



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO
HELD IN PERSON ON MAY 12, 2025 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
Sydney Smith, Recreation & Community Services Liaison

DELEGATES/PUBLIC Sandra Stanway, Brooks Bulletin
Mike Maguire, Small Town Square
Paul Bohnet, AB CTS Academy

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. EXCUSED FROM MEETING

- Sydney Miller

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

TOB62/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the agenda is approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Adoption of minutes from the regular meeting of April 14, 2025


TOB63/25 Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that the April 14, 2025 minutes are approved as presented.

CARRIED


5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 AB CTS Academy – Paul Bohnet 6:45 p.m.

Paul Bohnet entered the meeting at 6:46 p.m.



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Bohnet presented the AB CTS Academy followed for a Q&A session. Discussion ensued.

Bohnet departed the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

TOB64/25 Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that the Town of Bassano provides a letter in support of the AB CTS Academy which has the potential to increase career-based learning for rural students and specifically at the Bassano School. The letter shall ensure support for the initiative aligns with the needs of Grasslands School Division.

CARRIED

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1 BUILD Bassano 2024 Development Projects

An update was provided on the BUILD Bassano 2024 Development Projects.

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

TOB64a/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that council amends to Public Lands Watering Policy P-TOB41/001-22 as follows:

- a) That the 3rd Avenue Triangle be removed from the policy (to monitor the area and try to mitigate it from looking unsightly).
- b) That the water schedule for the Kinnette Park remains per the policy while allowing access for dog watering.
- c) That the Town grants permission to the Off Leash Dog Park volunteers to water on the west end of the greenspace twice per week for up to two hours of watering based on the timer schedule. Watering must be managed by the volunteers with the provision of their own supplies (hoses and sprinklers).

CARRIED

TOB65/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that the Off Leash Dog Park Volunteer Executive be invited to attend the June council meeting as delegates to provide an update on the pilot project.


CARRIED


6.3 Bulk Water Loading Facility & Rates

TOB66/25 Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that pending Newell Regional Services Commission grants Bassano's request for locationally specific bulk water rates, effective immediately following their May 28, 2025 meeting, bulk water rates be set at:

- Residential rate: \$4.10/m³
- Commercial rate: \$5.40/m³

Aligning closely with 2023 regional rates has factored in cost increases experienced by


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users over the past three months. Going forward, the town plans to increase bulk water rates \$0.10/annum.

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7. NEW BUSINESS

None

8. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

TOB67/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** 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 April 30, 2025.

TOB68/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that Austin Wiebe, Jenna Presley, Rebecca Andrew, Remy Stach, Jersey Cluett, Will Schaap, and Todd Green be appointed under Section 7 of the Weed Control Act of Alberta as Weed Inspectors for the Town of Bassano for the 2025 weed control season or until such time that their employment with the County of Newell ceases.

CARRIED

TOB69/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTIEN** to decline contributions to the Brooks Maternity Clinic. As a publicly funded private clinic, council deems it a responsibility of the physicians to pay their own support staff. Therefore, the Q4 2023, and 2024 Brooks Maternity Clinic invoice is not authorized for payment totalling \$729.19 billed from the City of Brooks.

CARRIED

TOB70/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the upcoming council meeting be rescheduled from June 9, 2025 to June 23, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

CARRIED

9.2 Financial Statements

None


9.3 Cheque Listings

A cheque listing for the month ending March 31, 2025 was presented.

9.4 FCSS Report



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An FCSS Director's report for the month ending April 30, 2025 was presented.

9.5 Recreation & Community Services Liaison Report

Sydney Smith entered the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

A Recreation & Community Services Liaison report for the month ending April 30, 2025 was presented.

TOB71/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that in accordance with motion TOB194/24 the Town contributes the full 1/3 cost share of capital funds up to \$40,000 for the new flooring renovation at the Recreation Complex to include the curling, golf, and bowling areas inclusively. While the total project costs came in at \$38,019, the town will provide the full \$13,333 as requested by the volunteer organizations to help offset some additional volunteer time on the project, a difference of \$660.

CARRIED

Smith departed the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

9.6 CPO Report

A CPO report for the month ending April 30, 2025 was presented.

9.7 RCMP Report

A Bassano RCMP report for the month of April 2025 was presented.

TOB72/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that the CAO report for the period ending April 30, 2025 is approved as presented and discussed as attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1-10.9 Items of correspondence were presented and discussed.

TOB73/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** to declare June 2-8, 2025 as Seniors' Week in Bassano.


CARRIED

TOB74/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the Town donates five family day pass for the Bassano Outdoor Pool as a family fun prize for the Hussar Summer Daze Kidz Talent Showcase totalling \$130 (no cash value).

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TOB75/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** to approve the list of correspondence and to file it as information.

CARRIED

11. CLOSED SESSION

None

12. ROUND TABLE

A round table discussion ensued.

13. ADJOURNMENT

TOB76/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** for adjournment of the regular council meeting of May 12, 2025 at 8:03 p.m.

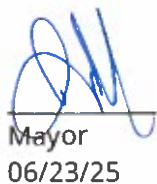
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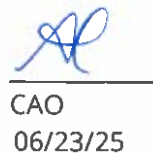
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