

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2024
9:00 a.m.
Council Chamber
401 Festival Lane
Sherwood Park, AB

Members Present: Rod Frank, Mayor
Robert Parks, Ward 1
Dave Anderson, Ward 2
Lorne Harvey, Ward 3
Bill Tonita, Ward 4
Aaron Nelson, Ward 5
Corey-Ann Hartwick, Ward 6
Glen Lawrence, Ward 7
Katie Berghofer, Ward 8

Administration Present: Darrell Reid, Chief Commissioner
Jonathan Stoeck, Acting Assoc. Commissioner, Corporate Services and Chief
Financial Officer
Jason Chance, Assoc. Commissioner, Community Services
Stacy Fedechko, Assoc. Commissioner, Infrastructure and Planning Services
Sara McKerry, Manager, Governance Services
Susanne Semchuk, Legislative Officer
Mina Barnes, Legislative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Frank called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Frank conducted roll call and confirmed the remote participation of Councillor Berghofer.

2. CHANGES TO AGENDA & ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2024/ 71

Moved by: C. Hartwick

THAT the March 12, 2024 Council meeting agenda be adopted with the following changes:

- Change the order of Closed Session agenda items to deal with item 3.3 The Great Gran Fondo before item 3.2 Hydrogen Hub Update.
- Change the order of the Open Session agenda items to deal with item 9.2 Property Tax Relief – Roll 7309039006 before item 9.1 Property Tax Relief – Roll 1107701003 – March 2024 Update.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

3. CLOSED SESSION

2024/ 72

Moved by: C. Hartwick

THAT Council meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* sections 21, 24, 25 and 27 at 9:01 a.m.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

Councillor Berghofer provided confirmation that they could maintain confidentiality while participating remotely.

3.1 Chief Commissioner - Introduction of Topics

3.3 The Great Canadian Gran Fondo
FOIP Section 25, economic interests of the municipality

Name	Reason/ Purpose
Darrell Reid	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jonathan Stoeck	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Chance	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Stacy Fedechko	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Sara McKerry	Legislative Advice/ Clerk
Mina Barnes	Meeting Support
Sean McRitchie	Presenter
Diane Yanch	Necessary to perform role
Adam Holm	Necessary to perform role
Brittney McClinton	Necessary to perform role

- 3.2 Hydrogen Hub Update
FOIP Section 21, harmful to intergovernmental relations
FOIP Section 25, economic interests of the municipality

Name	Reason/ Purpose
Darrell Reid	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jonathan Stoeck	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Chance	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Stacy Fedechko	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Sara McKerry	Legislative Advice/ Clerk
Mina Barnes	Meeting Support
Robert Stephenson	Presenter
Jackie Porayko	To answer questions
Sean McRitchie	To answer questions
Adam Holm	Necessary to perform role
Brittney McClinton	Necessary to perform role

- 3.4 Pioneer Housing Foundation Update on Fir Street Agreement Q1 2024
FOIP Section 24, advice from officials
FOIP Section 25, economic interests of the municipality
FOIP Section 27, legal privilege

Name	Reason/ Purpose
Darrell Reid	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jonathan Stoeck	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Chance	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Stacy Fedechko	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Sara McKerry	Legislative Advice/ Clerk
Mina Barnes	Meeting Support
Robert Parks	Presenter
Lana Fleming	To answer questions
Danielle Wilson	Legal Advice
Brittney McClinton	Necessary to perform role

- 3.5 Update on Public Hearing Procedures
FOIP Section 24, advice from officials
FOIP Section 27, legal privilege

Name	Reason/ Purpose
Darrell Reid	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jonathan Stoeck	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Chance	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Stacy Fedechko	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Sara McKerry	Legislative Advice/ Clerk
Mina Barnes	Meeting Support
Danielle Wilson	Legal Advice/ Presenter
Sara McKerry	Presenter
Brittney McClinton	Necessary to perform role

2024/ 73**Moved by:** C. Hartwick

THAT Council revert to open session at 10:45 a.m. and recess until 2:00 p.m.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried**4. PROTOCOL ITEMS****4.1 Territorial Acknowledgement**

The Mayor re-convened the Council meeting 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.

4.2 Proclamations

No proclamations were presented at the meeting.

5. MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**3.4 Pioneer Housing Foundation Update on Fir Street Agreement Q1 2024****2024/ 74****Moved by:** C. Hartwick

THAT Council in its capacity as sole member of Pioneer Housing Foundation approve an amendment to the agreement with Heartland Housing Foundation on the Fir Street (former Clover Bar Lodge) site to extend the condition precedent waiver dates from March 31, 2024 to May 31, 2024 to allow Heartland Housing Foundation sufficient time to meet conditions, including any necessary rezoning, and to adjust all other obligation dates as set out in enclosure 1; and

THAT enclosure 1 remain confidential pursuant to sections 24, 25 and 27 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

2024/ 75

Moved by: C. Hartwick

THAT Council approve the following agenda items without debate:

7.1

Confirmation of Minutes from Recent Meetings

That the February 14, 2024 and the February 27, 2024 Council meeting minutes be approved.

9.3

Status of Report – Promotion and Support for Arts and Cultural Activities in Strathcona County

THAT the Promotion and Support for Arts and Cultural Activities in Strathcona County report be prepared for Council by the revised date of June 25, 2024.

ACTION: Recreation, Parks and Culture
DUE BY: June 25, 2024

11.2

Expenditure of Council Priority Funds – Bev Facey Community High School

THAT an expenditure of \$12,000.00 from Council Priority Funds as follows:

Mayor Rod Frank	\$925.00
Councillor Robert Parks	\$1,000.00
Councillor Dave Anderson	\$2,000.00
Councillor Lorne Harvey	\$2,000.00
Councillor Bill Tonita	\$1,000.00
Councillor Aaron Nelson	\$500.00
Councillor Corey-Ann Hartwick	\$500.00
Councillor Glen Lawrence	\$500.00
Councillor Katie Berghofer	\$3,575.00

for the purpose of providing funds to Bev Facey Community High School for costs associated with building materials and technology needs, be approved.

11.3

Expenditure of Council Priority Funds – Gilmore Park Community League

THAT an expenditure of \$1,000.00 from Council Priority Funds as follows:

Councillor Dave Anderson	\$1,000.00
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for the purpose of providing funds to the Gilmore Park Community League for costs associated with a Glen Allan community newsletter, be approved.

11.4

Expenditure of Council Priority Funds – Sherwood Park Kings Athletic Club

THAT an expenditure of \$1,500.00 from Council Priority Funds as follows:

Mayor Rod Frank	\$225.00
Councillor Dave Anderson	\$200.00
Councillor Bill Tonita	\$200.00
Councillor Corey-Ann Hartwick	\$250.00
Councillor Glen Lawrence	\$125.00
Councillor Katie Berghofer	\$500.00

for the purpose of providing funds to the Sherwood Park Kings Athletic Club for costs associated with hosting a Female Hockey Day, be approved.

11.5

Expenditure of Council Priority Funds – Sherwood Park United Church

THAT an expenditure of \$3,608.00 from Council Priority Funds as follows:

Mayor Rod Frank	\$375.00
Councillor Robert Parks	\$750.00
Councillor Dave Anderson	\$500.00
Councillor Lorne Harvey	\$808.00
Councillor Bill Tonita	\$300.00
Councillor Aaron Nelson	\$350.00
Councillor Corey-Ann Hartwick	\$275.00
Councillor Glen Lawrence	\$250.00

for the purpose of providing funds to Sherwood Park United Church for costs associated with hosting a collaborative 8-Church Ecumenical Mission event, be approved.

11.6

Expenditure of Council Priority Funds – Cooking Lake Moraine Stewardship Society

THAT an expenditure of \$6,000.00 from Council Priority Funds as follows:

Mayor Rod Frank	\$575.00
Councillor Robert Parks	\$800.00
Councillor Dave Anderson	\$500.00
Councillor Lorne Harvey	\$500.00
Councillor Bill Tonita	\$500.00
Councillor Aaron Nelson	\$500.00
Councillor Corey-Ann Hartwick	\$700.00
Councillor Glen Lawrence	\$1,425.00
Councillor Katie Berghofer	\$500.00

for the purpose of providing funds to Cooking Lake Moraine Stewardship Society for costs associated with hosting a rural Strathcona public engagement forum, be approved.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

8. COUNCIL PRIORITIES

8.1 Review of Proposed Remembrance Day Recognition

2024/ 76

Moved by: R. Parks

THAT Administration prepare a report for Council's consideration by the end of July 2024 with additional options, such as but not limited to commemorative themed wraps on utility boxes, options to highlight the existing Cenotaph, and naming opportunities, to further recognize veterans in Strathcona County.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

**ACTION: Transportation Engineering and Operations
and Recreation, Parks and Culture**

DUE BY: July 23, 2024

8.2 Strathcona County Emergency Services Wildland Urban Interface Update

Council was provided with an update on the Wildland Urban Interface Program.

