

**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
JUNE 18, 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 7:00 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 INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY:

Mayor Muir read a recognition statement as follows:

Alberta Beach would like to recognize that June 21 marks National Indigenous Peoples Day, a day recognizing and celebrating the cultures and outstanding contributions of the First Nations, Inuit, and Metis Indigenous Peoples of Canada. We are pleased to acknowledge, honour and celebrate the First Peoples and their relatives.

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

- 5.a Closed Meeting Session – Beachwave Park Meeting on June 12, 2024 (moved to end of meeting)
- 14.t Government of Alberta – Watershed Resiliency & Restoration Program
- 15.e Alberta Beach Ag Society – Polynesian Days 2024 Sponsorship
- 15.f Alberta Municipal Affairs – Meeting Request with Minister McIver

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION #102-24

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 21, 2024:

MOTION #103-24

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on May 21, 2024 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: None.

OLD BUSINESS & CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL (FRI):

MOTION #104-24

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that further to the Regional Fire Services Model Partnership Changes and Impact Assessment, Council approves in principle the following:

- o that Alberta Beach continue with Fire Rescue International (FRI) after the March 7th, 2025 termination of the existing agreement;
- o that Alberta Beach continue with Fire Rescue International (FRI) commencing January 2026 for a 5 or 10 year term;
- o that Alberta Beach be designated as Managing Partner for the purpose of insurance, licensing, external agreements, and holding of accounts, and that Wildwillow Enterprises Inc. being designated Administrative Partner to Alberta Beach for the purpose of governance matters; and
- o that the firm of Patriot Law (Michelle Gallagher) be designated to prepare all required agreements and legal requirements moving forward.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACCEPTANCE OF CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

MOTION #105-24

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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FINANCIAL REPORTS: None.

BYLAWS & POLICIES:

GENERAL VILLAGE POLICY #G.2.9 COUNCIL REMUNERATION POLICY:

MOTION #106-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that General Village Policy #G.2.9 Council Remuneration Policy be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PERSONNEL POLICY #P.3.1 NOTIFICATION OF SALARY/PAY POLICY:

MOTION #107-24

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that Personnel Policy #P.3.1 Notification of Salary/Pay Policy be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PERSONNEL POLICY #P.4.4 BUSINESS EXPENSE POLICY:

MOTION #108-24

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Personnel Policy #P.4.4 Business Expense Policy be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & STAFF REPORTS:

DEPUTY MAYOR LOVE

Deputy Mayor Love reviewed and submitted report on the following meeting:
Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Committee meeting held on June 18, 2024.

COUNCILLOR WEBER:

Councillor Weber reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Community Futures Yellowhead East meeting held on May 22, 2024.
Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance meeting held on May 30, 2024.

COUNCILLOR DUROCHER:

Councillor Durocher reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Alberta Beach Ag Society Beachwave Park Operations Committee meeting held on June 12, 2024.
Alberta Beach & District Museum & Archives meeting held on June 12, 2024.

COUNCILLOR ELWOOD:

Councillor Elwood reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Alberta Beach Public Works Advisory Committee meeting held on June 4, 2024.
Alberta Beach Museum Bridge between Nations Project meeting held on June 4, 2024.
Joint Trivillage meeting & Water Distribution Feasibility Study meeting held on June 6, 2024.
Police Review Commission Community Stakeholder Engagements held on June 7 & 10, 2024.
West Inter-lake District (WILD) Water Commission meeting held on June 14, 2024.
Yellowhead Regional Library Board meeting held on June 17, 2024.

MAYOR MUIR

Mayor Muir reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Regional Municipalities meeting held on May 27, 2024.
FCSS Trivillage Committee meeting held on June 4, 2024.
Joint Trivillage meeting & Water Distribution Feasibility Study meeting held on June 6, 2024
Beachwave Park meeting held on June 12, 2024.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REPORT:

Administration submitted a report for information on the 2024 Development Permits issued to date.

ACCEPTANCE OF COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:

MOTION #109-24

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION ITEMS:

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY – THANK YOU:

A thank you card was received from the Alberta Beach & District Agricultural Society for the support of their annual fundraiser What Women Want.

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES – OVERVIEW OF AHS NEEDS & CONSIDERATIONS FOR EVACUATIONS:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Health Services to provide an overview of AHS needs & considerations for future evacuations of healthcare facilities due to wildfires.

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ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – LETTER FROM MINISTER MCIVER REGARDING BILL 20 HOUSE AMENDMENTS:

A letter and fact sheet was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs Minister McIver regarding the recent amendments to Bill 20: the Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 which was tabled on May 23, 2024 to further clarify the intent of the bill.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – 2024 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL FRAMEWORK ALLOCATIONS:

A letter was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs to confirm the 2024 Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) Capital & Operating allocations.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS NEWSLETTER:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs to share their first issue of their newsletter which aims to provide key updates and issues of interest with CAOs across the province.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – NOMINATE A MUNICIPAL PEER FOR AN AWARD:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the 2024 ABmunis Awards which recognizes leaders who have made extraordinary contributions to their communities.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – FEEDBACK REQUESTED ON ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities requesting feedback on Alberta Municipalities' services through an online survey.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – ALBERTA DAY 2024:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities on behalf of Alberta Culture regarding Alberta Day held on September 1st to celebrate who we are as Albertans and what we can achieve together and that the Government of Alberta is providing funding through Alberta Municipalities to celebrate Alberta Day.

ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA – ASVA'S 66TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

Correspondence was received from the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta regarding the ASVA's 66th Annual Conference being held on October 17-18, 2024 in Sherwood Park.

FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL – 2023 YEAREND STATS POWER POINT:

The 2023 Yearend Statistics Power Point presentation was received from Fire Rescue International.

FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL – HIGHWAY DUAL CALL OUT STATISTICS 2023:

The Highway Dual Callout Statistics 2023 Power Point presentation was received from Fire Rescue International.

FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL – NEW ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF:

Correspondence was received from Fire Rescue International to announce the appointment of Allan Wiess as their new Assistant Fire Chief.

FORTIS ALBERTA – FORTIS ALBERTA'S WILDFIRE RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES:

Correspondence was received from Fortis Alberta regarding Fortis Alberta's wildfire risk management strategies.

HON. GERALD SOROKA, MP YELLOWHEAD – FEDERAL FUNDING TO HELP MUNICIPALITIES ADAPT TO CLIMATE CHANGE:

Correspondence was received from Hon. Gerald Soroka, MP Yellowhead regarding federal funding to help municipalities adapt to climate change.

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – DECISION REFERRAL SUBDIVISION APPLICATION 008SUB2024:

Correspondence was received from Lac Ste. Anne County to provide notification of approval on subdivision application #008SUB2024 on NE 35-54-03-W5M.

SUMMER VILLAGE OF CASTLE ISLAND – FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL MOTION:

Correspondence was received from the Summer Village of Castle Island to advise on their Council motions to approve in principle to continue with Fire Rescue International after the March 7th, 2025 termination of existing agreement at costs as referenced in the Regional Fire Services Model Partnership changes and impact assessment; to continue with FRI commencing January 2026 for a 5-10 year term; to approve the managing partner; and approve Patriot Law for all legal requirements.

WILD WATER COMMISSION – WILD WATER COMMISSION EVENTS IN JUNE 2024:

Correspondence was received from WILD Water Commission regarding upcoming events and member engagements for the 2024 Business Plan and the Truck Fill Dedication Ceremony being held on June 26th.

YELLOWHEAD REGIONAL LIBRARY – STRONGER TOGETHER LIBRARY CONFERENCE:

Correspondence was received from Yellowhead Regional Library regarding the Stronger Together Library Conference being held on October 3-4, 2024 in Edmonton.

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ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – UPDATE ON CANADA COMMUNITY BUILDING FUND (CCBF) RENEWAL AGREEMENT:

A letter was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs to provide an update that they are in active negotiations with the Government of Canada on a 10 year renewal agreement for the Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) 2024-2034.

GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA – WATERSHED RESILIENCY & RESTORATION PROGRAM:

Correspondence was received from the Government of Alberta regarding the Watershed Resiliency & Restoration Program (WRRP) 2024-2025.

ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION #110-24

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

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY – LETTER OF PERMISSION FOR AGLIPLIX RENOVATIONS:

MOTION #111-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that a letter of permission for the Alberta Beach & District Agricultural Society be approved for the Agliplex renovations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT 50 PLUS CLUB – 2024 25TH ANNUAL ALBERTA BEACH SHOW & SHINE:

MOTION #112-24

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that Council approves to sponsor a plaque in the amount of \$40.00 as well as a donation of promotional products to the Alberta Beach & District 50 Plus Club for the 2024 Alberta Beach Show & Shine.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL FRAMEWORK MEMORANDUMS OF AGREEMENTS:

MOTION #113-24

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the Alberta Municipal Affairs Local Government Fiscal Framework LGFF Capital and LGFF Operating Memorandums of Agreements be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUMMER VILLAGE OF VAL QUENTIN – TRAFFIC CALMING – REQUEST FOR STOP SIGN ON 50TH AVENUE AT 60 STREET:

MOTION #114-24

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the Summer Village of Val Quentin request for a stop sign to be installed on 50th Avenue (Ste. Anne Trail) at 60 Street be approved on a one year trial.

CARRIED

ALBERTA BEACH AG SOCIETY – 2024 POLYNESIAN DAYS SPONSORSHIP:

MOTION #115-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Council approves to purchase a gold sponsorship package in the amount of \$1,250.00 from the Alberta Beach Ag Society for Polynesian Days 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – MEETING REQUEST WITH MINISTER MCIVER:

MOTION #116-24

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Council approves to request a meeting with Minister McIver at the Alberta Municipalities Convention and further that the topics include fire & EMS services along provincial highways.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

REQUEST FOR DECISION – COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE:

MOTION #117-24

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that a 3% cost of living allowance be approved and further that the increase be retroactive to January 1, 2024.

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REQUEST FOR DECISION – AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

MOTION #118-24

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that the Council committee appointment be amended for the Water Distribution Feasibility Study Steering Committee from Mayor Muir and Councillor Elwood to Mayor Muir and Deputy Mayor Love and further that Councillor Durocher remain the Alternate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REQUEST FOR DECISION – MEETING CANCELLATIONS:

MOTION 119-24

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the Round Table meeting scheduled for July 9, 2024 and the Regular Council meeting scheduled for July 16, 2024 be cancelled.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

QUESTION PERIOD:

A brief discussion was held on the following topics: the Boat Launch Project, the installation of a stop sign and electronic speed signs.

CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED MEETING SESSION:

Section 197(2) of the MGA & Section 23 of the FOIP Act

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING:

MOTION #120-24

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that as per Section 197(2) of the MGA and Division 2, Part 1, Section 23 of the FOIP Act (Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act) the meeting be closed to the public at 8:01 p.m. to discuss agenda item #5.a Beachwave Park Meeting of June 12, 2024.

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 TO RE-OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

MOTION #121-24

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that Council move to come out of closed meeting at 8:18 P.M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 P.M.

Mayor – Kelly Muir

C.A.O. – Kathy Skwarchuk