



# Parkland County

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## Meeting Minutes

### Council

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

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Tuesday, April 11, 2023

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER AND TERRITORIAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Gamble called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., and offered a Territorial Land Acknowledgement.

Council acknowledged the passing of RCMP Constable Harvinder Singh Dhani on April 10, 2023, and offered their condolences.

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Allan Gamble, Council Member Sally Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Phyllis Kobasiuk, Council Member Natalie Birnie and Council Member Allan Hoefsloot

**Virtual:** 2 - Council Member Kristina Kowalski and Council Member Rob Wiedeman

#### Administration:

Laura Swain, Chief Administrative Officer

Dave Cross, General Manager, Agriculture, Community & Protective Services - in-part

Rob McGowan, General Manager, Operations Services

Jeff Dyck, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Corporate & Shared Services

Ebenezer Adjei, Manager, Financial Planning & Analysis - in-part

Brian Cornforth, Fire Chief - in-part

Sean Cunningham, Deputy Fire Chief - in-part

Chad Moore, Deputy Fire Chief - in-part

Marc Ficht, Director, Strategic Initiatives - in-part

Jody Hancock, Director, Engineering Services - in-part

Krista Quesnel, Manager, Community Sustainability - in-part

Chad Ritter, ALUS Coordinator - in-part

Barb Williams, Manager, Legislative Services

Lois Tyerman, Legislative Officer

### INSPIRATIONAL REFLECTION

Council Member Hoefsloot offered a short inspirational reflection.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that the April 11, 2023 Council meeting agenda be adopted, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### [MIN 23-016](#)

Adoption of the March 28, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

#### **Proposed Motion**

That the March 28, 2023 Council meeting minutes be adopted, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that the March 28, 2023 Council meeting minutes be adopted, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Agriculture, Community and Protective Services Matters**

### [RFD 23-118](#)

Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta FireSmart Grant

#### **Proposed Motion**

That Administration be directed to submit to the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA) an application for grant funding in the amount of \$200,000 for the FireSmart program for Parkland County.

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that Administration be directed to submit to the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA) an application for grant funding in the amount of \$200,000 for the FireSmart program for Parkland County. The motion carried unanimously.

### [RFD 23-109](#)

Wabamun Lake Watershed Management Plan

#### **Proposed Motions**

1. That Council accept the Wabamun Lake Watershed Management Plan for information, as presented.
2. That Council resolves to continue to work collaboratively with other municipalities and the Wabamun Lake Watershed Implementation Steering Committee to implement the plan.
3. That Council resolves to consider the Wabamun Lake Watershed Management Plan in the decision-making of the municipality including development of new or updated statutory plans and other documents.

A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that Council accept the Wabamun Lake Watershed Management Plan for information, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Hoefsloot that Council resolves to continue to work collaboratively with other municipalities and the Wabamun Lake Watershed Implementation Steering Committee to implement the plan. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Council resolves to consider the Wabamun Lake Watershed Management Plan in the decision-making of the municipality including development of new or updated statutory plans and other documents. The motion carried unanimously.

## DELEGATIONS

### [App 23-034](#)

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

Mayor Gamble asked the gallery if there were any issues that the public wishes to bring to the attention of Parkland County. No one came forward.

## RECESS

Mayor Gamble recessed the meeting at 9:21 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

## DELEGATIONS

### [BL 23-010](#)

9:30 a.m. Public Hearing - Bylaw 2023-03  
Road Closure for the Purpose of Sale and Consolidation - Portion of  
Beachway Road within SE 15-53-5-W5

#### Proposed Motion

That Bylaw 2023-03 receive first reading.

Mayor Gamble called the public hearing to order at 9:30 a.m., in accordance with the provisions of Section 692 of the Municipal Government Act, as amended, to provide an opportunity for public input and comment on proposed Bylaw 2023-03 and explained the process of the public hearing.

Administration presented Bylaw 2023-03 Road Closure for the Purpose of Sale and Consolidation - Portion of Beachway Road within SE 15-53-5-W5.

#### Verbal Submissions

1. Mark Gunderson - Applicant, in support of Bylaw 2023-03.
2. Manny Leightoff - Fallis resident, in opposition of Bylaw 2023-03.

#### Written Submissions

1. Brent Fullerton - Fallis resident, in opposition of Bylaw 2023-03.
2. Cal Nowicki - Fallis resident, in opposition of Bylaw 2023-03.
3. Russell & Tabitha Stefanick - Fallis residents, submitted on behalf of Fallis area residents opposed to Bylaw 2023-03, as follows:
  - Curtis & Shannon Mellott
  - John Schmidt
  - Candy Stefanick
  - Darcy & Vivian Weber
  - Manny Leightoff

- Dana Lane
- Steve Bahme
- Ken & Tracey Manning
- Gail & Gary Packer

**RECESS**

**Mayor Gamble recessed the public hearing at 10:40 a.m., and reconvened the public hearing at 10:56 a.m.**

[BL 23-010](#)

9:30 a.m. Public Hearing - Bylaw 2023-03  
Road Closure for the Purpose of Sale and Consolidation - Portion of  
Beachway Road within SE 15-53-5-W5

**Proposed Motion**

That Bylaw 2023-03 receive first reading.

**Mayor Gamble closed the Public Hearing at 11:00 a.m.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Hoefsloot that Bylaw 2023-03 receive first reading. The motion carried unanimously.**

[BL 23-011](#)

10:00 a.m. Public Hearing - Bylaw 2023-04  
Road Closure for the Purpose of Sale and Consolidation - All of Road Plan  
3972ET Within SE 7-53-3-W5

**Proposed Motion**

That Bylaw 2023-04 receive first reading.

