

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM MEETING
MARCH 16, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

MayorJim Benedict
Deputy MayorAngela Duncan
CouncillorBud Love
CouncillorJudy Valiquette
CouncillorDaryl Weber
CAOKathy Skwarchuk

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Benedict called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA ADDITIONS: None.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

#036-21

MOVED BY Councillor Love that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED MEETING SESSION:

No closed meeting session was held.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

#037-21

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 16, 2021 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS:

MR. TONY OSWALD – DAMAGE TO GAZEBO DUE TO A FALLEN TREE DURING WINDSTORM:
Mr. Tony Oswald met with Council to discuss the damages to his gazebo from a fallen tree due to the windstorm on January 19th, 2021. He is requesting Council to reconsider reimbursement of the costs to replace the gazebo. Mr. Oswald also addressed concerns he has regarding some trees on village property which he has marked with a ribbon. Mayor Benedict advised that we will request our public works department check the trees, however the tree which came down was not one of the marked trees. Mayor Benedict advised Mr. Oswald that our insurance adjuster has reviewed the matter and has denied the claim as the cause of the fallen tree was due to the severe windstorm and therefore an "Act of God". Further that the municipality is not responsible for the damages to the gazebo and denies reimbursement as per our letter of February 17, 2021.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

No Municipal Planning Commission meeting was held.

OLD BUSINESS & CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

The CAO reviewed the Action List, no motions arose.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

#038-21

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Duncan that the Financial Report of December 31, 2020 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS & POLICIES:

BYLAW #282-21 – ALBERTA BEACH AND LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY ICF BYLAW:

#039-21

MOVED BY Councillor Love that Bylaw #282-21, being a bylaw to adopt the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between Alberta Beach and Lac Ste. Anne County be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#040-21

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Bylaw #282-21 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#041-21

MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that unanimous consent be given to proceed to third reading of Bylaw #282-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#042-21

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Duncan that Bylaw #282-21 be read a third & final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW #283-21 – ALBERTA BEACH AND THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNSET POINT ICF BYLAW:

#043-21

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Duncan that Bylaw #283-21, being a bylaw to adopt the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between Alberta Beach and the Summer Village of Sunset Point be read a first time.

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- #044-21 MOVED BY Councillor Love that Bylaw #283-21 be read a second time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- #045-21 MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that unanimous consent be given to proceed to third reading of Bylaw #283-21.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- #046-21 MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Bylaw #283-21 be read a third & final time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- BYLAW #284-21 – ALBERTA BEACH AND THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF VAL QUENTIN ICF BYLAW:**
- #047-21 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Duncan that Bylaw #284-21, being a bylaw to adopt the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between Alberta Beach and the Summer Village of Val Quentin be read a first time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- #048-21 MOVED BY Councillor Love that Bylaw #284-21 be read a second time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- #049-21 MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that unanimous consent be given to proceed to third reading of Bylaw #284-21.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- #050-21 MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Bylaw #284-21 be read a third & final time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & STAFF REPORTS:

DEPUTY MAYOR DUNCAN:

Deputy Mayor Duncan reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Brownlee Emerging Trends in Municipal Law Seminar of February 18, 2021.
Lake Isle & Lac Ste. Anne Water Quality Management Society meeting of February 23, 2021.
Alberta Beach Ag Society Agliplex Operations Committee meeting of February 25, 2021.
AUMA Provincial Budget Webinar of February 26, 2021.

COUNCILLOR VALIQUETTE:

Councillor Valiquette reviewed and submitted reports on the following meeting:
Alberta Beach Library Board meeting of March 9, 2021

COUNCILLOR WEBER:

Councillor Weber reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance Steering Committee meeting of March 1, 2021.
Alberta Beach Ag Society meeting of February 25, 2021.
Beachwave Banker meeting of March 10, 2021.
East End Bus Committee meeting of March 10, 2021.
Partners in Progress meeting of March 9, 2021.

COUNCILLOR LOVE:

Councillor Love reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Highway 43 East Waste Commission meeting of February 22, 2021.
Alberta Beach Museum & Archives – Councillor Love reported the committee has withdrawn from holding meat draws at this time due to Covid-19.

MAYOR BENEDICT:

Mayor Benedict reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Town Hall meeting with Premier Jason Kenney of February 26, 2021.
Town of Mayerthorpe Mayor meeting of March 12, 2021.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REPORT:

A report on the 2021 Development Permits issued to date was distributed for information.

- #051-21 MOVED BY Councillor Valiquette that the Council, committee and staff reports be accepted for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION ITEMS:

ALBERTA CLIMATE ENGAGEMENT – MUNICIPALITIES AND COMMUNITIES CLIMATE ENGAGEMENT:

The Alberta Climate Engagement forwarded correspondence regarding municipalities and communities climate engagement to gather input and feedback for the Government of Alberta on climate-related policies and initiatives.

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES – COVID-19 COMMUNITY UPDATES:

Covid-19 Community Updates of February 16, 22, March 1 and 8, 2021 was received from Alberta Health Services.

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ALBERTA HEALTH EMERGENCY OPERATIONS – COVID-19 MUNICIPALITY UPDATES:
Covid-19 Municipality Updates of February 17, 24 and March 3, 2021 was received from Alberta Health Emergency Operations Centre.

ALBERTA INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL – AISC QUARTERLY UPDATE:
Alberta Invasive Species Council Quarterly Update and notice of annual general meeting and conference was received for information.

ALBERTA INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL – ZEBRA MUSSELS FOUND IN MOSS (MARIMO) BALLS:
The Alberta Invasive Species Council forwarded an alert regarding zebra mussels found in moss (marimo) balls being sold at plant and pet stores in Alberta and further advising these are a prohibited species under the *Fisheries (Alberta) Act* as they have the potential to cause damage to our water bodies, recreational equipment and irrigation systems.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – MUNICIPAL GOVERNANCE DURING COVID-19:
Municipal Governance during Covid-19 of February 19 and March 5, 2021 was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – BUDGET 2021 MESSAGE FROM HON. RIC MCIVER, MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS:
A letter was received from Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs to provide information on Budget 2021 and an update on MSI funding which has been extended for two years, the LGFF funding which has been delayed until 2024-25 and the GTF funding.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – ALBERTA BEACH 2020 MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM (MAP) REPORT:
A letter was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs to advise that the Alberta Beach 2020 Municipal Accountability Program (MAP) Report has been completed to the satisfaction of the Minister.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – CHANGES TO DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM:
A letter was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs to outline and update municipalities on the changes to Disaster Recovery Program which is now being funded on a 90:10 cost-sharing arrangement.

ALBERTA URBAN MUNICIPALITIES ASSOCIATION – ALBERTA POLICE INTERIM ADVISORY BOARD QUARTERLY REPORT:
The Alberta Urban Municipalities Association forwarded the Alberta Police Interim Advisory Board's first quarterly report for information.

ALBERTA URBAN MUNICIPALITIES ASSOCIATION – AUMA VILLAGES WEST UPDATE:
An AUMA Villages West Update was received from Alberta Urban Municipalities Association.

ALBERTA URBAN MUNICIPALITIES ASSOCIATION – AUMA'S BUDGET REPORT 2021:
AUMA's Preliminary Budget Report 2021 was received from Alberta Urban Municipalities Association.

ALBERTA URBAN MUNICIPALITIES ASSOCIATION – AUMA'S SPRING MUNICIPAL LEADERS' CAUCUS:
The Alberta Urban Municipalities Association forwarded information on the AUMA's Spring Municipal Leaders' Caucus which will be held virtually through zoom on April 14-16, 2021.

ATHABASCA COUNTY – PROPOSED CHANGES TO ALBERTA ENERGY REGULATOR (AER) DIRECTIVE 067:
Athabasca County forwarded a copy of their letter regarding the proposed changes to the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) Directive 067.

CANADA POST – ALBERTA BEACH POST OFFICE UPDATE:
Correspondence was received from Canada Post to announce that the Alberta Beach Post Office will be relocating to their permanent location at 4715 47th Street, Alberta Beach.

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST – REGIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS, E-COMMERCE AND GRANTS:
Correspondence was received from Community Futures Yellowhead East regarding their regional business items, e-commerce and grant, loans & support programs.

COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA – CPAA 2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE:
Correspondence was received from the Community Planning Association of Alberta regarding their CPAA 2021 Annual Conference being held virtually from May 3rd-5th, 2021.

