

**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
MAY 16, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Mayor.....Angela Duncan
Deputy MayorTara Elwood
CouncillorDebbie Durocher
CouncillorKelly Muir
CouncillorDaryl Weber
CAOKathy Skwarchuk
Asst. CAOCathy McCartney (Zoom Administrator)

CALL TO ORDER:

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

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Mayor Duncan 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.

RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS "RED DRESS DAY":

Mayor Duncan read a Recognition Statement on National Day of Awareness "Red Dress Day" as follows:

Alberta Beach would like to recognize that May 5th marks "Red Dress Day" in Canada, also known as the "National Day of Awareness" a day of remembrance for the missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls, and two-spirit people across the country. The colour red was chosen based on the traditional knowledge that it is the only colour spirits can see and it is used as a means of calling the spirits of these lost loved ones home. We honour and remember the thousands of Indigenous lives that have been taken and who never made it home. We continue to help raise awareness and to commit to working towards a safer future for all.

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

- 14.g Alberta Municipal Affairs – Payments for Volunteer Firefighters
- 14.h Parkland RCMP – Invitation to 150 Year Celebration
- 16.e Alberta Public Safety & Emergency Services – Enhanced Policing Agreement

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION #073-23

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 APRIL 18, 2023:

MOTION #074-23

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on April 18, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EMERGENCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 11, 2023:

MOTION #075-23

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that the minutes of the Emergency Advisory Committee meeting held on April 11, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS:

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST – CFYE ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTATION:

Michelle Jones of Community Futures Yellowhead East was unavailable to attend the Council meeting to present the CFYE 2022-2023 Annual Stakeholder Report. The report was distributed with the agenda and included background information on the organization, their mission & vision statements, loan & investment portfolios, the 2022 year in review, small business needs assessment, strategic goals and performance results, and upcoming partnership opportunities.

MOTION #076-23

MOVED BY Councillor Weber the Community Futures Yellowhead East annual report be accepted for information.

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RICHARD DEMERS – WASTE MANAGEMENT PRESENTATION:

Richard Demers presented a list of questions with respect to the new garbage bylaw and related matters which he reviewed with Council. The presentation included a number of questions on waste collection including location for cart collection, the contract awarded to Integrity Waste Solutions, the new garbage bylaw, public participation and communication to the residents, the sale proceeds of the village garbage truck, as well, the presentation included a number of questions regarding Council's legislative responsibilities. Council responded to a number of his questions during the presentation. Mayor Duncan thanked Mr. Demers for attending the meeting and confirmed the village will provide him a written response as requested.

MOTION #077-23

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that Richard Demers waste management presentation be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: None.

OLD BUSINESS & CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

EXCEPTION TO OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE BAN DURING FIRE BAN:

MOTION #078-23

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that Council allow an exception to the ban of off-highway vehicles in Alberta Beach during the fire ban to permit the Alberta Beach Bloom Committee to maintain and water the village flowers using their personal off-highway vehicle (side by side) for those purposes only, and further that the exception also apply to the campground managers for maintenance purposes in the municipal campground only, as well the exception applies to the Alberta Beach Public Works Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACCEPTANCE OF CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

MOTION #079-23

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Elwood the CAO report action list be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

COST OF LIVING INCREASE:

MOTION #080-23

MOVED BY Councillor Weber a cost of living increase of 4.0% be approved retroactive to January 1, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2023 BUDGET:

MOTION #081-23

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the 2023 Budget be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE GARBAGE TRUCK:

MOTION #082-23

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Elwood the proceeds from the sale of the garbage truck from Integrity Waste Solutions in the amount of \$80,000.00 be transferred to Reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS & POLICIES:

BYLAW # 291-23 THE ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW:

MOTION #083-23

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that Bylaw #291-23, being a bylaw to regulate and control household pets, and other animals be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION #084-23

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that Bylaw #291-23 be read a third & final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW # 293-23 A BYLAW TO AUTHORIZE THE RATES OF TAXATION FOR 2023:

MOTION #085-23

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Bylaw #293-23, being a bylaw to authorize the rates of taxation for 2023 be read a first time.

