Regular Council Meeting November 8, 2021



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO HELD IN PERSON ON NOVEMBER 8, 2021 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

MAYOR

DEPUTY MAYOR COUNCILLORS

Irvin Morey John Slomp

Kevin Jones Sydney Miller

Mike Wetzstein (Virtual)

STAFF

Amanda Davis, Chief Administrative Officer Lonnie Raymond, Public Works Supervisor

OTHER

Sandra Stanway, Brooks Bulletin

CALL TO ORDER 1.

Mayor Morey called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m.

2. **EXCUSED FROM MEETING**

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

TOB256/21

Moved by DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP that the agenda is approved with the deletion of delegation 5.2 Cpl. Sebastian Andrews, RCMP and old business 6.1 2021 - Tax Recovery Auction - Actions.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Adoption of minutes from the regular meeting of October 12, 2021

TOB257/21

Moved by COUNCILLOR JONES that council approves the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 12, 2021 as presented.

CARRIED

4.2 Adoption of minutes from the organizational meeting of October 22, 2021

TOB258/21

Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that council approves the minutes of the

organizational meeting held on October 22, 2021 as presented.

CARRIED

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5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 Lonnie Raymond, Public Works Supervisor at 6:00 p.m.

Raymond entered the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Raymond was introduced to the council and provided an update on public works activities.

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Discussion ensued.

Raymond departed at 6:44 p.m.

5.2 Cpl. Sebastian Andrews, RCMP at 6:30 p.m. - Deletion

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1 2021 - Tax Recovery Auction - Actions - Deletion

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 2022 Municipal Budget – Information Guide

An orientation session was held to review Part 8 of the *Municipal Government Act* and the Town's strategic plan 2019-2026 in preparation to undertake the 2022 municipal budget process.

7.2 Council Department 2022 – 2024 Budget – Proposed/Projected

The council department 2022 - 2024 budgets were presented for an open discussion.

TOB259/21 Moved by COUNCILLOR JONES to recess the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

CARRIED

TOB260/21 Moved by DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP to revert to a regular meeting at 7:43 p.m.

CARRIED

TOB261/21 Moved by DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP that the Councillor Honorarium, Benefits, and Expense Policy P-TOB11/001-21 is amended to include a \$25 per meeting increase to

honorariums effective immediately.

CARRIED

TOB262/21 Moved by COUNCILLOR MILLER that the Town prioritizes the advancement of the

Bassano Project (continuing care campus) managed by the Newell Housing

Foundation and that council authorizes Deputy Mayor Slomp (appointed), and Mayor Morey (alternate) the flexibility to attend meetings to do so in accordance with the operating

budget.

CARRIED

TOB263/21 Moved by MAYOR MOREY directing administration to engage with the CAO of the

Newell Housing Foundation to debrief the Bassano Project (continuing care campus) to

support the Town's interest in advancing the project.

CARRIED

7.3 Bassano Fire Department 2022 – 2024 Budget – Proposed/Projected

The Bassano Fire Department 2022 – 2024 budgets were presented.

Mayor 13/12/21

CAO 13/12/21

TOB264/21

Moved by COUNCILLOR JONES that council approves the 2022 fire department budget as presented and the 2023-2024 budget projections as information as recommended by the Bassano & Rural Fire Area Committee.

CARRIED

TOB265/21

Moved by COUNCILLOR MILLER that council approves the recommendation of Fire Chief Cochrane and appoints Katelyn Lewis as a member of the volunteer fire department effective immediately.

CARRIED

7.4 Disaster Services Department 2022 - 2024 Budget - Proposed/Projected

The disaster services department 2022 - 2024 budgets were presented for an open discussion.

7.5 Bylaw Enforcement Department 2022 - 2024 Budget - Proposed/Projected

The bylaw enforcement department 2022 - 2024 budgets were presented for an open discussion.

8. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 - 8.6Written board and committee reports were presented and discussed.

TOB267/21

Moved by DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP to accept the Board and Committee reports as presented and attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

CARRIED

9. CAO REPORTS

9.1 **Operations Report**

A written CAO report was provided for the period ending November 5, 2021.

9.2 **Financial Statements**

A financial statement for the period ending September 30, 2021 was presented.

9.3 **Cheque Listings**

Cheque listing for the month ending September 30, 2021 was presented.

FCSS Report 9.4

A Director report for the period ending October 31, 2021 was presented.

9.5 **CPO Report**

A CPO report for the month ending October 31, 2021 was presented.

9.6 **RCMP Report**

None

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TOB268/21

Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that the CAO report for the period ending November 5, 2021 is approved as presented and discussed as attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- **10.1** Bassano Public Library minutes of September 14, 2021 were presented.
- **10.2** A request for approval to proceed with the Christmas Light-up in the Campground 2021 was presented.

TOB269/21

Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the Town supports the request received by Christina Morey dated September 25, 2021 to allow for the 2021 Christmas Light-up in the Campground between December 10, 2021 and January 10, 2022. The Town will provide power for the event. Volunteers are responsible to ensure the park is cleaned-up by January 10, 2022.

CARRIED

- 10.3 Alberta Infrastructure provided an updated regarding Alberta Transportation's the Commercial Safety Rest Area project. The project is still being considered and the government is issuing a negotiated request for proposals.
- 10.4 Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC) executive minutes of September 9, 2021 were presented.
- 10.5 ORRSC executive minutes of July 8, 2021 were presented.
- 10.6 ORRSC AGM minutes of June 3, 2021 were presented.
- **10.7** Fortis Alberta provided a letter of congratulations to the new council of Bassano.
- **10.8** Siksika Chief and Council provided a letter of congratulations to the new council of Bassano.
- **10.9** Newell Regional Services Corporation provided notification of a water rate increase. The 2022 water rate will be \$1.05/m3.
- **10.10** AUMA Towns South representative provided a letter of congratulations to the new council of Bassano.
- **10.11** A resident opinion letter was received from Ken Riley dated October 18, 2021.
- **10.12** Notification was provided regarding the 2021 fall AUMA convention.

TOB270/21 Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** to accept the correspondence and to file the items as information.

CARRIED

11. CLOSED SESSION

None

12. ROUND TABLE

A round table discussion was held. Discussion ensued.

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CAO 13/12/21

13. ADJOURNMENT

TOB271/21

Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** for adjournment of the regular council meeting of November 8, 2021 at 9:30 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor 13/12/21 CAO 13/12/21