

PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2024
9:00 a.m.
Council Chamber
401 Festival Lane
Sherwood Park, AB

Members Present: Glen Lawrence, Deputy Mayor (Chair)
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
Katie Berghofer, Ward 8
Rod Frank, Mayor

Administration Present: Darrell Reid, Chief Commissioner
Jennifer Cannon, 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

1. CALL TO ORDER & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Deputy Mayor Lawrence 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.

2. CHANGES TO AGENDA & ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2024/ P 15

Moved by: K. Berghofer

THAT the June 18, 2024 Priorities Committee meeting agenda be adopted as presented.

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

Carried

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 June 4, 2024 Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes

2024/ P 16

Moved by: C. Hartwick

THAT the June 4, 2024 Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes 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

4. EMERGING ITEMS

There were no emerging items.

5. CLOSED SESSION

2024/ P 17

Moved by: R. Parks

THAT the Priorities Committee meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* sections 24, 25 and 27, at 9:02 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

5.1 Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Update
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
Jennifer Cannon	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Chance	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Stacy Fedechko	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Sara McKerry	Legislative Advice/ Clerk
Susanne Semchuk	Meeting Support
Sharry Sowiak	Presenter
Sharla Mishna	To answer questions
Wade Coombs	To answer questions
C. Kassongo	Presenter
Danielle Wilson	Necessary to perform role
Mavis Nathoo	Necessary to perform role
Adam Holm	Necessary to perform role
Brittney McClinton	Necessary to perform role

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Moved by: D. Anderson

THAT the Priorities Committee revert to open session at 9:38 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

6. REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION

6.1 Update on Hydrogen in Strathcona County

The Priorities Committee was provided an update on recent activities and growth potential in Strathcona County's local hydrogen economy.

6.2 Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators (CAMA) Awards of Excellence

CAMA President Tony Kulbisky presented Strathcona County with the Environmental Leadership and Sustainability Award for the HodgePodge Lodge and the Municipal Inspiring Workplace Award for the People Plan.

External Presenter:

Tony Kulbisky, CAO, Westlock County and President, Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators

6.3 Accessibility Framework - Toward Inclusion For All

The Priorities Committee was provided a report on the Accessibility Framework.

6.4 Climate Resilience Plan

The Priorities Committee was provided with an overview of the Climate Resilience Plan, "Degrees of Resilience: Our Climate Adaptation Compass."

6.5 Whistleblower Policy and Hotline

The Priorities Committee was provided an overview on the proposed GOV-002-046 Whistleblower Policy.

After a recess, Deputy Mayor Lawrence reconvened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. with all committee members present with the exception of Councillor Anderson.

6.6 Dow Canada Update

The Priorities Committee was provided an update on Dow's operations and Path2Zero expansion in Fort Saskatchewan, including planned activities in 2024.

External Presenters:

Don Cameron, Site Director, Vice-President, Dow Canada
Ryan Weyland, Site Integration Director, Dow Canada
Michael Liu, Public Affairs Lead, Alberta Operations, Dow Canada

6.7 STARS Annual Update to Strathcona County Priorities Committee

The Priorities Committee was provided an update on STARS and pertinent statistics regarding County residents.

External Presenter:

Glenda Farnden, Senior Municipal Relations Liaison, Shock Trauma Air Rescue Service (STARS) Foundation

Josh Nash, Alberta Provincial Director, Shock Trauma Air Rescue Service (STARS) Foundation

7. COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (INFORMATION REQUESTS)

7.1 Councillor Request Report

There were no Information Requests.

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 Commemorative Names Registry Task Force Final Report

9. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Lawrence declared the meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Deputy Mayor

Deputy Clerk, Legislative & Legal Services