



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO
HELD IN PERSON ON JUNE 23, 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 (virtual)
Mike Maguire, Small Town Square

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

TOB77/25 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 May 12, 2025

TOB78/25 Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that the ~~May 12, 2025 minutes are approved as presented.~~

Edited at the July 14, 2025 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS

None

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS



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6.1 BUILD Bassano 2024 Development Projects

TOB79/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that council directs administration to prepare the required Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone 822 – 5A Avenue from R2 to Direct Control.

CARRIED

6.2 Utility Rates Bylaw 947/25 (Bulk Water) – Proposed

TOB80/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that council gives first reading to Utility Rates Bylaw 947/25 as presented.

CARRIED

TOB81/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that council gives second reading to Utility Rates Bylaw 947/25.

CARRIED

TOB82/25 Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that council has third reading of Utility Rates Bylaw 947/25.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TOB83/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that council gives final reading to Utility Rates Bylaw 947/25.

CARRIED

6.3 Regional Emergency Management Bylaw 948/25 – Proposed

TOB84/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that council gives first reading to Regional Emergency Management Bylaw 948/25 as proposed.

CARRIED


6.4 Joint Shared Services – Terms of Reference Update & Actions

TOB85/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that council confirms its support, in principle for a) the preparation of a Terms of Reference for an Intermunicipal Affairs Committee to replace the existing Joint Service Committee, and b) the Chief Administrative Officers' recommendation that Brooks Newell Region Economic Development services be delivered by the City of Brooks under an intermunicipal agreement; and further that council directs administration to collaborate with partner municipalities to bring the draft Terms of Reference and service agreement back for council's consideration.

CARRIED



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6.5 Core Infrastructure Renewal Program Policy – P-TOB11-06/25 – Proposed

- TOB86/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** to recess the meeting at 7:02 p.m. **CARRIED**
- TOB87/25** Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** to reconvene the meeting at 7:05 p.m. **CARRIED**
- TOB88/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** first, that council approves the Core Infrastructure Renewal Program Policy P-TOB11-06/25 as presented for immediate implementation. Second, that Mayor Morey and Councillor Wetzstein be appointed to the Core Infrastructure Renewal Program RFP review committee. **CARRIED**

6.6 Community & Economic Development – Highway Signage

Highway sheet signage options were reviewed and discussed.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 August 2025 Council Meeting


- TOB89/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that the August 11, 2025 regularly scheduled council meeting is cancelled. **CARRIED**

7.2 2025 Tax Auction Date

- TOB90/25** Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** be it resolved that the 2025 tax recovery and public auction will be held on October 17, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the Bassano Town Office (502 – 2nd Avenue), and
- Be it resolved that the Terms and Conditions of Sale for the 2025 Public Auction are hereby approved as follows:
1. A parcel of land offered for sale may be redeemed by payment of all arrears, penalties and costs by guaranteed funds at any time until the property is declared sold.
 2. Each parcel of land offered for sale will be subject to a reserve bid and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing certificate of title.
 3. The lands are being offered for sale on an “as is, where is” basis, and the municipality makes no representation and gives no warranty whatsoever as to the state of the parcel nor its suitability for any intended use by the successful bidder.
 4. The auctioneer, councillors, the chief administrative officer and the designated officers and employees of the municipality must not bid or buy any parcel of land



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offered for sale, unless directed by the municipality to do so on behalf of the municipality.

5. The purchaser of the property will be responsible for property taxes for the current year. There will be no adjustment to the sale date.
6. The purchaser will be required to execute a sale agreement in form and substance provided by the municipality.
7. The successful purchaser must, at the time of sale, make payment in cash, certified cheque or bank draft payable to the municipality as follows:
 - a. The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - b. If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a nonrefundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale.
(if the certified cheque or bank draft exceeds the final purchase price, the excess will be refunded within a reasonable time).
8. GST will be collected on all properties subject to GST.
9. The risk of the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
10. The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
11. The purchaser will be responsible for registration of the transfer including registration fees.
12. If no offer is received on a property or if the reserve bid is not met, the property cannot be sold at the public auction.
13. The municipality may, after the public auction, become the owner of any parcel of land that is not sold at the public auction.
14. Once the property is declared sold at public auction, the previous owner has no further right to pay the tax arrears.

And finally, that a reserve bid is set on the following properties:

1. 602 – 1st Avenue (Plan 3158AB; Block 9; Lot 20) Roll 154001 - \$21,000
2. 813 – 2nd Avenue (Unit 8) (Plan 2016BA; Block 33; Lot 8) Roll 42008 - \$61,000

In addition, pursuant to 553(1)(f) M.G.A., the addition of all tax recovery costs to the relevant rolls is hereby approved.


CARRIED

8. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS


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

TOB91/25 Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that the Town of Bassano supports Newell Regional Landfill's decision to withdraw from the Southern Alberta Energy to Waste Alliance (SAEWA) effective September 2025 due to a lack of progress/advancement with the project. The decision to withdraw from SAEWA allows Newell Regional Landfill to pursue different waste/renewal management opportunities.

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TOB92/25 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 May 31, 2025.

9.2 2nd Quarter Financial Report

A second quarter financial report was presented.

9.3 Financial Statements

Financial statements for the months ending March 31, 2025 and April 30, 2025 were presented.

9.4 Cheque Listings

A cheque listing for the month ending April 30, 2025 was presented.

9.5 FCSS Report

An FCSS Director's report for the month ending May 31, 2025 was presented.

9.6 Recreation & Community Services Liaison Report

A Recreation & Community Services Liaison report for the month ending May 31, 2025 was presented.

9.7 CPO Report

A CPO report for the month ending May 31, 2025 was presented.

9.8 RCMP Report


A Bassano RCMP report for the month of May 31, 2025 was presented.

TOB93/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that the CAO report for the period ending May 31, 2025 is approved as presented and discussed as attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

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10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1-10.13 Items of correspondence were presented and discussed.

TOB94/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** that the town appoints Matthew Loewen to the Bassano Memorial Library effective immediately having received support from the board.
CARRIED

TOB95/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that the town appoints Patrick Alexander to the Bassano Memorial Library effective immediately having received support from the board.
CARRIED

TOB96/25 Moved by **COUNCILLOR MILLER** to approve the list of correspondence and to file it as information.
CARRIED

11. CLOSED SESSION

TOB97/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** to enter a closed session at 7:51 p.m. to discuss land 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

TOB98/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** to revert to a regular meeting at 7:59 p.m.
CARRIED

TOB99/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** directing administration to explore land opportunities on Plan 821 1674; Block 1.
CARRIED

12. ROUND TABLE

A round table discussion ensued.

13. ADJOURNMENT

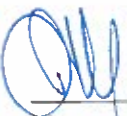
TOB100/25 Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** for adjournment of the regular council meeting of June 23, 2025 at 8:08 p.m.
CARRIED




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