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Meeting Minutes

Council

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

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

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 that our meeting today convenes on the lands of Treaty 6 which is the traditional home of the Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux Nations and members of the Metis Nation of Alberta, Inuit and all first Nations sharing in 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."

Council Member Birnie attended the meeting virtually.

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

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
Nancy Domijan, Interim General Manager, Development Services
Julia Leduc, Current Planner II (In-part)
Jessica Harnden, Senior Planner, Current Planning (In-part)
Barb Williams, Manager, Legislative and Legal Services
Rachel Coupal, Legislative Officer, Legislative and Legal Services (Recording Secretary)

CELEBRATING SUCCESSES

Mayor Gamble extended a sincere thank you to Jeff Dyck, who was Interim Chief Administrative Officer for the last 8 months.

Mayor Gamble also welcomed Laura Swain back as Chief Administrative Officer.

INSPIRATIONAL REFLECTION

Council Member Kobasiuk offered a short inspirational reflection.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that the January 14, 2025 Council meeting agenda be adopted, as amended, with the following items added:

- Item 6.C.4 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw Project Implementation Resolution
- Item 8.4 - Media Relations
- Item 8.5 - Economic Diversification

The motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

[MIN 25-002](#)

Adoption of the December 3, 2024 Budget Approval Meeting Minutes

Proposed Motion

That the December 3, 2024 Budget Approval Meeting Minutes be adopted, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that the December 3, 2024 Council meeting minutes be adopted, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

[MIN 25-001](#)

Adoption of the December 10, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes

Proposed Motion

That the December 10, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes be adopted, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that the December 10, 2024 Council meeting minutes be adopted, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

DELEGATIONS

[App 24-002](#)

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

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

Rod Shaigec, a resident of Parkland County, came forward to present his opinion related to the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board Membership.

NEW BUSINESS

Legislative Matters

RFD 25-006

Land Use Bylaw Project Implementation Resolution

A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that Council approve to accept text and/or map applications to amend Land Use Bylaw 2017-18 to proceed with first reading and if applicable to schedule a public hearing and second and third reading in relation to amend the Land Use Bylaw, for the following applications:

- a. To re-district SW33-52-26-W4 from AGR - Agriculture Restricted District to MI – Medium Industrial District and BI – Business Industrial District
- b. To re-district SW 29-52-26-4 and Lot 1 and 2, Block 1, Plan 032 1486 from AGR - Agriculture Restricted District to BI – Business Industrial District
- c. To amend the text in the Highvale End Land Use Direct Control District (DC Area 2) And to amend the text to the Keephills Direct Control District Regulations (DC Area 4)

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that Application PD2024-002 and PD2024-003 commenced November 6, 2024, prior to the effective date of the moratorium imposed by Council effective December 1, 2024, that Council proceed with the public hearing and second and third reading, if applicable, in relation to Bylaws 2024-24 and 2024-25 to amend the Land Use Bylaw. The motion carried unanimously.

[BL 24-047](#)

Bylaw 2025-02 - Proposed Amendment to the Acheson Industrial Area Structure Plan Bylaw 2020-13.

Proposed Motions

1. That Bylaw 2025-02 receive first reading.
2. That a Public Hearing be scheduled for February 11, 2025, at 9:30 am to hear public comment on Bylaw 2025-02.

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that Bylaw 2025-02 receive first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Birnie that a Public Hearing be scheduled on February 11, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. to hear public comment on Bylaw 2025-02. The motion carried unanimously.

[BL 24-048](#)

Bylaw 2025-03 - Proposed Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 2017-18 - Redistricting Pt. SW-33-52-26-W4M.

Proposed Motions

1. That Bylaw 2025-03 receive first reading.
2. That a Public Hearing be scheduled for February 11, 2025, at 10:00am to hear public comment on Bylaw 2025-03.

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher-Johnson that Bylaw 2025-03 receive first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that a Public Hearing be scheduled on February 11, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. to hear public comment on Bylaw 2025-03. The motion carried unanimously.

[BL 24-045](#)

Code of Conduct Bylaw 2025-01

Proposed Motion

That Bylaw 2025-01 receive first reading.

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that Bylaw 2025-01 receive first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Against: 2 - Council Member Birnie and Council Member Kowalski

RECESS

Mayor Gamble recessed the meeting at 9:34 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

COMMUNICATIONS[COM 25-002](#)

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 25-003](#)

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

[COM 25-004](#)

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:

- Attended year end and Christmas Events
- United Way Meeting
- Stony Plain Senior's Centre Meeting
- Clymont Hall Community Meeting

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 25-005](#)

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
 - Agricultural Service Board Meeting
 - Mayor/Deputy Mayor/CAO Meeting
 - Various Meetings attended
2. Council Member Kucher-Johnson
 - Staff Christmas Luncheon
 - Town of Stony Plain Christmas Event
 - Tri-Leisure Centre Board of Directors Event
 - Tri-Leisure Centre Awards Night
 - Clymont Hall Meeting
3. Council Member Kobasiuk
 - Wabamun Lake Meeting with resident and Council Member Wiedeman
4. Council Member Wiedeman
 - Attended the funeral for Lois Darby
 - Committee on Keephills Environment Meeting at the Sundance Plant

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION[RFD 25-001](#)

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 21, 24 and 25 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A motion was made by Council Member Wiedeman that Council convene in closed session at 9:56 a.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal

Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 17, 21, 24 and 25 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The motion carried unanimously.

[PRE 25-001](#)

Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board
FOIP Section 21 - Harmful to intergovernmental relations
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials
FOIP Section 25 - Harmful to economic interest of a public body

[PRE 25-004](#)

Media Relations
FOIP Section 17 - Harmful to personal privacy
FOIP Section 21 - Harmful to intergovernmental relations
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials
FOIP Section 25 - Harmful to economic interest of a public body

[PRE 25-005](#)

Economic Diversification Update
FOIP Section 21 - Harmful to intergovernmental relations
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials
FOIP Section 25 - Harmful to economic interest of a public body

[RFD 25-002](#)

Regular Session

Proposed Motion

That Council revert to regular meeting session.

A motion was made by Council Member Kowalski that Council revert to regular meeting session at 11:15 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

[PRE 25-001](#)

Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board
FOIP Section 21 - Harmful to intergovernmental relations
FOIP Section 24 - Advice from officials
FOIP Section 25 - Harmful to economic interest of a public body

A motion was made by Council Member Kobasiuk that Parkland County inform the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it is opting not to participate as a voluntary member of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board. The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSE OF MEETING

Mayor Gamble closed the meeting at 11:19 a.m.

Mayor

Manager, Legislative Services