**Mayor Gamble called the public hearing to order at 11:02 a.m., in accordance with the provisions of Section 692 of the Municipal Government Act, as amended, to provide an opportunity for public input and comment on proposed Bylaw 2023-04 and explained the process of the public hearing.**

**Administration presented Bylaw 2023-04 Road Closure for the Purpose of Sale and Consolidation - All of Road Plan 3972ET within SE 7-53-3-W5.**

**Verbal Submissions**

- None received.

**Written Submissions**

- None received.

**Mayor Gamble closed the public hearing at 11:09 a.m.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that Bylaw 2023-04 receive first reading. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor and Council Member Matters**

[RFD 23-122](#)

Parkland Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC)

**Proposed Motion**

That the Parkland Community Policing Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be tabled to the May 9, 2023 Council meeting.

**A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that the Parkland Community Policing Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be tabled to the May 9, 2023 Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Chief Financial Officer****[RFD 23-114](#)**

Final Parkland County 2023 Budget

**Proposed Motions**

1. That Council approve the 2023 Final Operating Program Budget which has no additional impact on the municipal tax levy as compared to the budget approved at the November 22, 2022 Council meeting.
2. That Council approve the 2023 Final Operating Project Budget which has no additional impact on the municipal tax levy as compared to the budget approved at the November 22, 2022 Council meeting.
3. That Council approve the 2023 Final Capital Budget which has no additional impact on the municipal tax levy as compared to the budget approved at the November 22, 2022 Council meeting.
4. That Council approve the projects spanning more than one year in duration as presented in the 2023 Multi-Year Project Summary.

**A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that Council approve the 2023 Final Operating Program Budget which has no additional impact on the municipal tax levy as compared to the budget approved at the November 22, 2022 Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that Council approve the 2023 Final Operating Project Budget which has no additional impact on the municipal tax levy as compared to the budget approved at the November 22, 2022 Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Hoefsloot that Council approve the 2023 Final Capital Budget which has no additional impact on the municipal tax levy as compared to the budget approved at the November 22, 2022 Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Council approve the projects spanning more than one year in duration as presented in the 2023 Multi-Year Project Summary. The motion carried unanimously.**

**COMMUNICATIONS****[COM 23-040](#)**

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 Kowalski that the Rural Municipalities of Alberta newsletter be received for information, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

[COM 23-041](#)

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 Wiedeman that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities update be received for information, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

[COM 23-042](#)

Mayor's Report

**Proposed Motion**

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

**Mayor Gamble reported on the following items:**

- Council Committees public member interviews
- Land Use Bylaw Public Engagement Sessions
- Tri-Region Council Dinner Social
- Province of Alberta announcement regarding English Bay Chocolates development in Stony Plain
- Skydancer Indigenous Cultural Centre
- Edmonton Metropolitan Regional Board (EMRB)

**A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that the Mayor's Report be received for information, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

[COM 23-043](#)

Committee Reports

**Proposed Motion**

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

**Council Member Kucher-Johnson reported on the Pioneer Museum Annual General Meeting, President's Summit on the Future of Municipal Government, Tri-Region Council Dinner Social, Municipal Library Board, Skydancers Indigenous Cultural Centre, and River Valley Alliance Community Engagement Committee interviews.**

**Council Member Kowalski reported on the Northwest Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance, President's Summit on the Future of Municipal Government, Economic Diversification Committee interviews, and the Tri-Region Council Dinner Social.**

Council Member Kobasiuk reported on the President's Summit on the Future of Municipal Government, matters related to Alberta Seniors Housing, Elected Officials education sessions, Public Committee Member interviews, Province of Alberta announcement regarding English Bay Chocolates development in Stony Plain, and the Gossamer Gallery Revealing Art exhibition in Wabamun.

Council Member Birnie reported on the Truth and Reconciliation Committee, Skydancers Indigenous Cultural Centre, Agricultural Services Board interviews, Land Use and Development approvals course, Land Use Bylaw public engagement sessions, and the Province of Alberta announcement regarding English Bay Chocolates development in Stony Plain.

Council Member Wiedeman reported on the President's Summit on the Future of Municipal Government, Economic Diversification Committee interviews, policing and housing issues in the area.

Council Member Hoefsloot reported on the Agricultural Service Board and ALUS interviews, and Land Use Bylaw public engagement sessions.

A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that the Committee Reports be received for information, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## CLOSED SESSION

### [RFD 23-119](#)

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 16, 21 and 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

**A motion was made by Council Member Hoefsloot that Council convene in closed session at 11:51 a.m., pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 16, 21 and 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The motion carried unanimously.**

### [PRE 23-024](#)

Fire Services Agreement  
FOIP Section 21 - Harmful to intergovernmental relations  
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials

### [PRE 23-030](#)

Broadband Update  
FOIP Section 16 - Harmful to interests of a third party  
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials

### [RFD 23-120](#)

Regular Session

#### **Proposed Motion**

That Council revert to regular meeting session.

**A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Council revert to regular meeting session at 12:11 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

[PRE 23-024](#)

Fire Services Agreement  
FOIP Section 21 - Harmful to intergovernmental relations  
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials

**A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that additional funding in the amount of up to \$105,000 for Yellowhead Fire Services agreement be approved from Future Operating Restricted Surplus for annual fire agreement increases for 2021, 2022, and 2023. The motion carried unanimously.**

**CLOSE OF MEETING**

Mayor Gamble closed the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

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Mayor

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Manager, Legislative Services