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Meeting Minutes

Council

Mayor Allan Gamble
Deputy Mayor Natalie Birnie
Council Member Kristina Kowalski
Council Member Sally Kucher-Johnson
Council Member Allan Hoefsloot
Council Member Phyllis Kobasiuk
Council Member Rob Wiedeman

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER/TERRITORIAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Gamble called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. On behalf of Council, Mayor Gamble offered the following Treaty 6 lands acknowledgement:

We acknowledge the homeland of the many diverse First Nations and Metis people whose ancestors have walked this land since time immemorial. We are grateful to work, live, and learn on the traditional territory of Treaty 6.

Present: 6 - Mayor Allan Gamble, Council Member Kristina Kowalski, Council Member Sally Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Phyllis Kobasiuk, Council Member Natalie Birnie and Council Member Rob Wiedeman

Absent: 1 - Council Member Allan Hoefsloot

Administration:

Rob McGowan, Acting Interim Chief Administrative Officer, General Manager, Operations Services

Dave Cross, General Manager, Agriculture, Community & Protective Services

Nancy Domijan, Interim General Manager, Development Services

Craig Froehlich, Interim General Manager Corporate and Shared Services

Neil Jamieson, Director, Public Works (In-part)

Jaitik Berawala, Manager, Water, Wastewater & Solid Waste Services (In-part)

April Gallays, Manager, Current & Long Range Planning (In-part)

Natasha De Sandi, Senior Planner, Long Range Planning (In-part)

Derek Macdonald, Long Range Planner (In-part)

Rachelle Trovato, Long Range Planner (In-part)

Odessa Bartel, Acting Manager, Legislative and Legal Services (Recording Secretary)

Rachel Coupal, Legislative Officer, Legislative and Legal Services (Recording Secretary)

INSPIRATIONAL REFLECTION

Council Member Kowalski offered a short inspirational reflection.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that the May 28, 2024 Council meeting agenda be adopted, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

[MIN 24-018](#)

Adoption of the May 14, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes

Proposed Motion

That the May 14, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes be adopted, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that the May 14, 2024 Council meeting minutes be adopted, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

DELEGATIONS

[App 24-027](#)

9:05 a.m. - Public Input (15 minutes)

Mayor Gamble asked the gallery if there were any matters that the public wishes to bring to the attention of Parkland County.

Darrel Evjen, a Parkland County resident, came forward to provide comments related to wastewater transfer stations and wastewater overstrength charges in Parkland County.

Chase Henituik, operating a Parkland County business, Handi Can Toilets and Septic, came forward to provide comments related to wastewater transfer stations and wastewater overstrength charges in Parkland County.

Carmen Ramstead, a Parkland County resident, came forward to provide comments on the Property Tax Assessment, an improvement to Parkland County's website and spoke in support of businesses that may be affected by overstrength charges.

Glen Barrett, a Parkland County resident, came forward to provide comments in regards to Council Meeting videos and Council Code of Conduct matters.

RECESS

Mayor Gamble recessed the meeting at 9:46 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Operations Services Matters

[RFD 24-119](#)

Wastewater Transfer Stations and Wastewater Overstrength Charges from ARROW Utilities

Proposed Motions

1. That Council approve the implementation of a mandatory requirement for GPS on all private users of the County's wastewater transfer stations as presented.
2. That Council approve restricting all non-residential wastewater from disposal at the Stony Plain and Villeneuve Wastewater Transfer Stations.
3. That Administration be directed to present a summary report to Council with the data collected using the GPS system and recommended user fees to recover all overstrength charges from ARROW Utilities in Q4 of 2024.

Administration presented Wastewater Transfer Stations and Wastewater Overstrength Charges from ARROW Utilities presentation.

RECESS

Mayor Gamble recessed the meeting at 10:59 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

[RFD 24-119](#)

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2. That Council approve restricting all non-residential wastewater from disposal at the Stony Plain and Villeneuve Wastewater Transfer Stations.
3. That Administration be directed to present a summary report to Council with the data collected using the GPS system and recommended user fees to recover all overstrength charges from ARROW Utilities in Q4 of 2024.

Administration concluded presentation and answered questions from Council.

RECESS

Mayor Gamble recessed the meeting at 11:52 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

[RFD 24-119](#)

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GPS on all private users of the County's wastewater transfer stations as presented.

2. That Council approve restricting all non-residential wastewater from disposal at the Stony Plain and Villeneuve Wastewater Transfer Stations.

