



## TOWN OF HINTON

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council  
Held November 2, 2021 – 4:00 PM  
Council Chambers, Hinton Government Centre

### **Present:**

Mayor Marcel Michaels, Councillors Trevor Haas, Brian LaBerge, Ryan Maguhn, Albert Ostashek, JoAnn Race, Stuart Taylor

### **Administration in Attendance:**

Laura Howarth, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, Sandra Rendle, Legislative Services Coordinator, Carlos Tenias Gil, Communications Coordinator

### **Administration in Attendance by Zoom:**

Hans van Klaveren, Acting Director of Community Services, Carla Fox, Director of Corporate Services, Nikiea Hope, Human Resources Manager

**Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for November 2, 2021 for detailed background information.**

## **ORDER**

Mayor Michaels provided a statement:

*The Town of Hinton respectfully acknowledges that it is located on Treaty 6 Territory and Métis Nation Region No. 4. These are the traditional territories and ancestral lands of Indigenous Peoples including the Plains Cree First Nations, Aseniwuche Winewak Rocky Mountain First Nations, Stoney, Tsuu T'ina, Nakota, Denesuline, Saulteaux, Mountain Métis, Michif, and many other communities that continue to enrich the land on which the Town of Hinton was established.*

*With this sentiment,*

Mayor Marcel Michaels called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 4:02 p.m.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**RACE – That the agenda for the November 2, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended.**

- **Move Action Item # 3 to # 2.**
- **Add Discussion Item – Regular Meeting of Council November 16, 2021.**

**Carried Unanimously**

## **COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

1. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – October 12, 2021
2. Inaugural Meeting of Council Minutes – October 26, 2021
3. Organizational Meeting of Council Minutes – October 26, 2021

**TAYLOR - That the Minutes listed above be approved as presented.**

**Carried Unanimously**

### **CITIZENS MINUTE WITH COUNCIL**

Bill McDonald spoke to Council regarding the Small Business Grant Program funded from the COVID-19 Business Resilience Support Program.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Rescinding Beaver Boardwalk Committee Bylaw No. 1138

**MAGUHN - That Council rescind Beaver Boardwalk Committee Bylaw No. 1138.**

**Carried Unanimously**

2. FortisAlberta Franchise Fee Rider For 2022

**RACE - That Council set the FortisAlberta Franchise Fee Rider at 12.7% for 2022 and that Administration notify FortisAlberta before November 14, 2021, of this “no change” status.**

**Defeated 1-6**

**For: Race**

**Against: Haas, LaBerge, Maguhn, Michaels, Ostashek, Taylor**

**TAYLOR - That Council direct Administration to advertise for two consecutive weeks, the Town's intent to decrease the Fortis Alberta Franchise Fee Rider from 12.7% to 11.13% effective April 1, 2022, and that the Fortis Alberta Franchise Fee Rider for the 2022 report, with public notification feedback, be brought to a future Regular Council Meetings before December 7, 2021.**

**Defeated 1-6**

**For: Taylor**

**Against: Haas, LaBerge, Maguhn, Michaels, Ostashek, Race**

**RACE - That Council approves a decrease in the FortisAlberta Franchise Fee Rider for 2022 from 12.7% to 11.73% effective January 1, 2022.**

**Carried Unanimously**

3. Sustainable Funding – Hinton Community Grant Program

**MAGUHN - That Council accept this report for information and direct Administration to prepare the Draft 2022 Operating Budget based on the projected estimated revenue derived from the Automated Traffic Enforcement Revenue Reserve and to bring a report to Council in 2022 highlighting funding amounts for the 2022 Community Grant Program.**

**Defeated 4-3**

**For: Maguhn, LaBerge, Taylor**

**Against: Haas, Michaels, Ostashek, Race**

**OSTASHEK - That Council direct Administration to include \$60,000 in the January 14&15, 2022 Draft 2022 Operational Budget for the purpose of the Hinton Community Grant Program to be funded from ATE Revenue and the balance to be funded from taxation.**

**Carried 5-2**

**For: Haas, Maguhn, Michaels, Ostashek, Haas  
Against: LaBerge, Taylor**

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Regular Meeting of Council – November 16, 2021

**MAGUHN - That Council reschedule the November 16, 2021 Regular Council Meeting to Monday, November 15, 2021 at 4:15 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously**

## **REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Council Updates (Training, Conferences, Committees, Community Events) and Urgent Matters

Councillors and Mayor Michaels reported on meetings they attended.

### Urgent Matters

Councillor Taylor brought forward the following motion as an urgent matter:

**TAYLOR:**

That Council direct the Administration to prepare a draft response to the RCMP backpay issue to be forwarded to the Provincial and Federal Government and bring forward to the November 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

**MICHAELS - That Council consider the Motion brought forward by Councillor Taylor as an urgent matter.**

**Carried Unanimously**

**TAYLOR:**

**That Council direct the Administration to prepare a draft response to the RCMP backpay issue to be forwarded to the Provincial and Federal Government and bring forward to the November 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

**Carried Unanimously**

2. Chief Administrative Officer Report and Status Report

Laura Howarth, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, provided an update on administrative matters,

3. Administrative Inquiries

There were no Administrative Inquires.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

No Notice of Motions were brought forward.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**HAAS– That the Regular Meeting of Council move to Closed Session at 5:40 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously**

A short break was called at 5:40 p.m. with the meeting resuming at 5:46 p.m.

1. Council Remuneration Review Committee Discussion – Closed per Section 23 of FOIP.

**HAAS – That the Regular Meeting of Council move out of Closed Session at 7:17 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously**

**Mayor Michaels reconvened the meeting at 7:17 p.m.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**TAYLOR - That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 7:18 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously**

  
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Mayor

  
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Legislative Services Coordinator