



# Parkland County

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## Meeting Minutes

### Council

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

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Tuesday, January 10, 2023

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER/TERRITORIAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Council Member Kowalski attended the meeting virtually.

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 that our meeting today convenes on the lands of Treaty 6, which is the traditional home of Cree, Dene Saulsteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux Nations and members of the Metis Nation of Alberta, Inuit and all First Nations sharing this land for generations.

We recognize the long history and contributions of Indigenous peoples who have cared for this land from time immemorial to the present. We acknowledge that we are all Treaty people, bound to one another by the spirit and intent of Treaty as long as the sun shines, the grass grows and the river flows.

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Allan Gamble, Council Member Kristina Kowalski, Council Member Sally Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Phyllis Kobasiuk, Council Member Natalie Birnie, Council Member Rob Wiedeman and Council Member Allan Hoefsloot

#### Administration:

Laura Swain, Chief Administrative Officer  
Dave Cross, General Manager, Agriculture, Community & Protective Services  
Rob McGowan, General Manager, Operations Services  
Jeff Dyck, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Corporate & Shared Services  
Brian Cornforth, Fire Chief - in-part  
Trent Tompkins, Director, Road Maintenance & Drainage - in-part  
Tyler Tymchyshyn, Manager, Road Maintenance - in-part  
Barb Williams, Manager, Legislative Services  
Lois Tyerman, Legislative Officer

## CELEBRATING SUCCESSES

### [PRE 23-004](#)

Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal  
Employee Recipient: Brian Cornforth, Fire Chief

**Brian Cornforth, Fire Chief for Parkland County was presented with the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal.**

Council congratulated Fire Chief Cornforth and thanked him for his service.

## INSPIRATIONAL REFLECTION

Council Member Hoefsloot offered a short inspirational reflection.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Hoefsloot that the January 10, 2023 Council meeting agenda be adopted, as presented.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

An amending motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that the following item be removed from the January 10, 2023 Council meeting agenda:

**Item 6.B.1 - Council Member Appointments to the Acheson Business Association**

The motion failed by the following vote:

**For:** 2 - Council Member Kucher-Johnson and Council Member Wiedeman

**Against:** 5 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kobasiuk, Council Member Birnie and Council Member Hoefsloot

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor Gamble called on the original motion made by Council Member Hoefsloot that the January 10, 2023 Council meeting agenda be adopted, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### [MIN 23-001](#)

Adoption of the December 13, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

#### **Proposed Motion**

That the December 13, 2022 Council meeting minutes be adopted, as presented.

**A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that the December 13, 2022 Council meeting minutes be adopted, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

**DELEGATIONS**

[App 23-002](#) 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.

**BUSINESS ARISING**

**Mayor and Council Member Matters**

[RFD 22-326](#) Proposed Wabamun Business Incubator

**Proposed Motion**

That administration be directed to research and provide a plan to use the Hamlet of Wabamun's administration building as a business incubator, with the intention of drawing new business into the Hamlet of Wabamun and Parkland County.

**A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that administration be directed to research and provide a plan to use the Hamlet of Wabamun's administration building as a business incubator, with the intention of drawing new business into the Hamlet of Wabamun and Parkland County.**

**Council Member Birnie moved that the motion be amended as follows:**

**Replace:**

**"...and provide a plan..."**

**with**

**"...and provide information..."**

**Add:**

**"...or other use..."**

**And that the motion now read:**

**That administration be directed to research and provide information related to the use of the Hamlet of Wabamun's administration building as a business incubator, or other use, with the intention of drawing new business into the Hamlet of Wabamun and Parkland County.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**For:** 6 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Birnie, Council Member Wiedeman and Council Member Hoefsloot

**Against:** 1 - Council Member Kobasiuk

**Mayor Gamble called on the original motion made by Council member Wiedeman, as amended:**

**That administration be directed to research and provide information related to**

the use of the Hamlet of Wabamun's administration building as a business incubator, or other use, with the intention of drawing new business into the Hamlet of Wabamun and Parkland County.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**For:** 6 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Birnie, Council Member Wiedeman and Council Member Hoefsloot

**Against:** 1 - Council Member Kobasiuk

[RFD 22-327](#)

Motorized and Unmotorized Recreation Park

**Proposed Motion**

That administration be directed to explore the feasibility of starting a motorized and unmotorized recreation park on TransAlta lands.

**A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that administration be directed to explore the feasibility of starting a motorized and unmotorized recreation park on TransAlta lands.**

The motion failed by the following vote:

**For:** 1 - Council Member Wiedeman

**Against:** 6 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Kobasiuk, Council Member Birnie and Council Member Hoefsloot

## DELEGATIONS

[App 23-003](#)

9:30 a.m. Appointment - Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce Sarah Perry, Chief Executive Officer

**Proposed Motion**

That the Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce presentation be received for information, as presented.

**Representatives Sarah Perry, Chief Executive Officer and Miriam Gordon, Director of Visitor Services & Office Manager presented the Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce presentation.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that the Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce presentation be received for information, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

## RECESS

Mayor Gamble recessed the meeting at 10:09 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Legislative Matters

#### [POL 23-001](#)

Policy C-PW18 - Revised Snow and Ice Control

#### **Proposed Motion**

That revised Snow and Ice Control Policy C-PW18 be approved, as presented.

**A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that revised Snow and Ice Control Policy C-PW18 be approved, as presented.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Item 6.C.1 - Policy C-PW18 - Revised Snow and Ice Control be tabled to the January 24, 2023 Council meeting.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**For:** 6 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Kobasiuk, Council Member Birnie, Council Member Wiedeman and Council Member Hoefsloot

**Against:** 1 - Council Member Kowalski

### Chief Administrative Officer

#### [RFD 23-001](#)

Council Member Appointment to the Acheson Business Association

#### **Proposed Motion**

1. That Councillor Kowalski be appointed to attend the Acheson Business Association quarterly meetings as a guest, effective January 10, 2023 to the Council Organizational meeting on October 2023.
2. That Councillor Kucher-Johnson be appointed as an Alternate to attend the Acheson Business Association quarterly meetings as a guest, effective January 10, 2023 to the Council Organizational meeting on October 2023.

**A motion was made by Council Member Hoefsloot that Councillor Kowalski be appointed to attend the Acheson Business Association quarterly meetings as a guest, effective January 10, 2023 to the Council Organizational meeting on October 2023.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that Item 6.B.1 - Council Member Appointment to the Acheson Business Association be tabled.**

**The motion failed by the following vote:**

**For:** 2 - Council Member Kucher-Johnson and Council Member Wiedeman

**Against:** 5 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kobasiuk, Council Member Birnie and Council Member Hoefsloot

**Mayor Gamble called on the original motion made by Council Member Hoefsloot, as presented:**

**That Councillor Kowalski be appointed to attend the Acheson Business Association quarterly meetings as a guest, effective January 10, 2023 to the Council Organizational meeting on October 2023.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**For:** 6 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Kobasiuk, Council Member Birnie and Council Member Hoefsloot

**Against:** 1 - Council Member Wiedeman

**A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that Councillor Kucher-Johnson be appointed as an Alternate to attend the Acheson Business Association quarterly meetings as a guest, effective January 10, 2023 to the Council Organizational meeting on October 2023.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**For:** 6 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Kobasiuk, Council Member Birnie and Council Member Hoefsloot

**Against:** 1 - Council Member Wiedeman

## **BUSINESS ARISING**

### **Mayor and Council Member Matters**

#### **[RFD 22-328](#)**

Evergreens Foundation Agreement

#### **Proposed Motion**

That administration be directed to review the agreement between Evergreens Foundation and Parkland County.

**A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that administration be directed to review the agreement between Evergreens Foundation and Parkland County.**

**Council Member Birnie moved that the motion be amended as follows:**

**Add:**

**"...and that the information be presented at the March 14, 2023 Council meeting..."**

**And that the motion now read:**

**That administration be directed to review the agreement between Evergreens Foundation and Parkland County, and that the information be presented at the March 14, 2023 Council meeting.**

**The motion carried unanimously.**

### **Corporate & Shared Services Matters**

[RFD 23-006](#)

Code of Conduct Bylaw Review Committee Terms of Reference and Council Appointments

**Proposed Motions**

1. That the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review Committee Terms of Reference be approved, as presented.
2. That Council appoint up to three (3) Council members to the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review Committee.

**A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review Committee Terms of Reference be approved, as presented.**

**Council Member Kobasiuk withdrew the motion.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review Committee be established. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that Council appoint up to three (3) Council members to the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review Committee.**

**Council Member Wiedeman moved that the motion be amended as follows:**

**Delete:**

**"That Council appoint up to three (3) Council members to the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review Committee."**

**Add:**

**"That Council direct administration to engage all Council Members as part of the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review, and that the Code of Conduct Bylaw be presented for first reading at the June 30, 2023 Council meeting."**

**And that the motion now read:**

**That Council direct administration to engage all Council Members as part of the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review, and that the Code of Conduct Bylaw be presented for first reading at the June 30, 2023 Council meeting.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**For:** 6 - Mayor Gamble, Council Member Kowalski, Council Member Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Kobasiuk, Council Member Birnie and Council Member Wiedeman

**Against:** 1 - Council Member Hoefsloot

**Mayor Gamble called on the original motion made by Council Member Birnie, as amended:**

**That Council direct administration to engage all Council Members as part of the Code of Conduct Bylaw Review, and that the Code of Conduct Bylaw be presented for first reading at the June 30, 2023 Council meeting.**

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**COMMUNICATIONS**[COM 23-001](#)

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 23-002](#)

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

[COM 23-004](#)

Mayor's Report

**Proposed Motion**

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

**Mayor Gamble reported on a meeting with Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation Nate Horner regarding the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board, and the Regional Agricultural Master Plan.**

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

[COM 23-003](#)

Committee Reports

**Proposed Motion**

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

**Council Member Hoefsloot reported on the Agricultural Services Board.**

**Council Member Kobasiuk reported on the Evergreens Foundation.**

**Council Member Birnie reported on lake testing with the Wabamun Watershed Committee.**

**Council Member Kucher-Johnson reported on the Pioneer Museum, and Parkland County Library Board.**

**Council Member Kowalski reported on the Capital Region Wastewater Commission, North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance, and the Vermillion River Watershed Alliance.**



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

**CLOSE OF MEETING**

Mayor Gamble closed the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

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Manager, Legislative Services