



**MINUTES OF THE ORGAIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO HELD IN THE VIRTUAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON OCTOBER 13, 2020**

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**PRESENT**

MAYOR

Ron Wickson

COUNCILLORS

Doug Barlow

Kevin Jones

Irv Morey

Tom Rose

John Slomp

STAFF

Amanda Davis – Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

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Sandra Stanway – Brooks Bulletin

Madeleine Baldwin - ORRSC

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by CAO Davis at 6:25 p.m.

**2. NOMINATIONS/ELECTION FOR MAYOR**

CAO Davis opened the floor for nominations for the position of Mayor.

**COUNCILLOR MOREY** nominated **RON WICKSON** for the position of Mayor.

Since there were no other nominations from the floor, **COUNCILLOR ROSE** called for nominations to cease.

CAO Davis declared Ron Wickson as Mayor for a one-year period commencing on October 13, 2020. Ron Wickson accepted.

Mayor Wickson resumed the meeting.

**3. NOMINATION/ELECTION FOR DEPUTY MAYOR**

Mayor Wickson opened the floor for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor.

**COUNCILLOR ROSE** nominated **IRV MOREY** for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Since there were no other nominations from the floor, **MAYOR WICKSON** called for nominations to cease.

Mayor Wickson declared Irv Morey as Deputy Mayor for a one-year period commencing on October 13, 2020. Irv Morey accepted.

**4. COMMITTEE & BOARD REPRESENTATION**

**255/20** Moved by **COUNCILLOR ROSE** that council approve the list of committee and board members as follows:

<b>Committees</b>	<b>2020/21 Appointed</b>	<b>2020/21 Alt. Liaison</b>
Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board	VACANT	n/a
Director Emergency Management	Stewart Luchies	n/a
Deputy Director of Emergency Management	Amanda Davis, Sharon Zacharias, Yvonne Cosh, John Nesbitt	n/a
Regional Emergency Management Agency (new)	Ron Wickson	Irv Morey
Mayor & Reeves Meetings	Ron Wickson	Irv Morey
Municipal Planning Commission	Sonya Proctor	
<b>Board Representatives</b>		
Ag Society ( 2 meetings)	Doug Barlow	Irv Morey
B.A.R.R.A. (4 meetings)	Doug Barlow	John Slomp
Bassano Bowling, Curling & Golf Clubs	Irv Morey	Tom Rose
Bassano & District Centennial Arena (1 meeting)	Irv Morey	Kevin Jones
Bassano & Rural Area Fire Committee	Doug Barlow & Tom Rose	
Bassano Memorial Library	Kevin Jones	n/a
Community Futures - Wild Rose	Irv Morey	Ron Wickson
F.C.S.S.	Kevin Jones	Ron Wickson

Joint Shared Services	Ron Wickson	Irv Morey
Newell 911	Tom Rose	Doug Barlow
Newell Foundation	Ron Wickson	Tom Rose/Irv Morey
Newell Regional Services Corporation	Kevin Jones	Tom Rose
Newell Regional Solid Waste Management Authority	John Slomp	Doug Barlow
Newell Regional Tourism Association	John Slimp	Irv Morey
Oldman River Regional Services Commission	Tom Rose	Ron Wickson
Palliser Economic Partnership	Irv Morey	Kevin Jones
Recreation Complex Management (1 meeting)	Doug Barlow	Tom Rose
Recreation Funding Committee per ICF x 2	Doug Barlow & Irv Morey	
Shortgrass Library System	Kevin Jones	Irv Morey

**CARRIED**

**5. APPOINTMENT OF PROFESIONALS**

- 256/20** Moved by **COUNCILLOR MOREY** that council appoint the following Professional Services to:
- a) Assessor – Benchmark Assessment Services
  - b) Auditor – KPMG LLP
  - c) Engineering – MPE Engineering
  - d) Legal Counsel – pending on matters arising
  - e) Planning Commission – Oldman River Regional Services Commission
  - f) Bylaw Enforcement – County of Newell

**CARRIED**

- 257/20** Moved by **MAYOR WICKSON** that the Town of Bassano’s accounts be conducted with the following financial institutions:
- a) Bank and credit card accounts – Chinook Financial
  - b) Investment Accounts – Bank of Montreal (BMO) Nesbitt Burns
  - c) Scholarship Chequing Accounts for Shydowski – Chinook Financial
  - d) Shydowski Scholarship Investment Account - Bank of Montreal (BMO) Nesbitt Burns
  - e) Interac – Global Payments
  - f) Online banking – Chinook Financial, Scotia Bank, Alberta Treasury Branch (ATB) Financial, Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) and Toronto Dominion (TD).

**CARRIED**

**6. SIGNING AUTHORITY**

- 258/20** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that council authorizes the Chief Administrative

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 Mayor  
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Officer together with the Mayor or Deputy Mayor to sign cheques and documents on behalf of the Town of Bassano.

**CARRIED**

**7. MEETING DATES**

**7.1 Regular council meeting dates.**

**259/20** Moved by **COUNCILLOR BARLOW** that council agrees to conduct regular meetings of council on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. except if the second Monday is a holiday then the meeting will be held on the next regular business day.

**CARRIED**

**7.2 Municipal Planning Commission meeting dates.**

**260/20** Moved by **COUNCILLOR BARLOW** that Municipal Planning Commission meetings are held when possible in conjunction with regular meetings of council. In instances where this is not possible, the Municipal Planning Commission meetings will be held as required.

**CARRIED**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**261/20** Mayor Wickson adjourned the organizational council meeting of October 13, 2020 at 6:55 p.m.

**CARRIED**



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Mayor



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Chief Administrative Officer