Town of Drumheller COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2019, at 4:30 PM Council Chamber, Town Hall 224 Centre Street, Drumheller, AB, T0J 0Y4



PRESENT:

MAYOR:

Heather Colberg

COUNCIL:

Kristyne DeMott

Jay Garbutt

Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk

Tony Lacher

Fred Makowecki

Tom Zariski

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

Darryl Drohomerski

DEPUTY CAO/DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES:

Barb Miller

DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:

Dave Brett

DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES:

Greg Peters

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER:

Julia Fielding

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER:

Sean Wallace

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Dori Appleton

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Colberg called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm

2. MAYOR'S OPENING REMARK

Mayor Colberg provided her opening remarks.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M2019.228 T. Lacher, T. Zariski moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Carried Unanimously.

4. MINUTES

4.1. ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes of October 28, 2019

M2019.229 L. Hansen-Zacharuk, F. Makowecki moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 28, 2019. Carried Unanimously.

- 4.2. MINUTES OF MEETING PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION
- 4.3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- 5. DELEGATIONS
- 6. REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS
- 6.1. CAO

Request for Decision - Alberta - Town of Drumheller Flood Mitigation Program Adaptation Funding Agreement (Reference 38/481)

D. Drohomerski advised that formalization of the \$20 million grant awarded through the Alberta Environment and Parks Flood Mitigation Program for the "purchase of lands, and associated expenditures including remediation and/or reclamation, related to the implementation of the Drumheller Flood Mitigation System" requires execution of the funding agreement with the Province.

It is recommended that Council move to (1.) to approve the principal terms for inclusion in Alberta – Town of Drumheller Flood Mitigation Program Funding Agreement as presented, and (2.) Authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute the agreement with the Government of Alberta reflecting these principal terms.

M2019.300 L. Hansen-Zacharuk, J. Garbutt moved (1.) to approve the principal terms for inclusion in Alberta – Town of Drumheller Flood Mitigation Program Funding Agreement as presented, and (2.) Authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute the agreement with the Government of Alberta reflecting these principal terms. Carried Unanimously.

Request for Decision - Canada - Town of Drumheller Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Funding Agreement (Reference 38/471)

D. Drohomerski advised that formalization of the \$22 million grant awarded under the Canada Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund requires execution of the funding agreement negotiated the Government of Canada.

It is recommended that Council move to (1.) approve the principal terms for inclusion in Canada – Town of Drumheller Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Funding Agreement as presented, and (2.) Authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute the agreement with the Government of Alberta reflecting these principal terms.

M2019.301 T. Zariski, T. Lacher moved to approve the principal terms for inclusion in Canada – Town of Drumheller Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Funding Agreement as presented, and (2.) Authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute the agreement with the Government of Alberta reflecting these principal terms. Carried Unanimously.

6.2. DEPUTY CAO / DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES Request for Decision - Shallow Gas Tax Relief

B. Miller advised that Administration is seeking a resolution of Council authorizing the cancellation of 35% of the 2019 property taxes and any late penalty fees levied against shallow gas wells and related pipelines. This request has been handed down by the Province to all municipalities as a measure to help stimulate oil and gas investment in Alberta.

M2019.302 L. Hansen-Zacharuk, K. DeMott moved that pursuant to Section 347 of the MGA, for all properties identified in the appendix – summary of the Tax Relief by Company, attached to and forming part of the Council minutes, Council authorizes the:

- Cancellation and/or refund of the 2019 property taxes paid or owing so as to reduce by 35 per cent property taxes levied as per section 353(2) of the MGA, which includes municipal property taxes, requisitions detailed in section 326(1)(a) and 359(1)(2), as well as special taxes levied under section 382(1) where the tax rate is based on the assessment.
- Cancellation and/or refund of tax penalties associated with the 2019 property taxes levied as per section 353(2) of the MGA.

Vote on Motion:

In Favour – Mayor Colberg, K. DeMott, L. Hansen-Zacharuk, T. Lacher, F. Makowecki, T. Zariski

Opposed - J. Garbutt Carried.

6.3. DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

6.4. DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY / PROTECTIVE SERVICES

6.5. MANAGER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Request for Decision - Withdrawal of Central Alberta Economic Partnership (CAEP)

S. Wallace and Administration recommend that Council approve the cessation of membership with the Central Alberta Economic Partnership, by resolution, per the CAEP Articles of Association resulting in annual savings of \$0.50 per capita.

M2019.303 K. DeMott, T. Lacher moved to approve the cessation of membership with the Central Alberta Economic Partnership, by resolution, per the Central Alberta Economic Partnership Articles of Association. Carried Unanimously.

- 6.6. COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
- 6.7. REVIEW OF STRATEGIC PRIORITIES
- 7. PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION
- 8. PUBLIC HEARING TO COMMENCE AT 5:30 PM
- 9. PUBLIC HEARING DECISIONS
- 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- 11. NOTICE OF MOTION
- 12. COUNCILLOR REPORTS
- 13. IN-CAMERA MATTERS

M2019.304 T. Lacher, T. Zariski moved to go into a Closed Meeting at 4:55 pm.

Carried Unanimously.

Labour Matter - Designated Officer (FOIPP Section 17 Personal Privacy)

M2019.305 T. Lacher, K. DeMott moved to revert back to the Regular Council Meeting at 5:33 pm.

Carried Unanimously.

M2019.306 J. Garbutt, T. Zariski moved by to give 1st reading of By-Law 15-19 at 5:34 pm.

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Carried Unanimously.

M2019.307 T. Lacher, L. Hansen-Zacharuk moved to return to a Closed Meeting at 5:35 pm. Carried Unanimously.

Labour Matter - CAO Annual Review Council Preparation (FOIPP Section 17 Personal Privacy)

M2019.308 T. Lacher, K. DeMott moved to revert back to the Regular Council Meeting at 7:57 pm.

Carried Unanimously.

14. ADJOURNMENT

M2019.309 T. Lacher, L. Hansen-Zacharuk moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm.

Carried Unanimously.

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor