



Meeting Notes of the Town of Didsbury
Regular Council Meeting
May 12, 2020

The regular meeting of Council for the municipality of the Town of Didsbury was held electronically through "ZOOM Meeting" Tuesday, May 12, 2020 commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor R. Hunter
Deputy Mayor D. Moore
Councillor J. Baswick
Councillor M. Crothers,
Councillor C. Engel,
Councillor E. Poggemiller,
Councillor B. Windsor,

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer - E. Gorner
Assistant CAO/Chief Financial Officer- A. Riley
Manager of Finance - M. Moreau
Manager of Public Works – C. Fox
Manager of Legislative Services/Recording Officer - L. Smith

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hunter called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. 146-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Res. 147-20 MOVED by Councillor Engel to approve the April 28, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

Carried

DELEGATION

Res. 148-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to accept the RCMP presentation as information.

Carried

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Electronic Communication (Taxes) Bylaw 2020-07

Res. 149-20 MOVED by Councillor Engel to grant second reading to Bylaw 2020-07 a bylaw to establish a process for sending Assessment Notices, Tax Notices, Assessment Review Board Notices and other notices, documents and information by electronic means.

Carried

Economic Development Advisory Committee Bylaw 2020-05

- Res. 150-20 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to grant third and final reading to Bylaw 2020-05, a bylaw to establish a Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee as amended with recommendations from the Policy and Priorities Committee.

Carried

2020 Tax Rate Bylaw 2020-08

- Res. 151-20 MOVED by Councillor Baswick to grant second reading to Bylaw 2020-08 a bylaw to establish the rates and penalties for the 2020 Taxation Year.

Carried

Amending Bylaw 2020-09 for Rate & Fee Bylaw 2019-15

- Res. 152-20 MOVED by Councillor Moore to grant first reading to Bylaw 2020-09 a bylaw to amend the current Rate and Fee Bylaw 2019-15 by removing all tax penalty fees listed in Schedule "A" Administrative Fees.

Carried

BUSINESS

ICC Terms of Reference

- Res. 153-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to approve the Intermunicipal Cooperation Committee Terms of Reference as presented.

Carried

Appointment of Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee

- Res. 154-20 MOVED by Councillor Engel to appoint the following individuals to the Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee for a term of 2 years ending at the Organizational Meeting in 2022.

Helen Hafke, Gord Leeson, Meaghan Neis, Jan Lukes, Mike Crampton, Shelly Daly and Lance Plewis.

Carried

- Res. 155-20 MOVED by Councillor Moore to appoint the following Council members to the Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee for a term ending at the Organizational Meeting in 2021:

1. Councillor Crothers
2. Councillor Poggemiller

Carried

Approval of 2020 Operating Budget

- Res. 156-20 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to approve the total operating budget in the amount of \$11,523,862. The total 2020 proposed tax revenue requirement is \$4,676,174, which is a 3.3% decrease from the prior year.

Carried

Film & Television Tax Credit Program (Keep Alberta Rolling)

- Res. 157-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to accept the letter from Mayor Hunter on Keep Alberta Rolling as information, and that the letter be forwarded to affected municipalities to encourage endorsement of the letter and forward their own letter to their MLA at the appropriate time.

Carried

Policing Priorities

- Res. 158-20 MOVED by Councillor Baswick to set the following Policing Priorities for 2020-2021:
1. Increased focus on late evening and early morning patrols.
 2. Increase in traffic enforcement, particularly speeding.
 3. Focus on correcting poor driving habits.

Carried

Sub-Class Ad Hoc Committee

- Res. 159-20 MOVED by Councillor Engel that the Subclass Committee be repurposed to explore development incentives and that the Ad Hoc Committee be renamed the Development Incentive Committee with the members being Mayor Hunter, Councillor Moore and Councillor Poggemiller.

Carried

Tax Incentives

- Res. 160-20 MOVED by Councillor Windsor that an early Tax Payment Incentive Program is not required and accept the update report as information only.

Carried

REPORTS

Chief Administrative Officer Report

- Res. 161-20 MOVED by Councillor Engel to accept the CAO report for May 12, 2020 as information.

Carried

Council Reports (Verbal)

- Res. 162-20 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to accept the Verbal Council Reports for May 12, 2020 as information.

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION

- Res. 163-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to accept as information the correspondence received from:
- Rajan Sawhney Minister of Community & Children's Services – Temporary Relaxation of FCSS Funding requirements; and
 - Intermunicipal Collaboration Recreation and Culture Funding Re-Allocation.

Carried

- Res. 164-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers that a letter of appreciation be sent to Reeve Beattie of Mountain View County for their kind and considerate offer.

Carried

EMAIL QUESTIONS - None

CLOSED MEETING

Res. 165-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to go into Closed Meeting at 7: 19 p.m.

Carried

The following including Council were in attendance for the closed meeting session:

Staff: Ethan Gerner, Chief Administrative Officer
 Amanda Riley, Chief Financial Officer

Topic of Closed Meeting

Advice from Officials, sec. 24(1) (g) of the *FOIPP Act*

RECONVENE

Res. 166-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to reconvene from Closed Meeting to Open Meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Carried

Res. 167-20 MOVED by Councillor Moore to direct Administration to move forward with developing a plan for the Library renovation and expansion.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Res. 168-20 MOVED by Councillor Crothers that the meeting adjourn at 8:34 p.m.

Carried



Mayor - Rhonda Hunter



Chief Administrative Officer - Ethan Gerner