

TOWN OF ECKVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, November 29, 2021

Eckville Town Office, 5023 – 51 Avenue, Eckville, Alberta

- 1. Call to Order**
- 1.0 Mayor Ebden called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
- Present: Mayor Ebden
Deputy Mayor Engen
Councillor Meyers
Councillor Palm-Fraser
Councillor Phillips
Councillor See
Councillor Thoreson
- Absent: None
- Staff: CAO Jack Ramsden
Supervisor Finance & Administration Darcy Webb
- Press: None Present
- Gallery: None Present (The meeting was available via electronic means)
- 2. Delegations/Public Hearings**
- 2.1 (See Delegations/Public Hearings continued)
- 3. Agenda**
- 3.1 Additional Agenda Items
5.2 CAO Vacation
- 3.2 Adoption of Agenda
- Res. 299.2021**
- Moved by Councillor See that the Agenda be adopted with the addition. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 4. Minutes**
- 4.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – Monday, November 8, 2021
- Res. 300.2021**
- Moved by Deputy Mayor Engen that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, November 8, 2021 be accepted as presented. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 5. Action Items**
- 5.1 RFD – Stantec Consulting
- Res. 301.2021**
- Moved by Councillor Meyers that Stantec Consulting be contracted to provide accelerated order of magnitude costing for lagoon upgrade options to assist the Town in their decisions on future improvements to the Town’s wastewater lagoons at an estimated fee of \$21,000. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 5.2 RFD – CAO Vacation
- Res. 302.2021** Moved by Councillor See that the CAO be authorized to carry over 10 days unused vacation from 2021 to the 2022 calendar year. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 6. Bylaws /Policies**
- 6.1 Council Service Award/Gift Policy
- Res. 303.2021** Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that the Council Service Award/Gift Policy be adopted. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 6.2 Staff Service Award/Gift Policy
- Res. 304.2021** Moved by Deputy Mayor Engen that the Staff Service Award/Gift Policy be adopted. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 7. Reports**
- 7.1 Management Report November 29, 2021
- Res. 305.2021** Moved by Councillor Meyers that the management report for November 29, 2021 be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 2. Delegations/Public Hearings continued**
- 2.1 RCMP Delegation
- Mayor Ebden welcomed Sgt. Lesyk, S/Sgt. Meyer and Chief Superintendent Fluery to the meeting. Time: 6:25 p.m.
- The delegation discussed the Alberta Provincial Police Transition Study, matters of general interest and reported on local crime statistics.
- Mayor Ebden thanked the Officers' for attending and the group left the meeting. Time: 7:15 p.m.
- 7. Reports continued**
- 7.2 Financial Report – November 29, 2021
- 7.3 Tagish Engineering Report – November 12, 2021
- 7.4 Animal Control Services Report – October, 2021
- Res. 306.2021** Moved by Councillor Meyers that Report Items 7.2 through 7.4 be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 8. Committee & Board Reports**
- 8.1 Councillor Phillips gave an update on the Community Centre.
- Deputy Mayor Engen reported on the activities of the Health Resources Committee.
- Councillor See discussed the Arena Board.
- Mayor Ebden gave an update on the Lacombe Foundation and Charitable Society.

Res. 307.2021 Moved by Councilor Phillips that the Committee and Board Reports be accepted. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 9. Correspondence, Information Items**
- 9.1 Lacombe County Highlights of the Regular Meeting Nov 10, 2021
 - 9.2 Alberta Ombudsman letter
 - 9.3 Medicine River Rural Crime Watch-AGM
 - 9.4 Wolf Creek Public Schools
 - 9.5 Alberta Provincial Police Transition Study

Res. 308.2021 Moved by Councillor Thoreson that the Correspondence & Information Items be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

10. Seminars, Meetings, Special Events 10.1 None

11. Closed Session 11.1 Section 24 – Advice from Officials

Res. 309.2021 Moved by Councillor Phillips that the meeting move into closed session excluding all persons except Council members, CAO and Finance & Administration Supervisor in order to discuss an item dealing with Section 24; Advice from Officials. Time: 8:00 p.m. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 310.2021 Moved by Councillor Meyers that the meeting revert back to open session. Time: 8:15 p.m. **Carried Unanimously.**

Mayor Ebdon called for a 5 minute recess. Time: 8:16 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 8:21 p.m.


Res. 311.2021 Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that Richard Covlin be invited to attend the regular Council meeting scheduled for January 10, 2022 in order to discuss Eckville's First Hospital and an application for possible designation as an Alberta Provincial Historical Resource and further that the Town submit a letter of support with respect to the application. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 312.2021 Moved by Councillor Meyers that Administration be asked to arrange a viewing of the property by Council. **Carried Unanimously.**

12. Committee of the Whole 12.1 None

13. Adjournment 13.1

Res. 313.2021 Mayor Ebdon adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. **Carried Unanimously**



Mayor



CAO

