

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 1, 2016
9:00 a.m. Open Session
Council Chambers

Members Present: Roxanne Carr, Mayor
Vic Bidzinski, Councillor Ward 1
Dave Anderson, Councillor Ward 2
Brian Botterill, Councillor Ward 3
Paul Smith, Councillor Ward 5
Linton Delainey, Councillor Ward 6
Bonnie Riddell, Councillor Ward 7
Fiona Beland-Quest, Councillor Ward 8

Members Absent: Carla Howatt, Councillor Ward 4

Administration Present: Rob Coon, Chief Commissioner
Grant Heer, Acting Assoc. Commissioner, Corporate Services
Kevin Glebe, Assoc. Commissioner, Infrastructure and Planning Services
Gord Johnston, Assoc. Commissioner, Community Services
Greg Yeomans, Chief Financial Officer
Mavis Nathoo, Director, Legislative and Legal Services
Jeremy Tremblett, Legislative Officer
Lana Dyrland, Legislative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carr called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

2. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / CHANGES TO AGENDA

The Chair called for additions/deletions/changes to the agenda.

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Moved by: B. Riddell

THAT the Agenda be amended as follows:

THAT a Chief Commissioner's report entitled "Amendment to the 2015 Q4 Strathcona Community Investment Program (SCIP) Fund Allocations" be added to the agenda and an In Camera session be added at the end of the regular session agenda to discuss the following items:

1. Regional Transit Matter
FOIP Section 21, harmful to intergovernmental relations
2. Development Levies
FOIP Section 24, advice from officials

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

3. ADOPT AGENDA

2016/ 76

Moved by: F. Beland-Quest

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

4. CONSENT AGENDA

2016/ 77

Moved by: B. Riddell

THAT Council consent to approve the following agenda item without debate which motion reads:

9.2

Urban Service Area - Farm Tax Cancellation

THAT the partial cancellation of property taxes on farm buildings and farm residences in the Urban Service Area for the 2016 tax year be approved.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

5. PROCLAMATIONS

There were no proclamations presented at the meeting.

6. COUNCIL PRIORITIES

6.1 Motion following Notice of Motion

2016/ 78

Moved by: B. Riddell

THAT agenda item 6.1, Signage for Potential School Sites (Notice of Motion given February 23, 2016) be postponed to the March 22, 2016 Council Meeting to allow for Councillor Howatt to be present.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

7. FINANCIAL SERVICES

7.1 2015 Reserve Transactions

2016/ 79

Moved by: F. Beland-Quest

THAT the transfer of \$15,604,769 to reserve in the amounts of \$11,913,208 to Municipal Projects reserve (1.3773), \$621,578 to Municipal Infrastructure Lifecycle, Maintenance and Replacement reserve (1.3800), \$216,546 to Utilities Rate Stabilization and Contingency reserve (11.4425), and \$2,853,437 to Utilities Infrastructure Lifecycle, Maintenance and Replacement reserve (11.4440), in accordance with the 2015 annual operating surplus for tax purposes allocation, be approved.

In Favor R. Carr, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delainey, B. Riddell and F. Beland-Quest
Opposed V. Bidzinski and D. Anderson

Carried

2016/ 80

Moved by: B. Riddell

THAT the re-designation of a project savings in the amount of \$100,000 from the Municipal Year-End Carry Forwards reserve (1.3769) to the Municipal Projects reserve (1.3773), as set out in Enclosure 2 to the March 1, 2016 Financial Services report, be approved.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delainey, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

2016/ 81

Moved by: B. Botterill

THAT the 2015 Reserve Transaction Report (unaudited), as set out in Enclosure 3 to the March 1, 2016 Financial Services report, be ratified.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delainey, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

8. LEGISLATIVE AND LEGAL SERVICES

8.1 GOV-002-032 Ward Boundary Review Policy

2016/ 82

Moved by: B. Riddell

THAT Administration prepare, for Council's Consideration, a Ward Boundary Policy for presentation at the April 5, 2016, Council meeting, based upon the following criteria:

1. To use a guideline standard of +/- 25% population deviation as a guideline (comparing urban to urban and rural to rural)
2. Provide effective representation for all residents of Strathcona County
3. In determining effective representation, take into account community interests and minority representation, particularly in the context of the status of a specialized Municipality with a rural/ urban mix

4. Use demographic information based on the most recent official Census data and projections
5. Establish boundaries that will serve our residents for at least the next two elections, taking into account future population growth
6. Keep neighbourhoods cohesive, insofar as possible (communities of interest)
7. To consider using geographical features as boundaries, when practical.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

9. ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION

9.1 Bylaw 11-2016 (2016 Supplementary Assessment)

2016/ 83

Moved by: B. Botterill

THAT Bylaw 11-2016, a bylaw that authorizes a supplementary assessment, be given first reading.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

2016/ 84

Moved by: P. Smith

THAT Bylaw 11-2016 be given second reading.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

