



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO  
HELD IN PERSON ON **APRIL 8, 2024** IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

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**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

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

STAFF	Amanda Davis, Chief Administrative Officer
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DELEGATES/PUBLIC	Rhonda Barron, PACE Canada LP (virtual) Sandra Stanway, Brooks Bulletin (virtual) Zane Shaw, Royal LePage Darrel McCoomb, Resident Ian Patterson, Resident
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Morey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. EXCUSED FROM MEETING**

- None

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**TOB37/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that the agenda is approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**4.1 Adoption of minutes from the regular meeting of March 11, 2024**

**TOB38/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that the March 11, 2024 minutes are approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**5. DELEGATIONS**

**5.1 PACE Canada LP, Rhonda Barron**

Barron entered the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Barron provided an update on PACE Canada LP next steps to advance

their interest in a solar farm at SE ¼ 18-4-18-21W4M. A Q&A session ensued.

Barron departed the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

## **5.2 Public Hearing – Land Use Bylaw Amendment 937/24**

Mayor Morey called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

CAO Davis presented the Land Use Bylaw Amendment 937/24 and a discussion was held regarding the proposed land use zone from what was proposed as Residential Manufactured (RM) to Medium Density Residential (R2). The floor was opened for comments.

Mayor Morey closed the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

## **6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **6.1 BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Projects**

**TOB39/24** Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that as a continuation of the BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Projects, council gives second reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 937/24 as amended.

**CARRIED**

**TOB40/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that as a continuation of the BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Projects council gives third reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 937/24.

**CARRIED**

**TOB41/24** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that as a continuation of the BUILD Bassano – 2024 Development Projects, that the town continues to plan the airport subdivision and development with the understanding that the county may not be a capital partner.

**CARRIED**

### **6.2 Public Lands Watering Policy P-TOB41/001-22**

**TOB42/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the Public Lands Watering Policy P-TOB041/001-22 is approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

### **6.3 BARRA – Capital Asset**

**TOB43/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the Town provides financial support of up to \$50,000 to BARRA to reach a breakeven for its dissolution in exchange for the building located at 701 – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue; the Town will take ownership of the building as a new public works asset. The transaction will be funded from the Municipal Services Reserve. Upon completion of the transaction, administration shall have the parks and recreation shop at 317 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue cleaned and posted for a lease.

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**CARRIED**

**TOB44/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** to recess the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**TOB45/24** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** to reconvene the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**6.4 2024 Municipal Budget Finalization**

**TOB46/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that a special council meeting is held on April 24, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to address the tax rate bylaw as discussed.

**CARRIED**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**8. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

**TOB47/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** 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 March 31, 2024.

**9.2 Financial Statements**

A financial statement for the month ending February 29, 2024 was presented.

**9.3 Cheque Listings**

A cheque listing for the month ending February 29, 2024 was presented.

**9.4 FCSS Report**

An FCSS Director's report for the month ending March 31, 2024 was presented.

**9.5 Recreation & Community Services Liaison Report**

A Recreation and Community Services Liaison report for the month ending March 31, 2024 was presented.

**9.6 CPO Report**

A CPO Report for the period ending March 31, 2024 was presented.

**9.7 RCMP Report**

None

**TOB48/24** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the CAO report for the period ending March 31, 2024 is approved as presented and discussed as attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

**CARRIED**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10.1** The BARRA financial statement for the year ending December 31, 2023 was reviewed.

**10.2** Newell Housing Foundation minutes of February 6, 2024 were reviewed.

**10.3** Notification from Alberta Municipal Affairs was received regarding the Assessment Model Review dated March 18, 2024.

**10.4** Notification from Alberta Municipal Affairs was received regarding the Provincial Education Credit Program Extension.

**10.5** A letter was received from Alberta Environment and Protected Areas regarding water sharing negotiations.

**10.6** Newell Housing Foundation minutes of March 19, 2024 were reviewed.

**10.7** Joint Shared Services meeting notes of March 12, 2024 were reviewed.

**TOB49/24** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that the Town of Bassano provides a letter in support of the Brooks Newell Region Hydrogen Hub Project as recommended by Joint Shared Services.

**CARRIED**

**TOB50/24** 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.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**TOB51/24** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** for adjournment of the regular council meeting of April 8, 2024 at 9:10 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer

Approved

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Mayor  
05/13/24

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