

Town of Bowden – Regular Council Meeting held on Monday 13 May 2024 at Town of Bowden Council Chambers.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robb Stuart called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PRESENT

Mayor

Robb Stuart

(Chair)

Councillor

Paul Webb

Councillor Councillor **Deb Coombes** Wayne Milaney

Councillor

Marie Flowers

Councillor

Sandy Gamble

ADMINISTRATION CAO

Rudy Friesen

ABSENT

Councillor

Randy Brown

Recorder

Arno Glover

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

Moved by Councillor Marie Flowers that Council adopts the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion 3.a.

Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council adopts the minutes as presented for the Regular Council Meeting of April 22nd, 2024.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

5. DELEGATION

There was no delegation.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 6.a Bowden Hotel

There was no further update on matters regarding the Bowden Hotel.

Agenda item 6.b Alberta Municipalities Distinguished Service Awards Motion 6.a

Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes that Council approves the applications for Alberta Municipalities Distinguished Service Award for Mayor Robb Stuart, Councillor Paul Webb, and Councillor Wayne Milaney

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item 6.c Key Dates

Administration provided Council with upcoming key dates. There was no motion made.

7. BYLAWS & POLICIES

Agenda Item 7.a Fire Bylaw 03 / 2024

Motion 7.a

Moved by Councillor Marie Flowers that Council gives first reading to Fire Bylaw 03 / 24 with the amendment that all first offenses, as identified in Section A5 Specific Penalties, be charged at a rate of \$500.00.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item 7.b Tax Rate Bylaw 04 / 2024

Motion 7.b (1)

Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council gives first reading to Taxation Rate Bylaw 04 / 2024

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 7.b (2)

Moved by Councillor Marie Flowers that Council gives second reading to Taxation Bylaw 04 / 2024

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 7.b (3)

Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council give consideration to a third and final reading of Taxation Bylaw 04 / 2024

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 7.b (4)

Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council gives third reading to Taxation Rate Bylaw 04 / 2024.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Taxation Rate Bylaw 04 / 2024 received third reading of Council and is passed accordingly.

Agenda Item 7.c Accounting & Financial Controls Policy 02 / 2024

Administration provided Council with the Accounting & Financial Controls Policy 02 / 2024.

There was some discussion regarding items within the Policy that may require Council approval. This will be further considered at a future meeting.

Motion 7.c

Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes that Council receives as information Accounting & Financial Controls Policy 02 / 2024.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. NEW BUSINESS

Agenda item 8.a Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendments – Bill 20

Administration provided Council with content regarding proposed changes to Alberta Bill 20, regarding Municipal Affairs Statutes.

Motion 8.a

Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes that Town of Bowden send a letter to the Premier recommending Government Rescind Bill 20, the Municipal Affairs Statutes Act, due to extensive concerns raised by municipal leader across the Province, including the Town of Bowden Council, and that the Government of Alberta engage municipal governments through a collaborative trust based consultation process to update the Local Authorities Election Act and Municipal Government Act to assist municipal governments to effective govern in the interests of their residents and deliver on

future needs of each Community in Alberta, and furthermore, that this communication be copied to MLA Devin Dreeshen and Municipal Affairs Minister Rick McIver.

MOTION CARRIED

Agenda item 8.b Provincial Priorities Act – Bill 18 **Motion 8.b**

Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council accepts this item as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item 8.c CAEP Dinner and Meet

Motion 8.c

Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council receives the communication as information, and further, that Council directs Administration to purchase a table of eight (8) for the May 23rd event.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. FINANCIAL

Agenda item 9.a Operating Income and Expenditure Report YTD 2024

Administration presented the year-to-date financial operating report to Council.

Motion 9.a

Moved by Councillor Marie Flowers that Council accepts the Operating Income and Expenditure Report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Agenda item 10.a Red Deer County Protective Services March / April Enforcement Contracts.

Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes that Council accepts the submitted items of correspondence as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. REPORTS

Agenda item 11.a CAO's Report

CAO Rudy Friesen provided Council with an overview of the items included within the CAO's report.

Motion 11.a

Moved by Councillor Wayne Milaney that Council accepts the submitted CAO report as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda item 11.b Council Committee Reports

There were no Council Committee reports.

Agenda item 11.c Society & Other Reports

- Mountainview Regional Water Services Commission (AGM Report) i.
- Mountainview Regional Water Services Commission (Regular Meeting Report) ii.

An exception to disclose under Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA2000, Chapter F-25 applies on the basis of: Section 27 "deemed to be privileged information".

Motion 11.b

Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes to go into closed session of Council at 8:43 pm.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 11.c

Moved by Councillor Deb Coombes for Council to come out of closed session at 8:57 pm.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

There was no motion made on agenda items 11.c (i) and 11.c (ii).

- iii. Bowden Grandview School (meeting of April 23, 2024)
- iv. Red Deer & District FCSS Board (report of April May 2024)
- v. Parkland Foundation (CAO Report and Business Plan)
- vi. Central Alberta Regional Waste Management Commission (Finance Report)
- vii. Expanding Horizons Society (Annual General Meeting of April 18, 2024)
- viii. Bowden Friendship Club (Annual General Meeting of March 21, 2024

Note: All meeting minutes should be assumed to be "unapproved".

Motion 11.d

Moved by Councillor Marie Flowers that Council accepts the submitted Society and Other Reports as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion 12.a

Moved by Councillor Marie Flowers at 9:10pm to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes signed by:

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Mayor Robb Stuart CAO Rudy Friesen