2016/ 85

Moved by: F. Beland-Quest

THAT Bylaw 11-2016 be considered for third reading.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

2016/ 86

Moved by: P. Smith

THAT Bylaw 11-2016 be given third reading.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

10. COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (INFORMATION REQUESTS AND NOTICES OF MOTION)

10.1 Councillor Request Report

Ward	Category	Request	Department	Due Date
7 B. Riddell	Information Request	<p>That the following information be provided to Council by the next council meeting (March 22, 2016):</p> <p>As per the article in the Sherwood Park Independent Weekly dated Feb. 24/16, Councillor Bidzinski referenced the following: That the initial growth plan areas that were identified in 2006 were compared taking into consideration social factors, agricultural capabilities, environmental impact, infrastructure capabilities and an extensive fiscal impact analysis. I would like a list of any and all studies of this nature that were commissioned in 2006 to address these areas. He goes on further to state: "The one node north of highway 16, east of highway 21, today known as Bremner, was clearly delineated by council as the number one area with future urban potential. I would like a copy of the Council decision supporting this statement. Additional statements reference decisions of the previous council and specifically the following statement was made "I now believe this was contrary to the decision of a previous council but nothing was brought forward indicating the discrepancy" (in reference to the 2012 MDP update to bring us in line with the Capital Region growth plan). I would like a list of all formal motions made on this subject matter within this time frame and an administrative response in terms of the perceived discrepancy. 'A claim was made that in 2013 Council made motions to initiate the growth study for Bremner and then at a later date made the decision to initiate the growth study for Colchester. Again the statement is made that these motions are contrary to decisions made by a previous council and I would like a listing of all motions made in regards to both growth areas and an outline of the process to date.' Finally, a statement is made as</p>	Legislative and Legal Services	March 22, 2016

		<p>follows: "I would like a legal opinion on whether those decisions by a previous council should have been debated, and rescinded if we were to move forward in the direction we did. I would like to be certain we are moving in the right direction legally..." To my knowledge this concern has not been brought to this administration and/or council. To ensure that council has followed due process I would like our administration to address this matter and provide information back to council.</p>		
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Councillor Delaine stated a pecuniary interest on the topic being discussed during Councillor Requests and therefore left the meeting at 11:06 am. Councillor Delaine re-joined the meeting once the discussion was complete at 11:15 a.m.

10.2 Expenditure of Council Priority Funds Report

2016/ 87

Moved by: B. Riddell

THAT an expenditure of \$408.00 from Council Priority Funds as follows:

Councillor Bonnie Riddell \$408.00

for the purpose of providing funds to Antler Lake Stewardship Committee for costs associated with one year of hall rental fees, be approved.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

10.3 Expenditure of Council Priority Funds Report

2016/ 88

Moved by: P. Smith

THAT an expenditure of \$1600.00 from Council Priority Funds as follows:

Councillor Paul Smith \$1000.00

Councillor Linton Delaine \$ 600.00

for the purpose of providing funds to Ardrossan Strathcona Figure Skating Club for costs associated with the club's ice show "High School Musical on Ice" be approved.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

11. CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

11.1 Amendment to the 2015 Q4 Strathcona Community Investment Program (SCIP) Fund Allocations

2016/ 89

Moved by: P. Smith

THAT the January 19, 2016, Council Consent Agenda approval resolution (2016/ 5) be amended to revoke the funding allocation to Rescue 100 Horses Foundation by deleting item 8.2 and replacing it with the following:

8.2

2015 Strathcona Community Investment Program Fund Allocations

That, in accordance with the Strathcona Community Investment Program Policy GOV-002-030, a total allocation of \$19,116.00, as detailed below, be approved:

Canadian Parents for French – Winter Carnival	\$1,200.00
EIPS Young Speakers Invitational	\$2,000.00
Fultonvale School Advisory Council	\$1,600.00
Sherwood Park Handball Club	\$5,000.00
Hastings Lake Community Association – Christmas/Country	\$ 240.00
Hastings Lake Community Association – Winter Solstice	\$ 900.00
Sunshine Generation	\$1,000.00
Ministik Parents Association	\$7,176.00

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

2016/ 90

Moved by: V. Bidzinski

THAT Council meet in private at 11:20 a.m. to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 21 and 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, D. Anderson, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell
and F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

- 12.1 Regional Transit Matter
FOIP Section 21, harmful to intergovernmental relations
- 12.2 Development Levies
FOIP Section 24, advice from officials

Dave Anderson left the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

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Moved by: B. Riddell

THAT Council revert to regular session at 1:20 p.m.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell and
F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

13. ADJOURNMENT

2016/ 92

Moved by: F. Beland-Quest

THAT the Council meeting adjourn at 1:21 p.m.

In Favor R. Carr, V. Bidzinski, B. Botterill, P. Smith, L. Delaine, B. Riddell and
F. Beland-Quest

Carried Unanimously

Mayor

Director, Legislative & Legal Services