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MOTION #086-23

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that Bylaw #293-23 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION #087-23

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that unanimous consent be given to proceed to third reading of Bylaw #293-23.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION #088-23

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Elwood that Bylaw #293-23 be read a third & final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & STAFF REPORTS:

COUNCILLOR MUIR

Councillor Muir reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

McCullough Centre Tour held on April 19, 2023.

Alberta Beach Campground Advisory Committee meeting held on April 24, 2023.

Alberta Beach Public Works Advisory Committee meeting held on April 24, 2023.

Alberta Beach Ag Society Agliplex Operations Committee meeting held on April 27, 2023.

Joint Trivillage meeting held on May 9, 2023.

FCSS Trivillage Committee meeting held on May 10, 2023.

Alberta Beach Public Works Advisory Committee meeting held on May 12, 2023.

COUNCILLOR WEBER:

Councillor Weber reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Community Futures Yellowhead East meeting held on April 20, 2023.

Lac Ste. Anne Foundation meeting held on April 26, 2023.

Alberta Beach in Bloom meeting held on April 27, 2023.

COUNCILLOR DUROCHER:

Councillor Durocher reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Lake Isle & Lac Ste. Anne Water Quality Mgmt Society meetings held on April 25, 2023.

Alberta Beach Ag Society Beachwave Park Operations Committee meeting held on May 3, 2023.

Alberta Beach & District Museum & Archives meeting held on May 19, 2023.

DEPUTY MAYOR ELWOOD:

Deputy Mayor Elwood reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Onoway Regional Fire Services Executive Steering Committee meeting held on May 3, 2023.

Alberta Beach Library Board meeting held on May 8, 2023.

AB MUNIS AFRRCS meeting held on May 11, 2023.

Alberta Beach Public Works Advisory Committee meeting held on May 12, 2023.

Yellowhead Regional Library Board meeting held on May 15, 2023.

Onoway Regional Fire Services all member meeting held on April 17, 2023.

MAYOR DUNCAN:

Mayor Duncan reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Mayor's Report of May 16, 2023.

West Inter-lake District (WILD) Water Commission meeting and AGM held on April 22, 2023.

Lac Ste. Anne County Mayors meeting held on May 16, 2023 (verbal report).

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REPORT:

The administration department submitted a report for information on the 2023 Development Permits issued to date.

ACCEPTANCE OF COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:

MOTION #089-23

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION ITEMS:

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES – AHS SHOWS IMPROVEMENT IN PRIORITY AREAS:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Health Services outlining their improvements in the priority areas that matter most to Albertans including EMS response times, decreasing emergency department wait times, reducing wait time for surgeries and improving patient flow throughout the healthcare system.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – PROVINCIAL STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the Government of Alberta's declaration of a Provincial State of Emergency in response to the ongoing wildfire situations across Alberta.

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CANOE PROCUREMENT – CANOE & RMA CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT:

Correspondence was received regarding the Canoe & RMA annual charity golf tournament being held on June 14, 2023.

FALUN DAFA ASSOCIATION OF EDMONTON – FALUN DAFA DAY:

Correspondence was received from Falun Dafa Association of Edmonton regarding the 31st anniversary of their annual Falun Dafa Day celebration.

TOWN OF ONOWAY – CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS 2023:

An invitation was received from the Town of Oneway to attend their 100th Anniversary Celebration being held on June 24, 2023.

TOWN OF ONOWAY – ONOWAY REGIONAL FIRE SERVICES 2023 APPROVED BUDGET:

Correspondence was received from the Town of Oneway which included the Oneway Regional Fire Services 2023 approved budget.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – PAYMENTS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the province's commitment to assist local authorities by reimbursing compensation costs for volunteer firefighters who have been deployed to areas affected by wildfires.

