



Meeting Minutes of the Town of Didsbury
Regular Council Meeting
February 9, 2021
Held through ZOOM Meeting

The regular meeting of Council for the municipality of the Town of Didsbury was held through ZOOM Meetings on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 commencing at 6:02 p.m.

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

Regrets Councillor J. Baswick

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer - E. Gorner
Assistant CAO/Chief Financial Officer - A. Riley
Manager of Community Services – N. Aasen
Manager of Public Works & Infrastructure – C. Fox
Manager of Legislative Services/Recording Officer - L. Smith

CALL TO ORDERM

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Add: 7.10 - Request for Delegation Mountain View Freedom Emergency Meeting
Res. 047-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to approve the agenda as amended.

Carried

DELEGATION

Didsbury Curling Club – Dave Fife

Presentation from Didsbury Curling Club on the effects COVID-19 has had on the club.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Correction to minutes Res. 037-21 correct spelling of Skate Park Society should be “Sk&park”.

Res. 048-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to approve the January 26, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as amended.

Carried

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Procedural Bylaw 2020-12

Res. 049-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to grant third and final reading to Procedural Bylaw 2020-12.

Carried


Initial

Emergency Management Bylaw 2020-06

Res. 050-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to grant second reading to Emergency Management Bylaw 2020-06 and that it be referred to committee.

Carried

Development Incentives Bylaw 2021-01

Res. 051-21 MOVED by Councillor Poggemiller to grant second reading to Development Incentive Bylaw 2021-01 and that it be referred to committee.

Carried

BUSINESS

Council Compensation Committee Appointment

Res. 052-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to appoint Brad Blatz, Gail Nowlan and Brian Wittal to the Council Compensation Committee.

Carried

FCSS Funding Recommendations for 2021

Name of Organization	Amount Recommended
CESD – Family School Wellness	\$15,840
CESD – Youth Empowerment and Support	\$8,500
Didsbury Preschool Society, Preschool Program	\$6,900
Didsbury Municipal Library – Teen Advisory Council	\$2,770
Mountain View Emergency Shelter, Programs	\$2,900
Olds & District Hospice Society	\$1,500
Town of Didsbury, Didsbury Out of School Care Association	\$13,609
Totals	\$52,019

Res. 053-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to approve the 2021 FCSS funding recommendations as presented in the amount of \$52,019.

Carried

2021 Capital Budget

Res. 054-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to approve the amended 2021 Capital Budget to include the following projects funded as presented:

- Street lighting continuity (20th Street – south end) \$120,000
- Community information signage project \$ 70,000
- Southridge Sewage Lift Station Emergency Backup Generator \$ 28,000

Totaling \$218,000; and that the determination of proposed locations for the 2nd sign for the Community Information Signage project be referred to Committee.

Carried

Didsbury Curling Club Financial Relief

Res. 055-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to refer this item to the Strategic Planning Committee for their examination and bring back a recommendation to Council.

Carried


Initials

Appointment to Mayors of South Central Alberta

- Res. 056-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to appoint Mayor Rhonda Hunter to the Mayors of South Central Alberta Committee until the Organizational Meeting in 2021.

Carried

Design Decision – 20th Street Stormwater Drainage & Surface

- Res. 057-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to approve Option 2 and install parallel parking inclusive of a full mill and overlay from 15th Avenue to the construction boundary just north of 17th Avenue in Didsbury.

Carried

Need for Stronger Western Canadian Municipal Advocate

- Res. 058-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to approve a letter be sent from Mayor Hunter on behalf of Council regarding the need for a stronger Western Canadian Municipal Advocate.

Carried

Letter of Appreciation of Military Service Request

- Res. 059-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to approve a letter from Mayor Hunter on behalf of Council for Capt. Hickling for his serving 30 years of active service as a Cadet Instructor Cadre (CIC) Officer with Cadet Organizations Administration and Training Service (COATS).

Carried

Town Hall Meetings

- Res. 060-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to approve two (2) Town Halls be scheduled, one for volunteer organizations on February 24, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. and one for local businesses that would be jointly hosted with the Didsbury & District Chamber of Commerce dates and times to be determined.

Carried

Delegation Request – Mountain View Freedom

- Res. 061-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor that the delegation request be deferred to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Carried

REPORTS

COVID-19 Update

- Res. 062-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to accept the COVID-19 update for February 9, 2021 and the COVID Update on Recreation from Community Services as information.

Carried

- Res. 063-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to accept the CAO's update on the rally held on January 31, 2021 as information.

Carried

Chief Administrative Officer Report

- Res. 064-21 MOVED by Councillor Windsor to accept the Chief Administrative Officer's report for February 9, 2021 as information.

Carried


Initials

Res. 065-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Poggemiller to accept the Project Summary on the Library Facility Expansion as information.

Carried

Council Reports

Res. 066-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to accept the Council reports for February 9, 2021 as information.

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION

- Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Notes – January 20, 2021
- Policy & Governance Committee Meeting Notes – January 20 and 27, 2021
- MD of Spirit River, Reeve Tony Van Roostelaar – COVID-19 Restrictions

Res. 067-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to accept the items presented as information.

Carried

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Council deemed the following items be highlighted from the February 9, 2021 Regular Council Meeting:

- Cutting of red tape in the new Procedures Bylaw and the 2nd Reading of Development Incentives Bylaw.
- 20th St. Stormwater surface and drainage improvement
- Working hard on committees and working well
- Opening of businesses and appreciate support from the community and hope province continues to support
- Setting of Town Hall meeting with organizations on February 24th
- Appreciate moving forward on Town Hall Meetings and with the business
- Recognition of Captain Hickling for serving 30 years in Canadian Armed Forces Reserves and 3025 Didsbury Cadets for 6 years.

QUESTION PERIOD

Public Gallery –One email received and deferred to Administration

Press Gallery – No questions

CLOSED MEETING

Res. 068-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to go into Closed Meeting at 8:20 p.m.

The following staff attended the closed meeting session with Council:

Staff: Ethan Gorner, Chief Administrative Officer
 Amanda Riley, ACAO/Chief Financial Officer
 Luana Smith, Manager of Legislative Services

Topics of Closed Meeting in accordance with the FOIP Act.

Sec.23, 24 (Local body confidences; advice from officials)
Sec. 23, 27 (local body confidences, legal privilege)


Initials

RECONVENE

Res. 069-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to come out of closed meeting at 8:59 p.m.

Carried

Deputy Mayor Poggemiller requested a recorded vote

Res. 070-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to rescind motion 281-20.

Mayor Hunter - For
Deputy Poggemiller - Opposed
Councillor Crothers - For
Councillor Engel - For
Councillor Moore - Opposed
Councillor Windsor - For

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Res. 071-21 MOVED by Councillor Crothers to adjourn the meeting 9:01 p.m.

Carried



Mayor - Rhonda Hunter



Chief Administrative Officer - Ethan Gorner

