

Minutes of the Town of Milk River Regular and Closed Council meeting held on Monday, May 9, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, in the Town Hall Complex, at 240 Main Street, Milk River, Alberta.

**Present - Elected Officials**

Mayor Larry Liebelt, Councillor Shayne Johnson, Councillor Anne Michaelis, Councillor Peggy Losey and Councillor Dave Degenstein (via zoom)

**Absent - Elected Officials**

None

**Present - Administration**

Kelly Lloyd, Chief Administrative Officer

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Liebelt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. Delegations 6:00 pm**

**A) Milk River Municipal Library**

Not in attendance.

**B) Shane Ainscough: Iron Order Motorcycle Club**

Shane Ainscough, James Hamilton and Edward Bushie from the Sinister Seven Charter of the Iron Order were in attendance to speak to events they will hold in Milk River during the Canada Day weekend. Activities held during this weekend, and the money raised from these activities, will be donated to the school. Activities include a pancake breakfast, bike rodeo, and entertainment on Saturday night. They will also have a 50/50 draw for the Butlers throughout the two days. Activities will be centered around the Civic Centre and the school football field. Permission to camp on the field has been given by the school, expecting approximately 70 to 100 members.

**C) Kim Balog**

A proposal has been received to purchase the property at Lot 6, Block 6, Plan 2227Y, for \$1.00 and in turn, the new owner would cover the cost of all demolition of the current building and erect a new café and gift shop.

**D) Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission**

Kurtis Pratt with Ridge Regional Public Safety Services was in attendance to provide an update on the CPO's and further information regarding the proposed one year trial for an additional officer. The intent in hiring an additional officer is to find ways to decrease requisitions to member organizations. Proposed to have fourth officer as a one year trial, no extra capital costs and the position would provide a higher level of traffic enforcement. Mr. Pratt also noted that the MD of Taber, Barnwell and Vauxhall may join the commission.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, "that Council accept the Ridge Regional Public Safety Services presentation as information, and further to support the proposed one-year trial for an additional Officer."

Motion Carried 2022-05-01

**E) RCMP**

Not in attendance.

### **3. Additions to the Agenda**

Additions:

- 10F) Kim Balog Purchase Proposal
- 10G) Dandelion Renewables
- 10H) Special Meeting
- 13) MPE Engineering

Moved by Councillor Losey, "that Council accept the agenda, as amended, for the regular council meeting on May 9, 2022."

Motion Carried 2022-05-02

### **4. Approval of Minutes**

- A) Minutes of the April 11, 2022, Council Meeting

Delete motion 2022-04-23 from the April 11, 2022, regular council meeting minutes.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, "that Council accept the regular council meeting minutes from Monday, April 11, 2022, as amended."

Motion Carried 2022-05-03

### **5. Business Arising from Minutes**

An update on the Public Works Week open house event was provided.

### **6. Financial Reports**

- a. Check Listing
- b. Accounts Payable/Bank Reconciliation
- c. Cash and Investments Report

Moved by Councillor Johnson, "that the Financial Report for the period ending April 30, 2022, be accepted as information."

Motion Carried 2022-05-04

### **7. Administration Reports**

- a. Public Works
- b. Community Peace Officer
- c. Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by Deputy Mayor Losey, "that the Administration Reports for the period ending April 30, 2022, be accepted as information."

Motion Carried 2022-05-05

### **8. Bylaws**

### **9. Old Business**

*Councillor Degenstein left the meeting at 6:57 p.m.*

*Councillor Degenstein rejoined the meeting at 6:58 p.m.*

Moved by Councillor Michaelis, "that the correspondence, under item 9, Old Business, for the period ending May 9, 2022, be accepted as information."

Motion Carried 2022-05-06

*Mayor Liebelt recessed the meeting at 6:59 p.m.*

*Mayor Liebelt reconvened the meeting at 7:07 p.m.*

## **10. New Business**

### **A) Chief Administrative Officer Signing Authority**

Moved by Councillor Losey, "that the Chief Administrative Officer, Kelly Lloyd, be given signing authority, and further, to remove the previous CAO signing authority for Jon Hood."

Motion Carried 2022-05-07

### **B) Milk River Cemetery Company**

Moved by Councillor Degenstein, "to grant the Milk River Cemetery Company's request to utilize the Town's compressor, each fall, to blow out the company's water lines."

Motion Carried 2022-05-08

### **C) National Accessibility Week Proclamation**

### **D) Economic Development Week Proclamation**

### **E) World Ocean Day Proclamation**

Moved by Councillor Johnson, "that Council accept the National Accessibility Week, Economic Development Week and World Ocean Day proclamations as information."

Motion Carried 2022-05-09

### **F) Kim Balog Purchase Proposal**

Moved by Councillor Degenstein, "that Council accept the Ms. Balog's proposal, in principle, to purchase Lot 6, Block 6, Plan 2227Y for \$1.00, with conditions on timelines for development, demolition and construction (specifically the intent to widen the sidewalk from the south side of the Town Hall Complex to the corner).

Motion Carried 2022-05-10

### **G) Dandelion Renewables**

Moved by Councillor Michaelis, "that Council approve payment of invoice 2539 to Dandelion Renewables in the amount of \$12,600.00."

Motion Carried 2022-05-11

### **H) Special Meeting**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Losey, "that Council schedule a Special Meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the 2021 audited financial statements and review the 2022 Operating Budget and Tax Bylaw."

Motion Carried 2022-05-12

## **11. Councillors Reports**

Deputy Mayor Losey has become the chair for Ridge Country Housing.

Councillor Degenstein attended Ridge Country Housing and FCSS meetings.

Moved by Councillor Degenstein, "that in support of Seniors Week, June 6-12, 2022, Council supply donuts and coffee to seniors at Heritage Hall on June 8."

Motion Carried 2022-05-13



Councillor Michaelis provided an update on the Quad Health Committee and attended the Chinook Arch Library conference.

Councillor Johnson attended the Heritage Handi-Bus meeting, where the committee expressed interest in installing a dedicated EV charging pedestal at the school. Councillor Johnson also noted the Ag Society will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and will be hosting events the July 16<sup>th</sup> weekend.

## 12. Mayors Report

Mayor Liebelt attended the Mayors and Reeves meeting, the Cemetery Board AGM and completed an informal evaluation on the CAO at the one month mark.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, "that Council accept the Councillors and Mayors Reports for the period ending May 9, 2022, as information."

Motion Carried 2022-05-14

## 13. Closed Session

Moved by Councillor Losey, "that Council move into closed session in accordance with Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act at 8:10 p.m., to discuss matters exempt from disclosure under FOIP Section 16: Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party, with CAO Lloyd to remain in attendance."

Motion Carried 2022-05-15

Moved by Councillor Johnson, "that the meeting reconvene to the regular Council meeting at 8:17 p.m."

Motion Carried 2022-05-16

## Rise and Report

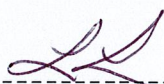
Moved by Deputy Mayor Losey, "that Council accept MPE's recommendation to reward Jenex Contracting Ltd. for the Main Street Water Main Replacement Project."

Motion Carried 2022-05-17

## 13. Adjournment

Moved by Deputy Mayor Losey, "that the Regular Council meeting of May 9, 2022, adjourn at 8:19 p.m."

Motion Carried 2022-05-18

  
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Larry Liebelt  
Mayor

  
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Kelly Lloyd  
Chief Administrative Officer

These minutes were approved on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022.