3. That Administration be directed to present a summary report to Council with the data collected using the GPS system and recommended user fees to recover all overstrength charges from ARROW Utilities in Q4 of 2024.

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that Council approve the implementation of a mandatory requirement for GPS on all private users of the County's wastewater transfer stations as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that the item be tabled until the next Council Meeting.

The motion was carried, by the following vote:

For: 4 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Kobasiuk and Council Member Wiedeman

Against: 2 - Council Member Kowalski and Council Member Birnie

Mayor and Council Member Matters

[RFD 24-127](#)

Range Road 35 - Road Condition

Proposed Motion

That Administration be directed to research the conditions of Range Road 35 and determine what we can do to fix that road and reduce the amount of complaints.

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that administration be directed to research the conditions of Range Road 35 and determine what we can do to fix that road and reduce the amount of complaints.

The motion carried unanimously.

Legislative Matters

[RFD 24-128](#)

Council Member Appointments to Boards and Committees

Proposed Motion

That Council appoint members of Council to the following boards and committees for the term June 1, 2024 to October 22, 2024:

- Council Member Kowalski - Agricultural Service Board
- Council Member Kowalski - Community Sustainability Committee
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Alternate Land Use Services (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC)
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Heritage Agricultural Society Board of Directors, as alternate member
- Council Member Kobasiuk - Pembina Agricultural and Recreational Society
- Council Member Birnie - Stony Plain Seed Cleaning Association

- Council Member Wiedeman - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission
- Council Member Birnie - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission, as alternate member

A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Council appoint members of Council to the following boards and committees for the term June 1, 2024 to October 22, 2024:

- Council Member Kowalski - Agricultural Service Board
- Council Member Kowalski - Community Sustainability Committee
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Alternate Land Use Services (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC)
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Heritage Agricultural Society Board of Directors, as alternate member
- Council Member Kobasiuk - Pembina Agricultural and Recreational Society
- Council Member Birnie - Stony Plain Seed Cleaning Association
- Council Member Wiedeman - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission
- Council Member Birnie - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission, as alternate member

RECESS

Mayor Gamble recessed the meeting at 12:26 p.m., and reconvened the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

[RFD 24-128](#)

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- Council Member Kowalski - Agricultural Service Board
- Council Member Kowalski - Community Sustainability Committee
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Alternate Land Use Services (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC)
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Heritage Agricultural Society Board of Directors, as alternate member
- Council Member Kobasiuk - Pembina Agricultural and Recreational Society
- Council Member Birnie - Stony Plain Seed Cleaning Association
- Council Member Wiedeman - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission
- Council Member Birnie - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission, as alternate member

An amending motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Council appoint members of Council to the following boards and committees for the term June 1, 2024 to October 22, 2024:

- Council Member Kowalski - Agricultural Service Board
- Council Member Birnie - Community Sustainability Committee
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Alternate Land Use Services (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC)

- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Heritage Agricultural Society Board of Directors, as alternate member
- Council Member Kobasiuk - Pembina Agricultural and Recreational Society
- Council Member Birnie - Stony Plain Seed Cleaning Association
- Council Member Wiedeman - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission
- Council Member Birnie - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission, as alternate member

Mayor Gamble called on the original motion as amended.

That Council appoint members of Council to the following boards and committees for the term June 1, 2024 to October 22, 2024:

- Council Member Kowalski - Agricultural Service Board
- Council Member Birnie - Community Sustainability Committee
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Alternate Land Use Services (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC)
- Council Member Kucher-Johnson - Heritage Agricultural Society Board of Directors, as alternate member
- Council Member Kobasiuk - Pembina Agricultural and Recreational Society
- Council Member Birnie - Stony Plain Seed Cleaning Association
- Council Member Wiedeman - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission
- Council Member Birnie - West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission, as alternate member

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

[RFD 24-130](#)

Closed Session

Proposed Motion

That Council convene in Closed Session pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 17, 23 and 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that Council convene in closed session at 1:05 p.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 17, 23 and 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

[RFD 24-131](#)

1:00 p.m. Appointment - MDP Project
FOIP Section 23 - Local public body confidences
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials

[RFD 24-132](#)

Regular Session

Proposed Motion

That Council revert to regular meeting session.

