

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
CARSTAIRS MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

ATTENDEES: Deputy Mayor Allan, Councilors Ball, Fricke, Ratz, & Roberts, Director of Legislative & Corporate Services Shannon Allison, CAO Rick Blair & Executive Assistant Kayleigh Van Es

ABSENT: Mayor Colby, Councilor Wilcox

CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Mayor Allan called the meeting of Monday, May 27, 2024, to order at 7:01 p.m.

ADDED ITEMS: 1. **MVRWSC Open House Invitation to 11.b Correspondence.**

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion 204/24

Motion by Councilor Ball to adopt the Regular Council agenda of May 27, 2024, as amended.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Motion 205/24

Motion by Councilor Fricke to adopt the Regular Council minutes of May 13, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM

PREVIOUS MEETING:

Nil

DELEGATIONS:

1. **Carstairs Heritage Festival-Pam Montgomery & Bob Green**

Mayor Colby arrived at 7:02 p.m.

P. Montgomery and B. Green provided Council with an update on the upcoming Carstairs Heritage Festival on June 2, 2024. P. Montgomery would like to personally thank Council for the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner and the flowers she got following her husband's death this winter. P. Montgomery also offered an update on the health of Heritage Festival Liaison Sharon Lampitt, who is currently recovering from a fall. According to P. Montgomery, S. Lampitt conducted all of the fundraising this year and is responsible for the entire success. So far, the festival has 70 volunteers and 120 performers, not counting 100 highland dancers for the competition. The festival is spreading quickly through word of mouth. There will be a larger market and more food trucks, and the community has given a strong response.

B. Green claims that, despite S. Lampitt's best efforts, they fell short of their fundraising goal and are seeking Council assistance. Proposing that Council support four bands for \$750 each, as well as fund the volunteer and pipers' lunch for \$1500. A total of \$4500.

Councilor Fricke inquires whether they found the fundraising difficult this year, to which B. Green confirms. Councilor Fricke expresses gratitude for all of the tireless work that went into organizing such a fantastic occasion. Supporting what is approved in the budget for the Heritage Festival.

Councilor Ball compliments everyone for a fantastic job with the event, especially Sharon.

Councilor Ratz states that it is an amazing and dedicated committee.

Councilor Roberts expressed his excitement for attending the festival.

Councilor Allan echoed.

Mayor Colby praises the committee for their hard work; the festival brings a lot of attention to our town and is a terrific way to bring everyone together. Indicating that his uniform will be ready.

Motion 206/24

Motion by Councilor Roberts to accept the delegation from the Carstairs Heritage Festival as information and to sponsor four Pipe Bands at \$750 each and fund the volunteer and piper lunch for \$1500 for a total of \$4500 for the June 2, 2024 festival.

CARRIED



BYLAWS & POLICIES:

1. Bylaw No.1062 Traffic Bylaw-Amended

The amended Bylaw was reviewed at the most recent Policy and Priorities Committee meeting.

Motion 207/24

Motion by Councilor Ball to give first reading of Bylaw No. 1062 Traffic Bylaw, as amended.

CARRIED

Motion 208/24

Motion by Councilor Fricke to give second reading of Bylaw No. 1062 Traffic Bylaw, as amended.

CARRIED

Motion 209/24

Motion by Councilor Allan to move to third and final reading of Bylaw No. 1062 Traffic Bylaw, as amended.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Motion 210/24

Motion by Councilor Roberts to give third and final reading of Bylaw No. 1062 Traffic Bylaw, as amended.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

1. RCMP Quarterly Reports

Council reviewed the reports. CAO Blair inquired whether Council wanted Staff Sergeant Browne and the New Commander to address Council. It was agreed to arrange for the RCMP to attend the next available Council meeting.

Motion 211/24

Motion by Councilor Ratz to accept RCMP Quarterly reports as information.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Policies & Priorities Committee

-Council reviewed the meeting minutes of May 16, 2024.

2. Mountain View Regional Waste Commission

-Next Meeting June 22, 2024.

3. Mountain View Regional Water Commission

-Next meeting June 19, 2024. As of right now the drought risk has subsided.

4. Mountain View Seniors' Housing

-Next meeting June 13, 2024.

5. Red Deer River Municipal Users Group

-Next meeting TBD

Motion 212/24

Motion by Councilor Ball to accept all Committee Reports as information.

CARRIED

COUNCILOR REPORTS:

Councilor Allan

-May 16, 2024, attended Policies & Priorities Committee Meeting.

Councilor Ball

-Happy to be out farming.

Councilor Fricke

-May 16, 2024, attended Policies & Priorities Committee Meeting.

-May 25, 2024, attended Aggie Days at the Carstairs Curling Rink.

-May 26, 2024, attended the Carstairs Fire Department Open House, which was very well attended.

Councilor Ratz

-May 15, 2024, attended the Heritage Festival Committee Meeting.

-May 16, 2024, attended Policies & Priorities Committee Meeting.

-May 26, 2024, attended the Carstairs Fire Department Open House.

Councilor Roberts

-May 16, 2024, attended Policies & Priorities Committee Meeting.

-May 24-25, 2024, attended Aggie Days at the Carstairs Curling Rink.

-May 26, 2024, attended the Carstairs Fire Department Open House.

Councilor Wilcox

-Absent.

Mayor Colby

-May 16, 2024, attended Policies & Priorities Committee Meeting.

-May 26, 2024, attended the Carstairs Fire Department Open House.

Motion 213/24

Motion by Councilor Fricke to accept all Councilor Reports as information.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. HSS After-Grad Request

Council reviewed the letter of request.

Motion 214/24

Motion by Councilor Allan to accept the After-Grad request as information and direct administration to facilitate the request.

CARRIED

2. MVRWSC Open House Invitation

Mayor Colby spoke to the invitation, emphasizing the importance of the Council taking a tour on June 19, 2024.

Motion 215/24

Motion by Councilor Ratz to accept the MVRWSC Open House Invitation as information.

CARRIED

CAO'S REPORT:

- May 16, 2024, met with MLT Aikens regarding Reservoir agreement.
- May 27, 2024, met with Principal Dean Nielsen regarding the new dance academy and proposed schedule for the hockey academy, as well as the safety and traffic issues with the schools bus loop.
- Signed a contract with MeterCor for the pilot project for new water meters. Which all came in under budget.
- Signed and issued a purchase offer for the new Fire Rescue truck. Working on scheduling arrival.
- Working with residents of Stonegarden with waterline easements.
- Collecting data from CPOs and Bylaw to identify gaps in services as well as evaluating the new schedule. Once information is gathered, administration will make a recommendations to Council regarding levels of service.
- Ball hockey tournament will go ahead this year using Veterans Way instead of Main Street.
- Census is 85% complete, with a population of 4523. An average of 2.7 people per household.
- TELUS fibre is now installed and running.

Motion 216/24

Motion by Councilor Allan to accept CAO's Report as information.

CARRIED

COUNCILOR CONCERNS: Nil

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:

1. Erik Vester

Question about the new water meters: since it is a live feed, are they able to detect leaks and will residents be notified of any problems? CAO Blair explained that the meters are not live feeds but are downloaded daily, and that residents will be contacted if any leaks are identified.

MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD:

Nil

CLOSED MEETING:

Nil

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, June 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion 217/24

Motion by Councilor Ball to adjourn the meeting of May 27, 2024, at 7:31 p.m.

CARRIED



 Lance Colby, Mayor



 Rick Blair, CAO