



**Town of Bowden – Regular Council Meeting
held on Monday March 13, 2023
at Town of Bowden Council Chambers.**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robb Stuart called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

PRESENT

Mayor	Robb Stuart	(Chair)
Councillor	Deb Coombes	
Councillor	Paul Webb	
Councillor	Sandy Gamble	
Councillor	Randy Brown	
Councillor	Marie Flowers	
Councillor	Wayne Milaney	

STAFF

CAO	Rudy Friesen
Recorder	Arno Glover

2. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA & ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion 2.a

Moved by Councillor Randy Brown that Council adopts the agenda, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion 3.a.

Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes that Council adopts the February 24, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion 4.a.

Moved by Councillor Randy Brown that Council adopts the February 27, 2023, Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings.

6. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 7.a Bowden Hotel

There was no update on this matter.

Agenda item 7.b Alberta Municipalities – Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus

CAO Rudy Friesen stated that Mayor Robb Stuart and himself were registered for the caucus. It was restated that as per motion 8.a of the RCM of 13 February up to two Councillors may attend this caucus.

Councillors have until Friday 17th March to submit their intentions to the CAO.

There was no motion made regarding agenda item 7.b

Agenda item 7.c RCMP Municipal Policing Priorities for 2023

Reference the letter dated January 31, 2023, received from S/Sgt Warren Wright, Council are to provide the RCMP with the policing priorities for 2023 / 2024.

Council reviewed and discussed the options submitted by S/Sgt Warren Wright.

Motion 7.a.

Moved by Councillor Randy Brown that the policing priorities for 2023 / 2024 are as follows:

1 Police Visibility, 2 Crime Reduction, 3 Traffic Safety.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda item 7.d Council Open House

Council discussed and set a date and venue for a Council Open House event.

Motion 7.b.

Moved by Councillor Wayne Milaney that the 2023 Council Open House is to take place on Thursday April 13, 2023 at 7:00pm at the Bowden Event Centre (formerly Bowden Friendship Centre).

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. NEW BUSINESS

Agenda item 8.a Reports in Council Agendas

Council reviewed and discussed the matter of how reports received from societies and organizations (that are not Council Committee Reports) should be presented during Council meetings. The concern was whether the content of these reports should be made public by the Town.

Council instructed Administration to implement a revised procedure regarding the submission of reports to Council.

There was no motion made regarding agenda item 8.a.

Agenda item 8.b Red Deer Regional Emergency Management Partnership Agreement

Administration provided Council with a copy of the Red Deer Regional Emergency Management Partnership Agreement.

The partnership allows members to streamline emergency resources through a coordinated emergency response plan. In addition, it allows members to collaborate on training programs and exercises so strengthening all of the municipalities' emergency preparedness and response abilities.

Motion 8.a by Councillor Paul Webb that Council approves membership of the Red Deer Regional Emergency Management Partnership and thereby instructs Mayor Robb Stuart and the CAO to formalize the arrangement through signature on the partnership agreement.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Agenda item 9.a Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw 03 / 2023

Administration submitted a revised emergency management bylaw to encompass the Red Deer Regional Emergency Management Partnership Agreement.

Motion 9.a by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council give first reading to Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw 03 / 2023.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 9.b by Councillor Deb Coombes that Council give second reading to Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw 03 / 2023

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 9.c by Councillor Paul Webb that Council unanimously give consideration to a third reading of Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw 03 / 2023.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 9.d by Councillor Deb Coombes that Council give third and final reading to Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw 03 / 2023.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw 03 / 2023 received third reading of Council and was passed accordingly.

9. FINANCIAL

There was no item submitted.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no item submitted.

11. REPORTS

Agenda item 12.a CAO's Report

CAO Rudy Friesen submitted his report to Council.

Agenda item 12.b Council Committee Reports

No reports submitted.

Agenda item 12.c Society & Other Reports

No reports submitted.

Motion 12.a. Moved by Councillor Randy Brown that Council accepts the submitted report as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL ("in camera")

Agenda Item 13.a (Planning & Development)

Section 197(4) of the MGA applies: Exception to disclose under Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA2000, Chapter F-25 (as amended over time) on the basis of: Section 27 "is deemed to be privileged information".

Motion 13.a Moved by Councillor Paul Webb at 7:58pm that Council moves to an "in-camera" session.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 13.b Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes at 8:37pm that Council return to an "open meeting" of Council.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

There was no motion made regarding agenda item 13.a.

14. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion 14.a Moved by Councillor Marie Flowers at 8:39pm to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes signed by:



**Mayor
Robb Stuart**



**CAO
Rudy Friesen**