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that Council revert to regular meeting session at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chief Financial Officer[RFD 24-116](#)

2024 Tax Recovery Public Auction Terms and Conditions of Sale

Proposed Motion

That Council approve the Terms and Conditions of Sale for the 2024 Public Auction, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that Council approve the Terms and Conditions of Sale for the 2024 Public Auction, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Corporate & Shared Services Matters[RFD 24-126](#)

Appointment of Returning Officer and Substitute Returning Officer - Municipal Election 2025

Proposed Motion

1. That Eva Beyer be appointed as Parkland County's Returning Officer for the 2025 Municipal Election in accordance with the Local Authorities Election Act.
2. That Barb Williams, Manager, Legislative and Legal Services be appointed as Parkland County's Substitute Returning Officer for the 2025 Municipal Election in accordance with the Local Authorities Election Act.

A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that Eva Beyer be appointed as Parkland County's Returning Officer for the 2025 Municipal Election in accordance with the Local Authorities Election Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Barb Williams, Manager, Legislative and Legal Services be appointed as Parkland County's Substitute Returning Officer for the 2025 Municipal Election in accordance with the Local Authorities Election Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

Development Services Matters

RFD 24-115

Request for Dissolution of the Truth and Reconciliation Committee

Proposed Motion

That Council discontinue appointed Council member and public member appointments to the Truth and Reconciliation Committee and that the Truth and Reconciliation Committee be dissolved effective May 28, 2024, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that Council discontinue appointed Council member and public member appointments to the Truth and Reconciliation Committee and that the Truth and Reconciliation Committee be dissolved effective May 28, 2024, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

COM 24-048

Proclamations - June 2024

Proposed Motion

That the following proclamations for June 2024 be received for information:

National Indigenous History Month
National Health and Fitness Day
Seniors Week
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
National Indigenous Peoples Day

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that the following proclamations for June 2024 be received for information:

- National Indigenous History Month
- National Health and Fitness Day
- Seniors Week
- World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
- National Indigenous Peoples Day

The motion carried unanimously.

COM 24-049

Mayor's Report

Proposed Motion

That the Mayor's Report be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that the Mayor's Report be received for information, as follows:

- EMRB Committee of the Whole – The Quarry
- Firesmart – Carvel Hall
- Alternate Land Use Services (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC) –

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- Annual Builders Luncheon – Spruce Grove
- Kiwi 45th Anniversary Event – Kiwi Nurseries
- Holborn Hall 100TH Anniversary Event – Holburn

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 24-050](#)

Committee Reports

Proposed Motion

That the Committee Reports be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that the Committee Reports be received for information, as follows:

1. Council Member Kowalski

- Arrow Utilities Board Workshop
- North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance Meeting
- Attended the Stony Plain & Parkland Pioneer Museum Society Meeting for Council Member Kucher-Johnson
- Attended Kiwi Nurseries 45th Anniversary Event
- Resident and Developer Meetings

2. Council Member Birnie

- Attended the Holborn Anniversary Event
- Attended Drayton Valley 4H Achievement Event

3. Council Member Kobasiuk

- Attended the Pembina Agricultural and Recreational Society Strategic Planning Session
- Attended Spruce Grove's Developer lunch, featured economic update/corporate video by Mayor Acker and guest speaker/former Oiler Strudwick.
- Kiwi Nursery (Parkland County) 45th anniversary plaque presented by Spruce Grove Mayor Acker/GPRCC.
- Holborn Hall 100th anniversary dinner featured historical video, plaque from MP Dane Lloyd and congratulations from Mayor Gamble who invited area Councillor Birnie to present the County plaque.
- Attended the Alternate Land Use Services (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting
- Attended the Stony Plain 4H Event held at Heritage Park.

4. Council Member Kucher-Johnson

- Attended the River Valley Alliance Meeting
- Attended the Tri Leisure Centre Meeting
- Attended Holborn Hall for the 100th Anniversary Event

5. Council Member Wiedeman

- Attended the TransAlta WhiteWood Mine
- Attended Fort Edmonton 50th Anniversary Event
- Attended the Developer Lunch
- Block Party at Weekend Estates
- Met with the Developer in Wabamun

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 24-051](#)

Rural Municipalities of Alberta Newsletter Update

Proposed Motion

That the Rural Municipalities of Alberta newsletter be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that the Rural Municipalities of Alberta newsletter be received for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 24-052](#)

Federation of Canadian Municipalities Update

Proposed Motion

That the Federation of Canadian Municipalities update be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities update be received for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSE OF MEETING

Mayor Gamble closed the meeting at 3:28 p.m.

Mayor

Manager, Legislative Services