FARM SAFETY CENTRE – UPDATE:
The Farm Safety Centre forwarded an update and request for support on their program.

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GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICES – ALBERTA CRITICAL WORKER BENEFIT:

The Government of Alberta Community & Social Services forwarded information on the announcement of the Alberta Critical Worker Benefit program.

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – MEDIA RELEASE REGARDING LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY AND TOWN OF MAYERTHORPE ICF:

Lac Ste. Anne County forwarded their media release regarding the Lac Ste. Anne County and Town of Mayerthorpe ICF.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT BOARD – SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL PROCEDURE RULES CHANGES:

The Municipal Government Board forwarded the changes to the MGB Subdivision and Development Appeal Procedure Rules which came into effect March 15, 2021.

MUNICIPALITY OF CROWSNEST PASS – PRESIDENT’S SUMMIT ON POLICING:

The Municipality of Crowsnest Pass forwarded their letter to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General regarding the President’s Summit on Policing, to advise their Council does not support the initiative to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police force.

NORTH SASKATCHEWAN WATERSHED ALLIANCE – IN STREAM NEWSLETTER:

The North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance February 2021 In Stream Newsletter was received for information.

STURGEON RIVER WATERSHED ALLIANCE – STURGEON RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN:

The Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance forwarded a copy of the recently released Sturgeon River Watershed Management Plan.

TOWN OF MAYERTHORPE – PRESS RELEASE REGARDING LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY & TOWN OF MAYERTHORPE ICF:

The Town of Mayerthorpe forwarded their press release regarding the Lac Ste. Anne County & Town of Mayerthorpe ICF.

WESTLOCK COUNTY – PROPOSED CHANGES TO ALBERTA ENERGY REGULATOR (AER) DIRECTIVE 067:

Westlock County forwarded a copy of their letter regarding the proposed changes to the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) Directive 067.

#052-21

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

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:

#053-21

ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT & PARKS – ALBERTA BEACH BOAT LAUNCH LOC:
MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Duncan that the correspondence from Alberta Environment & Parks advising that the Alberta Beach Boat Launch LOC conditions does not prohibit the collection of fees for maintenance purposes and therefore does not require an amendment be accepted for information and forwarded to the Ste. Anne Recreational Lake Use Committee (SARLUC).
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#054-21

AUMA / AMSC – NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION OPPORTUNITY 2022-2026:
MOVED BY Councillor Love that Council approve to participate in the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association AMSC Natural Gas Aggregation Procurement Opportunity for 2022-2026.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#055-21

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO LAND USE BYLAW:
MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Duncan that the Notice of Public Hearing for proposed Lac Ste. Anne County Land Use Bylaw #22-2017-02-21 amendment be accepted for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#056-21

RMA INSURANCE – GENESIS RECIPROCAL INSURANCE EXCHANGE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:
MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that Council approve to appoint Duane Gladden, Director of Business Services of the RMA and Genesis Principal Attorney to act as proxy on behalf of Alberta Beach at the Annual General Meeting of Genesis being held on April 8, 2021.
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ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY – BEACHWAVE PARK:
MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the letter from the Alberta Beach & District Agricultural Society regarding their interest in managing Beachwave Park be accepted for information and further that the Beachwave Park Stakeholders Committee be advised that a formal letter of interest has been received to manage the park and therefore request that a stakeholder committee meeting be scheduled with the Mayor and the Ag Society President for further discussion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

#058-21

CAPITAL REGION ASSESSMENT SERVICES COMMISSION – APPOINTMENT OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD MEMBERS:

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Duncan that the Assessment Review Board members be appointed as follows: ARB Chairperson – Raymond Ralph; ARB Clerk – Richard Barham; and ARB Panelists – Darlene Chartrand, Tina Groszko, Stewart Hennig, Richard Knowles and Raymond Ralph.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

QUESTION PERIOD:

A brief discussion arose on a development permit proposal submitted to the Development Officer (the Development Officer reported she is working on the application and further the application was not required to be referred to the Municipal Planning Commission), questions also arose on the Alberta Beach Boat Launch LOC (Licence of Occupation) and Council meeting delegations.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 P.M.

Mayor – Jim Benedict

C.A.O. – Kathy Skwarchuk