

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA  
HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
AND HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM  
APRIL 16, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor.....Kelly Muir  
Deputy Mayor .....Bill Love  
Councillor .....Debbie Durocher  
Councillor .....Tara Elwood  
Councillor .....Daryl Weber  
CAO .....Kathy Skwarchuk  
Asst. CAO .....Cathy McCartney (Zoom Administrator)

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Muir called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

Mayor Muir read a Land Acknowledgement Statement as follows:

Alberta Beach respectfully acknowledges that it is located on the First People's traditional lands. We recognize this traditional Treaty Six Territory to show respect and understanding to the First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples who walked this land for centuries. We express gratitude and respect for the land we use and reaffirm our relationship with one another.

**NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS:**

Mayor Muir also recognized that May 5, 2024 is "National Day of Awareness" also known as "Red Dress Day" to recognize the missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls, and Two-Spirit People.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS:**

- 14.k National Police Federation – Letter to Deputy Premier & Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Services
- 14.l Oneway Royal Canadian Legion – Invitation to Oneway Legion 132 Annual Veterans Dinner
- 14.m Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Society – Requisition
- 15.e Alberta Beach & District Museum – Request for Sponsorship Support for Bridge Between Nations Project

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION #057-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED MEETING SESSION:** None.

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2024:**

**MOTION #058-24**

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on March 19, 2024 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS:**

**STEVEN KIM, DOYLE & COMPANY – PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT 2023 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (AGENDA ITEM 11.A):**

The Auditor, Steven Kim of Doyle & Company presented and reviewed with Council the draft 2023 Audited Financial Statements. Mr. Kim gave a Power Point Presentation which included a summary of the 2023 operating and capital income and expenditures as well as the unrestricted and restricted surplus and reserve accounts.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE DRAFT AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 31, 2023:**

**MOTION #059-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the draft Audited Financial Statements for December 31, 2023 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Muir thanked Steven Kim for attending the meeting and for the power point presentation of the financial statements.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None.

**MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING TO HOLD A MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:**

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**MOTION #060-24**

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that the meeting adjourn to hold a Municipal Planning Commission meeting at 7:16 P.M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEETING RECONVENED:**

Mayor Muir reconvened the meeting at 7:32 P.M.

**OLD BUSINESS & CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:**

The CAO submitted and reviewed the CAO report action list.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:**

**MOTION #061-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the CAO Report Action List be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

**ACCEPTANCE OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023:**

The draft Audited Financial Statements for December 31, 2023 was approved under delegations above.

**ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORT OF MARCH 31, 2024:**

**MOTION #062-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the Financial Report of March 31, 2024 be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BYLAWS & POLICIES:**

**BYLAW #296-24 THE FEES & RATES BYLAW:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING OF BYLAW #296-24:**

**MOTION #063-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Bylaw #296-24, being a bylaw to establish a schedule of fees and rates for Alberta Beach be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOTION TO APPROVE THIRD AND FINAL READING OF BYLAW #296-24:**

**MOTION #064-24**

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that Bylaw #296-24 be read a third & final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & STAFF REPORTS:**

**COUNCILLOR DUROCHER:**

Councillor Durocher reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:  
Lake Isle & Lac Ste. Anne Water Quality Mgmt Society meetings held on March 26, 2024.  
Alberta Beach & District Museum & Archives meeting held on April 10, 2024.

**COUNCILLOR ELWOOD:**

Councillor Elwood reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:  
Onoway Regional Fire Services Member's meeting held on April 3, 2024.  
Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) meeting held on April 4, 2024, Councillor Elwood also reported that the committee has now dissolved.  
RMA Insurance Genesis Annual General meeting of April 8, 2024.  
Alberta Beach Public Works Advisory Committee meeting held on April 11, 2024.  
Yellowhead Regional Library Board meeting held on April 15, 2024.

**DEPUTY MAYOR LOVE**

Deputy Mayor Love reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:  
Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Committee meeting and Annual General meeting held on March 26, 2024.

**COUNCILLOR WEBER:**

Councillor Weber reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:  
Community Futures Yellowhead East meeting held on March 21, 2024.  
Lac Ste. Anne Foundation meeting held on March 26, 2024.

**MAYOR MUIR**

Mayor Muir reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:  
Lac Ste Anne County Reeve's fire meeting held on March 22, 2024.  
Onoway Regional Fire Services Member's meeting held on April 3, 2024.

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Trivillage Mayor's meeting held on April 9, 2024.

Lac Ste. Anne County Reeve & Mayors meeting held on April 12, 2024.

**ACCEPTANCE OF COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:**

**MOTION #065-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the Council, committee and staff reports be accepted for information.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION ITEMS:**

**ALBERTA PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES – 2023 PROVINCIAL POLICE FUNDING MODEL CHARGEBACK:**

Correspondence was received from Alberta Public Safety & Emergency Services regarding the 2023 Police Funding Model, the chargeback and municipal contribution towards the policing cost share for 2023.

**ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – ABMUNIS PUBLIC RISK CONFERENCE:**

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the ABmunis Public Risk Conference which is taking place April 18-19 in Edmonton.

**ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – ADD YOUR VOICE TO CALL FOR INDEPENDENT LOCAL ELECTIONS:**

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the Province's intention to bring in legislation to allow political parties to formally participate in local elections, also included was key messages about the importance of keeping political parties out of local elections.

**MOTION #066-24**

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that Alberta Beach Council approve to join the call to keep political parties out of local elections and further that a letter be forwarded to Alberta Municipalities, the Premier, the Minister, and the MLA.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – AMSC ENERGY NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT FROM TRANSALTA:**

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the AMSC Energy and the Notice of Assignment from TransAlta, further to advise that the assignment is by mutual agreement and part of ABmunis ongoing effort to streamline operations and enhance service delivery.

**ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – 2024 CONVENTION & TRADE SHOW ACCOMMODATIONS:**

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding accommodations for the 2024 ABmunis Convention & Trade Show being held on Sept 25-27 in Red Deer. Councillor Durocher, Councillor Elwood and Councillor Weber confirmed they will be attending the conference.

**FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL – INFORMATION ON NON- PROFIT STATUS – P3 PRIVATE-PUBLIC-PARTNERSHIP FIRE SERVICE:**

Correspondence was received from Chief Ives of Fire Rescue International which included information on Non- Profit Status – P3 Private-Public-Partnership Fire Service.

**MATTHEWSON & CO. - \$500 BURSARIES FOR STUDENTS IN SMALL COMMUNITIES:**

Correspondence was received from Matthewson & Co. to advise they are offering two \$500 Bursaries to students from small population communities in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba who will be attending a Canadian post-secondary institution in the fall of 2024.

**WILD WATER COMMISSION – 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:**

Notice was received from WILD Water Commission regarding their 2024 Annual General Meeting being held on April 27, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at the Alberta Beach Seniors Centre. Deputy Mayor Love and Councillor Elwood confirmed they will be attending the Annual General meeting.

**YELLOWHEAD REGIONAL LIBRARY – YRL 2023 ANNUAL REPORT:**

Correspondence was received from Yellowhead Regional Library which included the YRL 2023 Annual Report and the 2023-2025 Strategic Plan.

**FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL – ONOWAY REGIONAL FIRE SERVICES 2023 CALL STATS PRESENTATION:**

Fire Rescue International forwarded the Onoway Regional Fire Services 2023 Call Stats Presentation which included a breakdown of calls by municipality, time of day, call types, chute time, response time, member strength, information on training & enhanced medical first response, as well a listing of frontline fire trucks & apparatus, support vehicles & equipment.

**NATIONAL POLICE FEDERATION – LETTER TO DEPUTY PREMIER & MINISTER OF PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

A copy of a letter from the National Police Federation to Hon. Mike Ellis, Deputy Premier & Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Services was received outlining concerns regarding Budget 2024 and the implications of Bill 11.

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**ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION – INVITATION TO ONOWAY LEGION 132 ANNUAL VETERANS DINNER:**

An invitation was received from the Onoway Royal Canadian Legion for the Mayor to attend the Onoway Legion Annual Veterans Dinner being held on May 4<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Muir confirmed he will be attending the Annual Veterans dinner.

**LAC STE. ANNE EAST END BUS SOCIETY – REQUISITION:**

Correspondence was received from Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Society regarding the requisitions from the municipal members being Lac Ste. Anne County, the Town of Onoway and Alberta Beach advising that the board elected to shift to a per-capita rate and that the standard rate for the Associate Members (i.e. Summer Villages) is proposed with a \$25 increase per municipality and further that the capital contribution was waived for 2024.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION ITEMS:**

**MOTION #067-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the correspondence information items be accepted for information.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:**

**ALBERTA BEACH AG SOCIETY – WHAT WOMEN WANT SPONSORSHIP:**

**MOTION #068-24**

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that Council approves a \$200.00 sponsorship for the Alberta Beach Ag Society's What Women Want as well as a donation of promotional products.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT LION'S CLUB – LION'S 50<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION:**

**MOTION #069-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Council approves that Councillor Durocher and Councillor Weber be approved to attend the Alberta Beach & District Lion's Club 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration being held on May 11, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COURAGEOUS COMPANIONS – ANNUAL COURAGEOUS K9 ADVERTISING SPONSORSHIP:**

**MOTION #070-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that Council approves the advertising sponsorship renewal request from Courageous Companions for a business card advertisement in the amount of \$319.00 for their annual Courageous K9 publication in support of courageous companions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**WILD ALBERTA – WILD ALBERTA VISITORS GUIDE 2024 ADVERTISING:**

**MOTION #071-24**

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Council approves the request from WILD Alberta for advertising in the WILD Alberta Visitors Guide 2024 for a half page advertisement in the amount of \$395.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT MUSEUM – REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT FOR BRIDGE BETWEEN NATIONS PROJECT:**

**MOTION #072-24**

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that the Alberta Beach & District Museum's request for sponsorship support for their Bridge Between Nations Project be tabled to the next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**QUESTION PERIOD:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

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Mayor – Kelly Muir

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C.A.O. – Kathy Skwarchuk