

PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 17, 2023
9:00 a.m.
Council Chamber
401 Festival Lane
Sherwood Park, AB

Members Present: Aaron Nelson, Deputy Mayor (Chair)
Robert Parks, Ward 1
Dave Anderson, Ward 2
Lorne Harvey, Ward 3
Bill Tonita, Ward 4
Corey-Ann Hartwick, Ward 6
Glen Lawrence, Ward 7
Katie Berghofer, Ward 8
Rod Frank, Mayor

Administration Present: Jason Chance, Acting Chief Commissioner, Assoc. Commissioner,
Community Services
Jennifer Cannon, Assoc. Commissioner, Corporate Services and Chief
Financial Officer
Stacy Fedechko, Assoc. Commissioner, Infrastructure and Planning Services
Sara McKerry, Manager, Governance Services
Susanne Semchuk, Legislative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Deputy Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with an acknowledgement that Strathcona County is located on Treaty Six Territory and the homeland of the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region Two and Four. Strathcona County honours the First Peoples of this land. We recognize that we stand upon land that carries the footsteps of Cree, Métis, and Blackfoot amongst many other Nations, who have been here for thousands of years. Therefore, Strathcona County has an inherent responsibility to foster healthier relationships with First Peoples and further the Calls to Action as outlined by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Deputy Mayor Nelson conducted roll call and confirmed the remote participation of Councillors Anderson and Berghofer.

2. CHANGES TO AGENDA & ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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Moved by: C. Hartwick

THAT the October 17, 2023 Priorities Committee meeting agenda be adopted as presented.

In Favour (8): R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 September 12, 2023 Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes

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Moved by: C. Hartwick

THAT the September 12, 2023 Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes, be approved.

In Favour (8): R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

4. EMERGING ITEMS

There were no emerging items.

5. REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION

Mayor Frank joined the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

5.1 Supporting Rural Events and Programming for Community Well Being

The Priorities Committee was provided with a presentation from the Josephburg Agricultural Society and the Ardrossan Recreation and Agricultural Society highlighting their contributions to the community.

External Presenters:

Tateum McPherson, Director, Josephburg Agricultural Society

Cara Shan, Director, Ardrossan Recreation & Agricultural Society

5.2 Strathcona County Housing Affordability Strategy Update

The Priorities Committee was provided with an update on the development of the Housing Affordability Strategy.

5.3 Cooking Lake Airport 2023 Update

The Priorities Committee was provided with a summary of key developments impacting the airport and aviation in 2023.

External Presenter:

Jim Johannsson, Director, Cooking Lake Airport

Lawrence Lau, Alberta College of Aeronautics

Don Fraser, Board of Directors, Cooking Lake Airport

5.4 Strathcona County’s Museum & Archives: What Strathma Does and What We Need to Keep Doing It

The Priorities Committee was provided with an update on operations and activities of Strathcona County's Museum & Archives.

External Presenters:

Mathew Levitt, Executive Director, Strathcona County’s Museum & Archives
Aimee Shaw, Vice President, The Strathcona County Heritage Foundation
Dale Smith, Treasurer, The Strathcona County Heritage Foundation

Councillor Anderson left the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

5.5 Strathcona County Accessibility Framework Update

The Priorities Committee was provided with an update on the development of a comprehensive county-wide accessibility framework.

5.6 Supportive Outreach Services Program Update

The Priorities Committee was provided with an update on the status of the Supportive Outreach Services program.

5.7 Watershed Project Updates from the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

The Priorities Committee was provided with an update on watershed projects related to Strathcona County, including the Wetland Strategy, Riparian Policy and natural asset pilot project.

External Presenter:

Mary Ellen Shain, Senior Watershed Planning and Project Coordinator, North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

5.8 Waste Management Roadmap Annual Update 2023

The Priorities Committee was provided with an update on the Waste Management Roadmap, as well as a new provincial regulation related to Extended Producer Responsibility.

6. COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (INFORMATION REQUESTS)

6.1 Councillor Request Report

There were no Information Requests.

After a recess Deputy Mayor Nelson conducted roll call and confirmed the remote participation of Councillor Berghofer.

7. OPEN HOUSE

Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Committee, with some exceptions under the Priorities Committee Bylaw.

S. Young	Bylaw 6-2015 Land Use Bylaw, Part 5: Signs
L. Delainey and B. Weller	Growth and Agriculture
D. Beaudry	A New Seniors Centre in Sherwood Park
C. Crick	Range Roads 224 and 225 Closure
K. Flett	Traffic and Safety Impacts of Range Roads 224 and 225 Closure

8. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

The Committee was provided with the listed reports in this section for information only. Presentations were not heard at the meeting.

- 8.1 2022 Off-Site Development Levies Annual Report
- 8.2 South Strathcona County Functional Planning Study

9. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Nelson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Deputy Mayor

Deputy Clerk, Legislative & Legal Services