9. REQUESTS FOR DECISION

9.2 Property Tax Relief – Roll 7309039006

S. Mandrusiak made a presentation and answered Council's questions.

2024/ 77

Moved by: K. Berghofer

THAT a refund request for 2023 penalties imposed in the amount of \$658.34 pertaining to roll number 7309039006, be approved.

In Favour (7): R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Opposed (2): R. Frank, and B. Tonita

Carried

9.1 Property Tax Relief – Roll 1107701003 – March 2024 Update

K. Fabro made a presentation and answered Council's questions.

2024/ 78

Moved by: G. Lawrence

THAT a cancellation request for 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 taxes, penalties and charges imposed in the amount of \$20,018.81 pertaining to roll number 1107701003, be denied.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

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

11.1 Councillor Request Report

There were no information requests.

2024/ 79

Moved by: R. Parks

THAT pursuant to section 132 of Meeting Procedures Bylaw 21-2021, permission be granted to allow Councillor Tonita to make a motion without notice to endorse Councillor Berghofer to stand for election on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board of Directors.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

2024/ 80

Moved by: B. Tonita

THAT Councillor Katie Berghofer be endorsed to stand for election on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Board of Directors (Table Officer as 3rd Vice President) for the period starting in June 2024 and ending June 2025, provided they remain a member of Council;

THAT if Councillor Katie Berghofer is elected to the FCM Board of Directors, that all costs associated with attendance at these meetings be funded by Strathcona County through fiscal services; and

THAT the costs associated with Councillor Berghofer's campaign, up to \$5000, be funded by Strathcona County from fiscal services.

2024/ 81

Amendment Moved by: L. Harvey

THAT the motion be amended to replace "\$5000" with "\$3000".

In Favour (7): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, and G. Lawrence

Opposed (2): B. Tonita, and K. Berghofer

Carried

2024/ 80

Main Motion, as Amended, Put to Vote

THAT Councillor Katie Berghofer be endorsed to stand for election on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Board of Directors (Table Officer as 3rd Vice President) for the period starting in June 2024 and ending June 2025, provided they remain a member of Council;

THAT if Councillor Katie Berghofer is elected to the FCM Board of Directors, that all costs associated with attendance at these meetings be funded by Strathcona County through fiscal services; and

THAT the costs associated with Councillor Berghofer's campaign, up to \$3000, be funded by Strathcona County from fiscal services.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Clerk provided an overview of the Public Hearing procedure as required.

The Public Hearings for Bylaw 24-2022 and Bylaw 26-2022 were held concurrently with no objections.

10.1 Revised Bylaw 24-2022 Panorama Estates Area Structure Plan (Ward 6)

2024/ 87

Moved by: R. Parks

THAT the deadline for submission of written responses in Section 119 of the Meeting Procedures Bylaw be suspended to allow the late addition of the written submissions from P. and K. Ouwerkerk, C. Harness, M. Figueria and W. Kading.

In Favour (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Carried

The Mayor convened the Public Hearing for Bylaw 24-2022 and Bylaw 26-2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Administration made a presentation on the bylaw. Administration then answered Council's questions.

Council heard from the following speakers:

M. Figueira	in favour
D. Deshpande	in favour
J. Althouse	in favour
C. Harness	opposed
S. Harness	opposed
W. Kading	opposed
B. Herman	opposed
R. Day	opposed
D. Singh	in favour
B. Dhaliwal	in favour
S. Dosangh	in favour
G. Chela	in favour
G. Singh	in favour
J. Toronchuk	opposed
N. Stenzel	in favour
S. Sekyer	opposed
M. Krause	opposed
W. Wittmeier	opposed

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing for Bylaw 24-2022 and Bylaw 26-2022 at 9:40 p.m.

Administration answered subsequent questions from Council.

2024/ 88

Moved by: R. Parks

THAT Bylaw 24-2022, a bylaw to adopt the Panorama Estates ASP, be given first reading.

Opposed (9): R. Frank, R. Parks, D. Anderson, L. Harvey, B. Tonita, A. Nelson, C. Hartwick, G. Lawrence, and K. Berghofer

Defeated

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Frank declared the meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

Mayor

Deputy Clerk, Legislative & Legal Services