



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO
HELD IN PERSON ON MARCH 11, 2024 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

ELECTED OFFICIALS

MAYOR Irvin Morey
DEPUTY MAYOR John Slomp
COUNCILLORS Kevin Jones
Sydney Miller
Mike Wetzstein

STAFF Amanda Davis, Chief Administrative Officer

DELEGATES/PUBLIC Israel Wasserman, Auditor (virtual)
Cpl. Clayton Mamchur, Bassano RCMP
Sandra Stanway, Brooks Bulletin (virtual)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Morey called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. EXCUSED FROM MEETING

- John Slomp
- Sydney Miller

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

TOB18/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that the agenda is approved as presented with the following additions, 10.10 Bassano Arts Council – 2024 DamFest and 11.1 Closed Session, Land.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Adoption of minutes from the regular meeting of February 5, 2024


TOB19/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the February 5, 2024 minutes are approved as presented.

CARRIED


5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 JDP Wasserman, Israel Wasserman, Auditor – 2023 Audited Financial Statement

Wasserman entered the meeting at 6:37 p.m.



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Councillor Miller entered the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Wasserman presented to Town of Bassano's audited financial statement for the year ending December 31, 2023. A Q&A session ensued.

TOB20/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the Town of Bassano's audited financial statement for the year ending December 31, 2023 is approved as presented.

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Wasserman departed the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

5.2 Bassano RCMP, Cpl. Mamchur

Cpl. Mamchur entered the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Cpl. Mamchur presented the 2023 – Q3 RCMP stats. A Q&A session ensued.

Cpl. Mamchur departed the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1 STARS – Financial Contribution Request

TOB21/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that the Town provides a financial contribution of \$1.00 per capita to STARS for 2024. Council will assess the continuation of a financial contribution annually during budget deliberations. In addition to the financial contribution, council invites STARS to attend the annual Small Town Smoke Down BBQ Competition with a fundraising booth at no charge forming an extended partnership.

CARRIED

TOB22/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** to recess the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

CARRIED


TOB23/24 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** to reconvene the meeting at 7:27 p.m.


CARRIED

6.2 BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Projects

TOB24/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that as a continuation of the BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Projects:

1. Council gives first reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 937/24 as presented.
2. That only one serviceable Residential Manufactured lot is created at 822 – 5A Avenue (Plan 151 0415; Block 52; Lot 6PUL) with the intention of encouraging higher density development.
3. That council directs administration to engage the potential buyer seeking a 5 acre parcel south of the tracks and to develop an area that accommodates the sale ensuring the proposed development has estate assessment. Negotiation is dependent upon several variables including municipal service capacity,


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development standards, and the cost allocation of consolidating what was planned as two lots.

4. That council acknowledges the airport subdivision and development area is added to the BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Project portfolio.
5. Finally, that council sets an interim budget of \$75,000 for the BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Projects bundle for planning and design. The budget allocation is directed from the Land and Development Reserve.

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 (33) 2024 Airport Budget Review

The 2024 airport budget was presented and discussed.

7.2 (72b) 2024 Parks & Recreation Department Budget Review

The 2024 parks and recreation department budget was presented and discussed.

8. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

TOB25/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** to accept the Board and Committee reports as 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 February 29, 2024.

9.2 Financial Statements

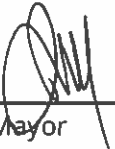
A financial statement for the months ending December 31, 2023 and January 31, 2024 were presented.

9.3 Cheque Listings


A cheque listing for the months ending December 31, 2023 and January 31, 2024 were presented.

9.4 FCSS Report

An FCSS Director's report for the month ending February 29, 2024 was presented.



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TOB26/24 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that council appoints Matt Kelly as a volunteer member of the FCSS board effective immediately as recommended by Advisory Board.

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9.5 Recreation & Community Services Liaison Report

A Recreation and Community Services Liaison report for the month ending February 29, 2024 was presented.

9.6 CPO Report

A CPO Report for the period ending February 29, 2024 was presented.

9.7 RCMP Report

None

TOB27/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the CAO report for the period ending February 29, 2024 is approved as presented and discussed as attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 The Fallen Heros Foundation sought a financial contribution from the Town as part of the Hometown Heros Project.

10.2 Newell Housing Foundation minutes of January 8, 2024 were reviewed.

10.3 The National Police Federation sought a letter of support from the Town to lobby for additional financial supports for RCMP from the provincial government.

10.4 BARRA Annual General Meeting minutes of February 13, 2024 were reviewed.

10.5 The Brooks & District Resiliency Committee sought a proclamation from the Town for April 14-20, 2024 as Resiliency Week.

TOB28/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that the council proclaims April 14-20, 2024 as Resiliency Week in Bassano.

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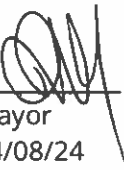
10.6 Alberta Emergency Management Agency's quarterly management newsletter was reviewed.

10.7 Alberta Municipal Affairs invites municipalities to complete a survey pertaining to the Intermunicipal Collaboration Frameworks by April 12, 2024.


10.8 Joint Shared Services meeting notes of February 13, 2024 were reviewed.

10.9 Alberta Municipal Affairs invites submissions for the 2024 Minister's Awards for Municipal and Public Library Excellence by April 15, 2024.

10.10 The Bassano Arts Council sought partnership with the Town of Bassano to apply for and Alberta Culture Days grant to host the 2024 DamFest.



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TOB29/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the Town partners with the Bassano Arts Council to host 2024 DamFest and provides letters in support for an application to Alberta Culture Days grant program.

CARRIED

TOB30/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** to accept the correspondence and to file the items as information.

CARRIED

TOB31/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** to recess the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

CARRIED

TOB32/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** to reconvene the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

CARRIED

11. CLOSED SESSION

TOB33/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** to enter a closed session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss land matters in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Privacy Act (FOIP) Section 25 (1)(c)* with all persons excluded except Town Council and CAO Davis.

CARRIED

TOB34/24 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** to revert to a regular meeting at 8:53 p.m.

CARRIED

TOB35/24 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** to accept closed session discussion regarding land matters as information.

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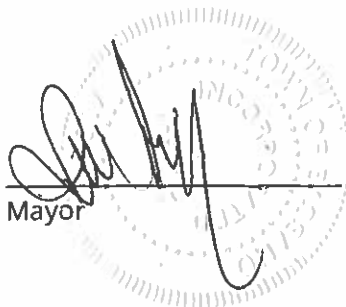
12. ROUND TABLE

A round table discussion was held.

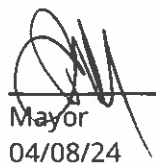
13. ADJOURNMENT

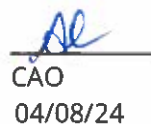
TOB36/24 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** for adjournment of the regular council meeting of March 11, 2024 at 8:54 p.m.

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