Preugschas that Council cancel property taxes in the amount of \$14,579.96, owed by Government of Alberta, in the name of Alberta Municipal Affairs and Alberta Environment and Parks.

Carried Unanimously.

PROPERTY TAX PENALTY EXEMPT LIST

- 2023-264 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council approves the Property Tax Penalty Exempt List for the 363 tax rolls as identified.

Carried Unanimously.

2024 BUDGET SCHEDULE

- 2023-265 Moved by Councillor Properzi that Council approves the 2024 Budget Schedule as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

- 2023-266 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that Council accept the following Director of Corporate Services reports for information:

- Cash, Investments, & Taxes Receivable Report as of July 31, 2023
- Payments Issued for the month of July 2023
- YTD Budget Report for 7 months ending July 31, 2023
- YTD Capital Recap for the period ending July 31, 2023
- Elected Official Remuneration Report as at July 31, 2023

Carried Unanimously.

Tamara Molzahn departed the meeting at 1:52 p.m.

RCMP MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) – COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER PROGRAM

- 2023-267 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council rescind resolution 2023-258 to authorize the CAO to sign a 5-year CPO Program MOU with the RCMP as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2023-268 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council authorizes the CAO to sign a 3-year CPO Program MOU with the RCMP as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

Adam Vanderwekken joined the meeting at 2:12 p.m.

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO EMPLOYEE PEACE OFFICERS - AB SOLICITOR GENERAL

- 2023-269 Moved by Deputy Reeve Schatz that Council authorizes the CAO to submit the Application for Authorization to Employee Peace Officers – *Peace Officer Act* to the Public Security Peace Officer Program, Alberta Justice & Solicitor General.

Carried Unanimously.

Adam Vanderwekken departed the meeting at 2:16 p.m.

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REPORT – COUNTY MANAGER

Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager, reviewed the 2023 Council Resolution Tracking List and provided further updates to Council on the following:

- July AAIP Monthly Status Report
- 2023 Pond Days – Post Report
- Paddle River Dam brochure
- Development Permit for the Hutterite Colony was upheld by the Subdivision Development Appeal Board
- Progress update on Feasibility Study for Repurposing ADLC

2023-270 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council accept the County Manager report for information.
Carried Unanimously.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Lane reported on his attendance at the County Tour, FCSS meeting, and volunteering at the Blue Heron Fair.

Deputy Reeve Schatz reported on his attendance at the County Policy Committee meeting, Pembina Zone meeting, the ASB meeting, and the Demolition Derby and volunteering at the Blue Heron Fair, and participation in the Barrhead Blue Heron Parade.

Councillor Kleinfeldt reported on his attendance at the BARCC meeting, volunteering at the Ag Society cabaret, the Demolition Derby, ICF meeting with the Town of Barrhead, and the County Tour.

Councillor Preugschas reported on his attendance at a ASB provincial committee meeting, Barrhead Wellness committee meeting, and the County Tour.

Councillor Properzi reported on his attendance at the Pembina Zone meeting, the FCSS meeting, and the County Tour.

Reeve Drozd reported on his attendance at the RMA Quasi-Judicial Agency Committee meeting, ICF Meeting with the Town of Barrhead, County Tour, participation in the Barrhead Blue Heron Parade, and time spent on County office duties.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 2023-271 Moved by Councillor Lane that Council accept the following agenda items for information:
- Letter from RMA to AGLC Re: Camrose Casino Relocation Decision – dated July 24, 2023
 - Letter from RMA to Minister Horner Re: Camrose Casino Relocation Decision – dated July 24, 2023
 - Letter from Orphan Well Association Re: Status of Orphan Wells in County of Barrhead – dated July 7, 2023
 - Letter from Barrhead Victim Services Unit Re: Thank you for Donation and 2022 Annual Report – dated July 31, 2023
 - Letter from STARS Re: Thank you for Donation – dated August 3, 2023
 - Letter from Barrhead Library Re: Thank you for Grant – dated July 27, 2023
 - Letter from Special Areas Board Re: Additional Supports Required for Ag Producers - Special Area No. 2, 3, & 4 – dated July 5, 2023

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- Letter from County of Stettler Re: Letter of Support - Special Areas Board request for additional supports – dated July 20, 2023
- Letter from County of Stettler Re: Feed and Transportation Assistance Programs for Alberta Ag Disaster Areas - dated July 20, 2023
- Minister of Infrastructure Mandate Letter Re: Continue to Build Alberta – dated July 26, 2023
- Minister of Immigration and Multiculturalism Mandate Letter Re: Continue to Grow Opportunities for Newcomers – dated July 26, 2023
- Minister of Indigenous Relations Mandate Letter Re: Continue Building Meaningful Partnerships – dated July 27, 2023
- Minister of Children and Family Services Mandate Letter Re: Support Families and Children – dated July 28, 2023
- Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services Mandate Letter Re: Keep Alberta Families and Communities Safe – dated July 31, 2023
- Minister of Justice Mandate Letter Re: Continue to Support a Strong Justice System - dated August 1, 2023
- Minister of Mental Health and Addiction Mandate Letter Re: Address the Mental Health and Addiction Crisis – dated August 2, 2023
- Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services Mandate Letter Re: Strengthen Alberta's Systems to Support the Most Vulnerable in our Province – dated August 2, 2023
- Minister of Municipal Affairs Mandate Letter Re: Maintain and Build Relationships and Partnerships with Municipal Leaders – dated August 4, 2023
- Certificate of Appreciation – Royal Canadian Legion Re: Recognition Book

Carried Unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

2023-272 Moved by Councillor Kleinfeldt that the meeting adjourn at 3:16 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.

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