PARKLAND RCMP – INVITATION TO 150 YEAR CELEBRATION:

An invitation was received from the Parkland RCMP to attend their 150 Year Celebration being held at the Parkland Detachment on May 27, 2023.

MOTION #090-23

MOVED BY Mayor Duncan Council approves Mayor Duncan, Deputy Mayor Elwood and Councillor Durocher to attend the Parkland RCMP 150 Year Celebration on May 27, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION #091-23

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:

ALBERTA BEACH LION'S CLUB REQUEST DONATION TOWARDS FIREWORKS FOR POLY DAYS:

MOTION #092-23

MOVED BY Councillor Muir the request from the Alberta Beach Lion's Club for a donation towards the fireworks for poly days be approved in the amount of \$1,000.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA BEACH 50 PLUS CLUB REQUEST COUNCIL TO ATTEND BURGER NIGHT:

MOTION #093-23

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Elwood that request from the Alberta Beach 50 Plus Club for Council to attend and assist with serving for burger night on May 29, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS 2023 MINISTER'S AWARDS FOR MUNICIPAL & PUBLIC LIBRARY EXCELLENCE:

MOTION #094-23

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Elwood Council approves to submit a nomination to the 2023 Minister's awards for public library excellence for the Alberta Beach Library Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA ASVA ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

MOTION #095-23

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the correspondence from the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta regarding the ASVA annual conference be accepted for information and further Council approve a donation for their silent auction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CAROL LARSON – TAX PAYMENT REQUEST:

Administration advised Council that tax account #764 has been placed on the monthly tax payment plan and the property owner has been made aware that the 2022 & 2023 property taxes must be paid in full by December 31, 2023 to avoid incurring further penalties.

MOTION #096-23

MOVED BY Councillor Weber the correspondence from Carol Larson regarding tax account #764 be accepted for information.

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COURAGEOUS COMPANIONS – COURAGEOUS K9 ADVERTISING:

MOTION #097-23

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Elwood that the request from Courageous Companions for sponsorship in their 2023 campaign be approved and further Council approve a business card advertisement in the amount of \$295.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

YELLOWHEAD COUNTY – REQUEST SUPPORT TO POSTPONE PROVINCIAL ELECTION:

MOTION #098-23

MOVED BY Councillor Weber the correspondence from Yellowhead County regarding support to postpone the provincial election due to the ongoing wildfire situations across the province be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

ALBERTA BEACH LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

MOTION #099-23

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Elwood to appoint the following individuals to the Alberta Beach Library Board for the specified terms:

Betty Meads – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Helen Purnell – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Cathy VandenBiggelaar – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Chaddie Langman – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Kathy Dion – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Riley Ekins – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Sharon Hansen – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Judey Jackson – term expiry date October 31, 2024;
Judy Valiquette – term expiry date October 31, 2024; and
Tara Elwood – term expiry date October 31, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA BEACH SNOWMOBILE CLUB – LETTER OF SUPPORT:

MOTION #100-23

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that Council approve a letter of support for the Alberta Beach Snowmobile Club's application to the Community Facility Enhancement Program small funding stream for the purchase of a new mechanical trail groomer.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – HOME SUPPORT & PREVENTATIVE COUNSELLING SUBSIDY AGREEMENT:

MOTION #101-23

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that the Lac Ste. Anne County Home Support & Preventative Counselling Subsidy Agreement be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WATER FOR LIFE - POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION FEASIBILITY STUDY STEERING COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE:

MOTION #102-23

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the Water for Life - Potable Water Distribution Feasibility Study Steering Committee Terms of Reference be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO THE POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION FEASIBILITY STUDY STEERING COMMITTEE:

MOTION #103-23

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the Council appointment to the Potable Water Distribution Feasibility Study steering committee be Mayor Duncan and Deputy Mayor Elwood and Councillor Durocher as alternate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES – ENHANCED POLICING AGREEMENT:

MOTION #104-23

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the Alberta Public Safety & Emergency Services Enhanced Policing Agreement be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY