



Parkland County

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Meeting Minutes

Governance and Priorities Committee

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

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER/TERRITORIAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Committee Chairperson Wiedeman called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

On behalf of the Committee, Chairperson Wiedeman offered the following Treaty 6 lands acknowledgement:

We wish to thank the residents of Parkland County and the previous farmer's that helped developed this County and the ones that settled it many years before that.

Present: 5 - Council Member Sally Kucher-Johnson, Council Member Kristina Kowalski, Council Member Phyllis Kobasiuk, Council Member Natalie Birnie and Council Member Rob Wiedeman

Absent: 2 - Mayor Allan Gamble and Council Member Allan Hoefsloot

Administration:

Laura Swain, Chief Administrative Officer

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

Jody Hancock, Acting General Manager, Operations Services and Director, Engineering Services

Jeff Dyck, General Manager, Corporate & Shared Services and Chief Financial

Suzanne Merrills, Director, Community Services (In-part)

Avelyn Nicole, Manager, Environment Services (In-part)

Krista Quesnel, Director, Agricultural Services (In-part)

Joshua Culling, Director, Growth & Strategy (In-part)

Rob Coon, Consultant, Office of the CAO (In-part)

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

Barb Williams, Manager, Legislative Services

Rachel Coupal, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services

Odessa Bartel, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services (Recording Secretary)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Administration requested to add the following:

- Item 7.3 - Celebrating Successes

A motion was made by Committee Member Kowalski that the September 19, 2023 Governance and Priorities Committee meeting agenda be adopted, as amended.

The motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

[MIN 23-030](#)

Adoption of September 5, 2023 Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes

Proposed Motion

That the September 5, 2023 Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes be adopted, as presented.

A motion was made by Committee Member Kobasiuk that the September 5, 2023 Governance and Priorities Committee meeting minutes be adopted, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

[RFD 23-264](#)

Celebrating Success

Proposed Motion

That the Celebrating Success - Wabamun Movie Night Event presentation be received for information, as presented.

Suzanne Merrills presented the Celebrating Success - Wabamun Movie Night Event presentation.

A motion was made by Committee Member Kowalski that the Celebrating Success presentation be received for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

DELEGATIONS

[App 23-065](#)

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

Committee Chairperson Wiedeman asked the gallery if there were any issues that the public wished to bring to the attention of Parkland County. No one came forward.

COMMUNICATIONS

[COM 23-087](#)

Rural Municipalities of Alberta Contact Newsletter

Proposed Motion

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

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

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 23-088](#)

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 Committee Member Kucher-Johnson that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities update be received for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS

Chairperson Wiedeman recessed the meeting at 9:12 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

DELEGATIONS

[App 23-067](#)

9:30 a.m. - Appointment - TransAlta TriLeisure Centre 2024 Annual Budget
Lenny Richer, General Manager

Proposed Motions

1. That TransAlta TriLeisure Centre 2024 Annual Budget presentation be accepted for information, as presented.
2. That the TransAlta TriLeisure Centre 2022 Annual Report presentation be accepted for information, as presented.

Lenny Richer and Jerry George presented the TransAlta TriLeisure Centre 2024 Annual Budget.

A motion was made by Committee Member Kucher-Johnson that TransAlta TriLeisure Centre 2024 Annual Budget presentation be accepted for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Committee Member Birnie that the TransAlta TriLeisure Centre 2022 Annual Report presentation be accepted for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

[App 23-066](#)

10:00 a.m. Appointment - North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA)
Scott Millar, Executive Director, NSWA
Kelsie Norton, Watershed Planning Coordinator, NSWA

Proposed Motion

That the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance 2023 Overview and Highlights presentation be received for information, as presented.

Scott Millar and Kelsie Norton presented the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) presentation.

A motion was made by Committee Member Kowalski that the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance 2023 Overview and Highlights presentation be received for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS

Chairperson Wiedeman recessed the meeting at 10:26 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

[RFD 23-249](#)

Closed Session

Proposed Motion

That the Committee convene in closed session pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Section 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A motion was made by Committee Member Kobasiuk that the Committee convene in closed session at 10:44 a.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

[PRE 23-065](#)

Wabamun Initiatives Update
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials

[RFD 23-250](#)

Regular Session

Proposed Motion

That the Committee revert to regular meeting session.

A motion was made by Committee Member Birnie that the Committee revert to regular meeting session at 11:33 a.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS

Chairperson Wiedeman recessed the meeting at 11:33 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

[RFD 23-249](#)

Closed Session

Proposed Motion

That the Committee convene in closed session pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Section 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A motion was made by Committee Member Birnie that the Committee convene in closed session at 1:10 p.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

[PRE 23-060](#)

1:00 p.m. Appointment - Governance and Future Planning
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials

Committee Member Kucher-Johnson left the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

Present: 4 - Council Member Kristina Kowalski, Council Member Phyllis Kobasiuk, Council Member Natalie Birnie and Council Member Rob Wiedeman

Absent: 3 - Mayor Allan Gamble, Council Member Sally Kucher-Johnson and Council Member Allan Hoefsloot

[RFD 23-250](#)

Regular Session

Proposed Motion

That the Committee revert to regular meeting session.

A motion was made by Committee Member Kowalski that the Committee revert to regular meeting session at 3:36 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

The next Governance and Priorities Committee meeting is scheduled for
October 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

CLOSE OF MEETING

Committee Chairperson Wiedeman closed the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

Committee Chair

Recording Secretary