



Meeting Minutes

THOSE PRESENT:

Mayor Doerksen
Councillor Ballas
Councillor Dodds
Deputy Mayor Gammana
Councillor McGee
Councillor Peebles
Councillor Wheeler
Winston Rossouw, CAO
Manny Deol, Assistant CAO
Elvera Thomson, General Manager of Finance
Annette Driessen, General Manager of Community Services
Aishah Mohd Isa, Energy Program Coordinator
Jennifer Fancey, Finance Manager

Bree Motkoski, Executive Assistant
Sabine Landmark, Administrative Assistant
Abdulrahman Mogbonjubola, Intermediate Systems & Network Analyst
Matt Ellis, Senior Planner (Call-In)
Tom Thomson, Fire Chief
Merlin Klassen, Manager of Safety
Acting S/Sgt. Erin Matthews, RCMP
Graham Long, Drayton Valley and District Free Press (Call-In)
Cathy Weetman, Drayton Valley Western Review
Members of the Public (Call-In)

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Doerksen called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

1.0 Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions or deletions to the Agenda.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

RESOLUTION #190/20

Deputy Mayor Gammana moved to adopt the Agenda for the December 16, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council, as presented.

CARRIED

3.0 Corrections or Amendments:

3.1. November 25, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council Minutes

There were no corrections or amendments to the November 25, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council Minutes.

3.2. December 9, 2020, Special Meeting of Council Minutes

There were no corrections or amendments to the December 9, 2020, Special Meeting of Council Minutes.

4.0 Adoption of:

4.1. November 25, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council Minutes

RESOLUTION #191/20

Councillor McGee moved to adopt the Minutes of the November 25, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council, as presented.

CARRIED

4.2. December 9, 2020, Special Meeting of Council Minutes

RESOLUTION #192/20

Councillor McGee moved to adopt the Minutes of the December 9, 2020, Special Meeting of Council, as presented.

CARRIED

5.0 Delegations

5.1. Elevated Experience Camping – Carmen and Jason Roberts-Kowalchuk (Call-In)

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts-Kowalchuk advised of the society status of Elevated Experience Camping Society (EECS) that was received in July 2020. They presented Council with information on the Operation Sasquatch program, a program for youth that teaches culinary skills, team building, sustainability, budgeting, etc. EECS has partnered with local organizations for this program and is currently accepting applications with the intention to start in March 2021.

5.2. Drayton Valley RCMP Stats – November 2020 – Acting S/Sgt. Erin Matthews

Acting S/Sgt. Matthews presented Council with the stats for the month of November 2020. She further provided an update on the pilot project that she is working on with Alberta Health Services to have mental health support workers on calls or to have a Drayton Valley designated as secure location with mental health assessments available.

6.0 Decision Items

6.1. Internal Drayton Valley Recreation Committee – Terms of Reference

RESOLUTION #193/20

Councillor Peebles moved that Town Council adopt the Drayton Valley Recreation Committee Terms of Reference as presented.

CARRIED

Ms. Fancey entered the meeting at 9:36 a.m.

6.2. Local Energy Stewardship Plan for Partners for Climate Protection Program (PCP) Milestone Framework

Councillor Wheeler exited at 9:37 a.m.

Councillor Wheeler returned to the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

RESOLUTION #194/20

Councillor Wheeler moved that Council adopt the Local Energy Stewardship Plan as presented.

CARRIED

Mr. Klassen entered the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

6.3. 2021 Property Tax Forgiveness Request

RESOLUTION #195/20

Councillor Wheeler moved that Council decline the request from Alloy Energy Services Inc. for the forgiveness of municipal taxes for tax roll no. 70306900 for the 2021 year.

CARRIED

Mayor Doerksen called a break at 10:05 a.m.

Mayor Doerksen reconvened the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

7.0 Department Reports

7.1. Planning and Development

Mr. Ellis provided an update of the activities in the Planning and Development department, including Land Use Bylaw, Town Marketing Strategy for Economic Development, and business licenses.

Councillor Wheeler entered the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

7.2. Community Services and FCSS

Ms. Driessen provided an update from the Community Services department, Early Childhood Development Centre, Park Valley Pool, and FCSS. She noted that the preparations for the outdoor rinks have to be restarted and that the signage for citizens to stay off the ice until it is ready will be improved.

Council asked about the possibility of skating trails. Ms. Driessen will look into this matter.

Mr. Deol entered the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

7.3. Emergency Services

Fire Chief Thomson informed Council on the activities of the Animal Control Officer and Community Peace Officer.

7.4. Safety and Protective Services

Mr. Klassen advised that the review by the Emergency Management Agency has been completed. He further noted that Safety has been busy to train safe work procedures at the MAT program and the snow angel program. Finally, he provided an update on the COVID-19 situation.

7.5. CAO/Administration/Capital Project Update

Mr. Rossouw shared comments on the COVID-19 situation and impacts on Town staff. He provided an update on capital projects.

Councillor McGee exited the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Councillor McGee returned to the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

8.0 Council Reports

8.1. Councillor McGee

- RYSE Project meeting

8.2. Councillor Wheeler

- wished a Merry Christmas

8.3. Councillor Ballas

- read a poem

8.4. Councillor Peebles

- wished a Merry Christmas

8.5. Councillor Dodds

- Education meetings
- Chamber of Commerce meeting
- wished a Merry Christmas

8.6. Deputy Mayor Gammana

- Education meetings
- November 26 – Municipal Affairs discussion
- November 27 – Light up Drive Thru
- December 9 – Special Meeting
- wished a Merry Christmas

8.7. Mayor Doerksen

- December 8 – Zoom Call with the Mayors of Edson, Rocky Mountain House, and Hinton
- recognized Winston Rossouw’s contribution as the CAO to the Town
- wished a Merry Christmas

9.0 Information Items

9.1. Drayton Valley Municipal Library Minutes – October 15, 2020 and October Stats

9.2. Brazeau Foundation Meeting Minutes – October 19, 2020

9.3. STAR Catholic Schools Board Meeting Highlights – November 2020

9.4. Sustainability Committee Meeting Notes – November 4, 2020

9.5. Yellowhead Regional Library Board Meeting Minutes – October 5, 2020

9.6. Drayton Valley RCMP Stats – November 2020

RESOLUTION #196/20

Deputy Mayor Gammana moved that Council accept the above items as information, as presented.

CARRIED

10.0 Adjournment

Mayor Doerksen adjourned the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER