

**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
JANUARY 16, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Mayor.....Kelly Muir
Deputy MayorBill Love
CouncillorDebbie Durocher
CouncillorTara Elwood
CouncillorDaryl Weber
CAOKathy Skwarchuk
Asst. CAOCathy McCartney (Zoom Administrator)

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Muir called the meeting to order at 7:03 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.

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

15.e Government of Alberta – Engagement on Improving Police Governance in Alberta

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION #001-24

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED MEETING SESSION:

MOTION TO MOVE CLOSED MEETING SESSION TO THE END OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION #002-24

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the closed meeting session be moved to the end of the agenda.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2023:

MOTION #003-24

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on December 19, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: None.

OLD BUSINESS & CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

The CAO submitted and reviewed the CAO report action list.

MOTION #004-24 – ACCEPTANCE OF CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCIAL REPORTS: None.

BYLAWS & POLICIES:

REQUEST FOR DECISION – PROPOSED BYLAW #295-24 AMENDMENTS TO CONSOLIDATED LAND USE BYLAW #252-17:

MOTION TO APPROVE FIRST READING OF BYLAW #295-24:

MOTION #005-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Bylaw #295-24, being a bylaw to amend the Consolidated Land Use Bylaw #252-17 be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING ON BYLAW #295-24:

MOTION #006-24

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that a Public Hearing on Bylaw #295-24 be scheduled for February 20th, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

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COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & STAFF REPORTS:

DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (DEM) JANICE CHRISTIANSEN:
DEM Janice Christiansen reviewed and submitted a report to update Council on the SVREMP Partnership as well as Alberta Beach's Emergency Management.

COUNCILLOR WEBER:
Councillor Weber reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Community Futures Yellowhead East meeting held on December 21, 2023.
Trivillage Regional Sewer Services Commission meeting held on January 10, 2024.

MAYOR MUIR
Mayor Muir reviewed and submitted reports on the following meeting:
Trivillage Regional Sewer Services Commission meeting held on January 10, 2024.

DEPUTY MAYOR LOVE
Deputy Mayor Love reviewed and submitted reports on the following meeting:
Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Committee meeting held on January 15, 2024.

COUNCILLOR ELWOOD:
Councillor Elwood reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Alberta Beach Library Board meeting held on January 8, 2024.

COUNCILLOR DUROCHER:
Councillor Durocher reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Alberta Beach Ag Society Beachwave Park Operations Committee meeting held on January 4, 2024.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REPORT:
Administration submitted a report for information on the 2024 Development Permits issued to date.

MOTION TO ACCEPT COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:

MOTION #007-24

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the Council, committee and staff reports be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION ITEMS:

ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT & PROTECTED AREAS – LETTER FROM MINISTER SCHULTZ – DROUGHT CONDITIONS IN ALBERTA:

A letter was received from Minister Rebecca Schulz of Alberta Environment & Protected Areas regarding drought conditions in Alberta requesting municipalities take action to monitor water supply infrastructure, review terms of water licenses, alert municipal water managers to prepare to engage with Alberta's Drought Command Team and develop a water shortage plan.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – LETTER FROM MINISTER MCIVER – OIL & GAS PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE:

A letter was received from Minister Ric McIver of Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the oil & gas property tax incentive which is extended until the Assessment Model Review is completed and the regulated assessment models for wells are updated.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – ALBERTA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP EVALUATION SURVEY:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs requesting participation in an evaluation survey on the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) program which was intended to improve viability and long-term sustainability of local governments by providing support for regional collaboration and capacity building initiatives.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – ABMUNIS WEBINAR ON THE LGFF CAPITAL ALLOCATION FORMULA:

An invitation was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding their January 18th, 2024 webinar to share their analysis on the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) capital allocation formula, the new programs rules and how the transition to LGFF capital will impact municipalities in 2024 & into the future.

ALBERTA TREASURY BOARD & FINANCE – BORROWING NOTICE MARCH 2024:

Correspondence was received from the Alberta Treasury Board & Finance regarding the Borrowing Notice for March 2024.

FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL – FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL & ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES STATS 2023:

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Fire Rescue International forwarded their Fire Rescue International & Alberta Health Services Ambulance Statistics for the first half of 2023 which shows FRI attended 87 medical calls with AHS between January 1st and June 30th, 2023, the report outlines their role on scene, how FRI works with AHS to make things seamless for the patients, average time with patient waiting for ambulance as well as facts and case studys.

GROWTH ALBERTA – REGIONAL SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

An invitation was received from Growth Alberta to attend a Regional Socio-Economic Development event being held on February 5-6, 2024 in Whitecourt, the event aims to envision a re-invigorated inter-municipal partnership to work toward common goals for economic & social priorities in the region.

SUMMER VILLAGE OF SOUTH VIEW – ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING RESULTS:

A letter was received from the Summer Village of South View regarding the results of their By-election and Organizational meeting.

TOWN OF ONOWAY – JOINT FIRE DISPATCH PROTOCOL:

A joint letter was received from the Town of Onoway and Lac Ste. Anne County outlining changes to the Joint Fire Dispatch Protocol for area highways, further the letter advised that Lac Ste. Anne County, as the authority having jurisdiction, have considered multiple factors prior to this change, the letter listed the highways effected and where LSACFS will be the responding department.

