

TOWN OF ECKVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, November 25, 2019
Council Chambers – 5023 – 51 Avenue, Eckville, Alberta

1. Call to Order

1.0 Mayor Posti called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Posti
Deputy Mayor Ebden
Councillor Engen
Councillor Meyers
Councillor Phillips
Councillor See

CAO Jack Ramsden
Supervisor Finance & Administration Darcy Webb

Absent: Councillor Chapman

Press: Kaylyn Whibbs

Gallery: Dana Kreil, Medicine River Crime Watch Society
Jim Morton, Medicine River Crime Watch Society
Dick Snook, Medicine River Crime Watch Society

2. Delegations/Public Hearings

2.1 See Delegations/Public Hearings continued

3. Agenda

3.1 Additional/ Deleted Agenda Items
2.1 Delegation – Medicine River Crime Watch Society
10.2 Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association Conference

3.2 Adoption of Agenda

Res. 315/19

Moved by Councillor See that the Agenda be adopted with the additions. **Carried Unanimously.**

4. Minutes

4.1 Regular Council Meeting – Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Res. 316/19

Moved by Councillor Phillips that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held Tuesday, November 12, 2019 be adopted as presented. **Carried Unanimously.**

5. Action Items

5.1 RFD – Town Owned Facility Utility Invoicing

Res. 317/19

Moved by Councillor See that effective January 1, 2020 the Town send out utility charges to community groups who operate Town owned facilities as information only and that administration make the necessary internal entries in it's financial system to record the charges and offsetting credit by the Town. **Carried**

Unanimously.

5.2 Request for Decision – Consumer Price Index

Res. 318/19 Moved by Deputy Mayor Ebden that the Employee Wage Grid be increased by 1.3% effective January 1, 2020. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 319/19 Moved by Councillor Meyers that no adjustment be made to the Councillor Per Diem Rates for 2020. **Carried Unanimously.**

6. Bylaws, Policies

6.1 Bylaw No. 759-19 Council Procedural Bylaw Amendment

Res. 320/19 Moved by Councillor Engen that Bylaw No. 759-19 be given second reading at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously.**

6.2 Bylaw No. 760-19 Utility Rate and Fee Structure Bylaw Amendment

Res. 321/19 Moved by Deputy Mayor Ebden that Bylaw No. 760-19 be given first reading at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 322/19 Moved by Councillor Meyers that Bylaw No. 760-19 be given second reading at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 323/19 Moved by Councillor See that Bylaw No. 760-19 be given unanimous consent to be presented for third and final reading at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously..**

Res. 324/19 Moved by Councillor Engen that Bylaw No. 760-19 be given third and final reading at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously.**

2. Delegations/Public Hearings (continued)

2.1 Medicine River Crime Watch Society

Mayor Posti welcomed Dana Kreil, Jim Morton and Dyck Snook representing Medicine River Crime Watch Society to the meeting at 6:50 p.m. The group gave Council an update on the goals and accomplishments of the group and asked for the support of Council with a number of initiatives and further asked for Council representation on the Board of the Medicine River Crime Watch Society.

Mayor Posti thanked the group for attending and the delegation left the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Res. 325/19 Moved by Councillor See that the Town of Eckville become a corporate member of the Medicine River Crime Watch Society. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 326/19 Moved by Councillor Phillips that Councillor Meyers be appointed to the Board of the Medicine River Crime Watch Society and further that Councillor Engen be appointed as an alternate member. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 327/19 Moved by Councillor Meyers that the Town of Eckville assist with sponsoring a public meeting of the Medicine River to be held on February 27, 2020 by providing the Eckville Community Centre as a venue at no charge. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 328/19 Moved by Councillor See that the Town provide space for up to six meetings per year of the Medicine River Crime Watch Society when they are held in the municipality. **Carried Unanimously.**

7. Reports

7.1 Management Report November 25, 2019

Moved by Councillor Phillips that the management report dated November 25, 2019 be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 329/19

Moved by Councillor Engen that the Honourable Jason Nixon, Minister of Environment and Parks & House Leader be invited to attend a meeting with Town Council in order to discuss a number of matters of importance to the Town. **Carried Unanimously.**

7.2 Financial Report - AP Report dated November 21, 2019

Res. 330/19

Moved by Deputy Mayor Ebdon that the Financial Report be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

7.3 Tagish Engineering Updates – November 25, 2019

Res. 331/19

Moved by Councillor Meyers that the Tagish Engineering Updates be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

7.4 Lacombe County Quarterly Enforcement Report – Q3

Res. 332/19

Moved by Deputy Mayor Ebdon that the Lacombe County Quarterly Enforcement Report for Quarter 3 be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

8. Committee, Board Reports

8.1 Deputy Mayor Ebdon updated Council on the Eckville Curling Club, Parkland Regional Library, Eckville Library and the RMA conference she attended.

Councillor Engen gave a report on the Recreation Board.

Mayor Posti discussed the RMA conference she attended and updated Council on the Lacombe Foundation.

Councillor Phillips reported on the Tree Lighting, Community Centre and FCSS.

Councillor See discussed CAEP and the Arena Association.

Res. 333/19

Moved by Councillor Meyers that the Committee & Board Reports be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 9. Correspondence, Information Items
 - 9.1 Lacombe County Council Highlights – November 7, 2019
 - 9.2 Red Deer River Watershed Alliance

Res. 334/19 Moved by Deputy Mayor Ebden that the Correspondence & Information Items be accepted as presented. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 10. Seminars, Meetings, Special Events
 - 10.1 Brownlee LLP – Save the Date

Res. 335/19 Moved by Councillor Meyers that the Seminars, Meetings and Special Events be accepted. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 11. Closed Session
 - 11.1

Res. 336/19 Moved by Councillor Engen that the meeting move into closed session excluding all persons except Council members, CAO and Supervisor Finance & Administration in order to discuss an item that falls within Section 21-Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations Section 24-Advice from officials. Time: 8:30 pm. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 337/19 Moved by Councillor Meyers that the meeting revert back to open session. Time: 9:44 pm. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 338/19 Moved by Deputy Mayor Ebden that Council accept the proposed Facility Operating Cost Share Agreement between the Town of Eckville and Lacombe County and further that the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign said agreement. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 339/19 Moved by Councillor Meyers that Council accept the proposed Fire Services Agreement between the Town of Eckville and Lacombe County and further that the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign said agreement. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 12. Committee of the Whole
 - 12.1 None

- 13. Adjournment
 - 13.1

Res. 340/19 Mayor Posti adjourned the meeting at 9:48 p.m. **Carried Unanimously**

Mayor

CAO