

# Minutes of the Town of Didsbury Regular Council Meeting Held on October 10, 2023 in Council Chambers at 1606-14 Street Commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present Deputy Mayor Curt Engel

Councillor John Baswick

Councillor Joyce McCoy – via Mobile Phone

Councillor Dorothy Moore Councillor Ethan Williams Councillor Bill Windsor

Council Member(s) Absent Mayor Rhonda Hunter

Administration Present Chief Administrative Officer, Ethan Gorner

ACAO/Chief Financial Officer, Amanda Riley

Director of Engineering & Infrastructure, Craig Fox

Municipal Intern, Jocelyn Baxter

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Engel called the October 10, 2023 Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Res. 438-23

**MOVED by Councillor Moore** 

To adopt the October 10, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

**Motion Carried** 

# 3. **DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS** – no delegations or presentations

# 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

# 4.1 September 25, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Res. 439-23

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To adopt the September 25, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

**Motion Carried** 

#### 5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** – no public hearings

# 6. REPORTS

#### 6.1 Council Reports for October 10, 2023

Res. 440-23

**MOVED by Councillor Williams** 

To accept the Council Reports for October 10, 2023 as information.

**Motion Carried** 

Res. 441-23

**MOVED** by Councillor Windsor

To support the Red Deer River Municipal Users Group's engagement with the Minister of Agriculture in their advocacy for funding towards a feasibility study for in-line storage.

**Motion Carried** 

Res. 442-23

**MOVED by Councillor Moore** 

To support Councillor Windsor's advocacy with the Red Deer River Municipal Users Group for water feasibility study funding.

**Motion Carried** 

# 6.2 Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Report October 10, 2023

Res. 443-23

**MOVED by Councillor Moore** 

To explore the feasibility of expanding the scope of work to include an additional week of green bin pick up in autumn of 2023 and bring back a recommendation to Council.

**Motion Carried** 

Res. 444-23

**MOVED by Councillor Windsor** 

To accept the Chief Administrative Officer's Report for October 10, 2023 as information.

**Motion Carried** 

#### 7. BYLAWS & POLICIES

# 7.1 Heavy Vehicle Truck Route Bylaw 2022-11 (Second Reading) / Temporary Heavy Truck Ban Res. 445-23

**MOVED by Councillor Williams** 

That Council grant second reading to Heavy Vehicle Truck Route Bylaw 2022-11, and refer it to the Policy and Governance Committee for review and recommendation.

**Motion Carried** 

Res. 446-23

**MOVED by Councillor Williams** 

That Council accept the update on temporary road bans as information.

**Motion Carried** 

#### 8. BUSINESS

#### 8.1 DEDAC EDA Conference Attendance 2024

Res. 447-23

**MOVED by Councillor Williams** 

To approve a 2024 budget expenditure of \$1,390 plus travel and accommodation, for two DEDAC members, to attend the EDA Xperience 2024 Leaders' Summit & Conference in Kananaskis, to be funded from the DEDAC budget in Economic Development.

**Motion Carried** 

# 8.2 Asset Management Strategy

Res. 448-23

**MOVED by Councillor Moore** 

That Council approve the Asset Management Strategy as presented.

**Motion Carried** 

#### 8.3 2024 Franchise Fees

Res. 449-23

**MOVED by Councillor Moore** 

To maintain the Franchise Fee Rates for ATCO Gas at 25% and Fortis Alberta at 17% for 2024.

**Motion Carried** 

# 8.4 Setting of 2024 Budget Meeting

Res. 450-23

**MOVED by Councillor Williams** 

To set Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. as the 2024 Operating and Capital Budget Meeting.

**Motion Carried** 

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#### 8.5 2023 Write-off Uncollectible Account

Res. 451-23

**MOVED** by Councillor Windsor

To authorize the write-off of the outstanding tax receivable balance for Roll #1398000 totaling \$6,173.62.

**Motion Carried** 

# 9. CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION

- Thank you from various Ministers
- Thank you card from MVSH

Res. 452-23

**MOVED by Councillor Moore** 

To accept the correspondence items presented as information.

**Motion Carried** 

# 10. COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Asset Management Strategy
- CAO Report Water Loss
- Heavy Vehicle Truck Bylaw
- Setting of the 2024 Budget Meeting
- DEDAC EDA Conference Attendance 2024

# 11. QUESTION PERIOD

# 12. CLOSED MEETING

Res. 453-23

**MOVED by Councillor Windsor** 

To go into Close Meeting at 7:02 p.m. for the following item:

12.1 EDA Ministry Engagement - FOIP Section 21 and Section 23

**Motion Carried** 

# 13. RECONVENE

Res. 454-23

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To return to Open Meeting at 7:17 p.m.

**Motion Carried** 

Res. 455-23

**MOVED** by Councillor Windsor

To support Mayor Hunter's EDA Ministry Engagement on October 18, 2023 in Edmonton, Alberta.

**Motion Carried** 

# 14. ADJOURNMENT

Res. 456-23

MOVED by Councillor Moore

To adjourn the October 10, 2023 Regular Council Meeting at 7:20 p.m.

**Motion Carried** 

Deputy Mayor - Curt Engel

Chief Administrative Officer- Ethan Gorner