WILD WATER COMMISSION – NEW WEBSITE NOTIFICATION SYSTEM:

A letter was received from WILD Water Commission to announce the launch of their stakeholder notice system which is intended to help their team more effectively communicate urgent/emergency matters regarding the WILD Water Commission system by sending information directly to subscriber emails.

MOTION TO ACCEPT CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION #008-24

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

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB – SNOMO DAYS – REQUEST FOR SUPPORT:

MOTION #009-24

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that Council approves the request from the Alberta Beach & District Lion's Club for support for SnoMo Days to provide snow clearing on the ice for the drag race track, parking, ice park and the building of a track for the OHV challenge subject to the ice conditions, as well a \$500.00 contribution to the washroom expense, the supply of garbage cans, two fire pits at the ice park, spectator stands alongside drag race track and barricades to direct traffic subject to the Lions Club adding Alberta Beach as additional insured under their insurance policy and that the village receive recognition of Co-Title sponsorship in exchange for the in-kind work provided.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA BEACH LIONS CLUB SNOMO DAYS FIREWORKS:

MOTION #010-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Council approve to permit a Fireworks Display to be set off from the Boat Launch on SnoMo Days provided that the fireworks is conducted by a licensed Pyro-Technician carrying adequate property and liability insurance and further that Alberta Beach be added as additional insured under the policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DAVE IVES, FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL – REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETING:

MOTION #011-24

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that Council approve the request from Dave Ives of Fire Rescue International for a meeting with Council and administration and further the meeting be scheduled for January 31, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – FCSS HOME SUPPORT AGREEMENT:

MOTION #012-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Council approves the Lac Ste. Anne County FCSS Home Support Program Agreement as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – LINE PAINTING & CRACK SEALING:

MOTION #013-24

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the email from Lac Ste. Anne County regarding line painting & crack sealing be referred to the Public Works Committee.

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GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA – ENGAGEMENT ON IMPROVING POLICE GOVERNANCE IN ALBERTA:

MOTION #014-24

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Councillor Elwood be approved to attend the Government of Alberta's Engagement on Improving Police Governance in Alberta information session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

2024 TAX RECOVERY PUBLIC AUCTION:

The following tax recovery properties will be offered for sale at public auction:

Tax Roll #235, Lot 1, Block 19, Plan 6269CG (5219 – 48A Avenue) Certificate of Title 042289457

Tax Roll #492, Lot 10, Block 3, Plan 6604AO (4419 – 50 Avenue) Certificate of Title 232135144

Tax Roll #755, Lot 3A, Block 3, Plan 9925067 (4516 – 46B Street) Certificate of Title 992241755

The CAO reported that payment has been received on Tax Roll #492, Lot 10, Block 3, Plan 6604AO (4419 – 50 Avenue).

MOTION #015-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Lot 1, Block 19, Plan 6269CG and Lot 3A, Block 3, Plan 9925067 be offered for tax sale by public auction on March 19, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Alberta Beach Municipal Office at 4935 – 50 Avenue (Ste. Anne Trail), Alberta Beach and further that the parcels be offered for sale subject to the following conditions;

The parcels will be offered for sale subject to a reserve bid, and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing certificate of title;

The Lands are being offered for sale on an "as is, where is" basis, and Alberta Beach makes no representation and gives no warranties whatsoever as to the adequacy of services, soil conditions, land use districting, building and development conditions, absence or presence of environmental contamination, or the development ability of the subject land for any intended use by the purchaser;

No bids will be accepted where the bidder attempts to attach conditions precedent to the sale of the parcels;

No terms and conditions will be considered other than those specified by Alberta Beach;

Alberta Beach may, after the public auction, become the owner of any parcel of land not sold at the public auction;

Terms: Cash, Certified Cheque or Bank Draft. 10% non-refundable deposit on the day of the sale and balance due within 14 days of the Public Auction, GST will apply if applicable; and

Reserve bids will be set at the 2023 assessed values as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

QUESTION PERIOD:

A brief discussion was held on the following topics: advertising for Bylaw #295-24 to amend the Consolidated Land Use Bylaw, the Director of Emergency Management (DEM) role & fire bans/advisory.

CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED MEETING SESSION:

Mayor Muir advised that the meeting will be going into closed session to discuss agenda 5.a Intergovernmental Relations and that the public will be welcomed back into the meeting after the closed session, however no motions are anticipated following the closed session.

MOTION #016-24 – MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING:

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that as per Section 197(2) of the MGA and Division 2, Part 1, Section 21(1) of the FOIP Act (*Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*) the meeting be closed to the public at 8:25 p.m. to discuss agenda item #5.a Intergovernmental Relations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Present for the closed meeting session:

Mayor Kelly Muir, Deputy Mayor Bill Love, Councillor Debbie Durocher, Councillor Tara Elwood, Councillor Daryl Weber, C.A.O. Kathy Skwarchuk and Assistant CAO Cathy McCartney were in attendance for the closed meeting session.

MOTION #017-24 – MOTION TO RE-OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that Council move to come out of closed meeting at 8:55 P.M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The public was invited back into the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Mayor – Kelly Muir

C.A.O. – Kathy Skwarchuk