

# MEETING MINUTES VILLAGE OF RYCROFT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 21, 2023 VILLAGE OF RYCROFT COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT:

James Verquin

Mayor

Roxann Dreger

Deputy Mayor

Joanne Chelick **Brian Markovich**  Councillor

Councillor

**Peter Thomas** 

**Chief Administrative Officer** 

ABSENT:

Dwayne Kotyk

Councillor

CALL TO ORDER 1.

Mayor Verquin called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA 2.

2023-3-21-56

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council adopt the Regular Council **CARRIED** meeting agenda for March 21, 2023 as presented.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES 3.

3.1 Minutes from the March 8, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

2023-3-21-57

MOVED by Councillor Chelick that Council approve the March 8, 2023 CARRIED Regular Council meeting minutes as presented.

PUBLIC HEARINGS 4.

**DELEGATIONS** 5.

5.1 Assessor Alan Down RE: Village Property Assessment Report

The Village Property Assessor Alan Down, and Associate Assessor Garret Semerka joined the meeting at 6:31 pm, and had a discussion with Council in reviewing the Property Assessment program for the Village. Alan noted that a significant change for 2022 was that the assessment on residential land in the Village dropped by ~30%.

2023-3-21-58

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council accept the Village Property Assessment report as presented by the Village appointed Assessor Alan CARRIED Down as presented.

Alan Down and Garret Semerka left the meeting at 6:48 pm.

2023-3-21-59

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council direct Administration to include the topic of minimum tax on the next Regular Council Meeting agenda. **CARRIED** 

#### CAO REPORT 6.

# 6.1 CAO Report, Action Item List, Calendar, and Strategic Priorities Chart

MOVED by Councillor Markovich that Council accept the CAO Report, 2023-3-21-60 Action Item List, Calendar, and the Strategic Priorities Chart as presented.

CARRIED

### COUNCILLOR REPORTS 7.

### Councillor Chelick

March 15 Central Peace Regional Fire Commission Meeting March 16 Friends of the Grande Spirit Foundation Meeting March 16 Central Peace Emergency Management Committee Meeting

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council direct Administration to bring a 2023-3-21-61 report on the residential property located north of the Northwest Industrial Subdivision back to the next Regular Council Meeting for Council review. CARRIED

**Deputy Mayor Dreger** 

March 15 Central Peace Regional Fire Commission Meeting March 20 Central Peace Health and Wellness Coalition Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Chelick that Council accept the Council member 2023-3-21-62 CARRIED verbal reports as presented.

### PREVIOUS BUSINESS 8.

#### 9. **NEW BUSINESS**

# 9.1 RFD: Viability Review Final Update

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council accept the Viability Review 62 2023-3-21-63 recommendations Action Plan updates, and the 2017 to 2027 Capital Budget Plan as presented, and that Administration forward the documents accompanied by a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs. CARRIED

9.2 RFD: Water Operator Contract

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council award the Water Operator 2023-3-21-64 contract to Aquacor Water & Environmental Inc. for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2028 in the amount of \$149,615 plus GST per annum. **CARRIED** 

9.3 RFD: Sewer and Manhole Re-line Capital Project

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council award the 2023 Capital budget 2023-3-21-65 contract to complete the re-lining of the sewer main and manhole project to Insituform Technologies Ltd., of Edmonton in the amount of \$223,111 plus **CARRIED** GST.

## 9.4 RFD: Water Meters

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council increase the 2023 Operational 2023-3-21-66 budget in the amount of \$26,000 in order to purchase a supply of new residential water meters for the Village Public Works operation. CARRIED

# 9.5 RFD: AB Community Partnership Grant Regional Recreational Services

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council supports the Town of Spirit 2023-3-21-67 River as the managing partner in a submission of a 2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership grant application to create a Regional Infrastructure Master Plan for Recreation and Municipal Service Delivery.

CARRIED

# 9.6 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Membership Renewal 2023

2023-3-21-68

**MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council purchases a membership in the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Association for the 2023 year in the amount of \$268.97. **CARRIED** 

### 10. CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

- 10.1 Central Peace Regional Water Supply Project Overview February 22, 2023
- 10.2 Central Peace Regional Water Supply Project Overview March 8, 2023
- 10.3 Grande Spirit Foundation 2023 Municipal Requisitions
- 10.4 Grande Spirit Foundation RE MDSR discussion RE: SR Lodge
- 10.5 MSP Red Tape Reduction Approval
- 10.6 Municipal Affairs RE: Budget 2023
- 10.7 Municipal Affairs RE: MSI CCBF Funding 2023
- 10.8 Peace Library Systems February 25, 2023 Meeting Highlights
- 10.9 NAEL Statistics Member Population and Land Mass
- 10.10 NAV Canada RE: Notice of Proposal Peace River Airport
- 10.11 Rycroft Library Board Meeting Minutes March 8, 2023
- 10.12 AHS RE: Worsley Medication Dispensing

2023-3-21-69

**MOVED** by Councillor Markovich that Council accept the correspondence items 10.1 to 10.12 for information. **CARRIED** 

Mayor Verquin called for a recess at 7:20 pm for a break Mayor Verquin called the meeting back to order at 7:22 pm.

## 11. CLOSED MEETING

- 11.1 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Pt. 1, Div. 2, Sect. 27 (Legal-Land Appraisals)
- 11.2 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Pt. 1, Div. 2, Sect. 16 (Legal-Business Interests)
- 2023-3-21-70

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council move to a closed meeting at 7:22 p.m. as per the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Part 1, Division 2, Section 27 (Legal-Land Appraisals), and Section 16 (Legal-Business Interests).

CARRIED

2023-3-21-71

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council come out of the closed meeting at 7:35 p.m. CARRIED

2023-3-21-72

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council direct Administration to adjust the Village owned industrial property listing prices in the Crossroads Industrial subdivision and the Northwest Industrial subdivision property listing values as per the AccuPro Real Estate Appraisal & Consulting Appraisal Report as discussed.

CARRIED

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Verquin adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

James Verquin

Mayor

Peter Thomas

**Chief Administrative Officer**