# **TOWN OF HINTON**



Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting Held February 1, 2022 – 4:00 P.M. Council Chambers, Hinton Government Centre

#### Present:

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

By Zoom: Councillor Albert Ostashek

#### Administration in Attendance:

Paul Hanlan, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, Jennifer Davey-Campbell, Executive Assistant, Alexa Wade, Communications Assistant.

#### Administration in Attendance by Zoom:

Hans van Klaveren, Acting Director of Community Services,
Maurice de Beaudrap, Director of Protective Services/Fire Chief,
Winston Rossouw, Development and Infrastructure Services Director,
Debbi Weber, Engineering and Development Manager,
Scott Kovatch, Economic Development Officer,
Ruth Boden, Finance Manager Support,
Heather Waye, Strategic Services Manager,
Rob Osmond, Aro Consulting Partners,
Diana Daley-Beckford, Capital Planning Projects Manager.

Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for February 1, 2022 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 Council Meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

HAAS – Addition to Closed Session, item #2, Interim CAO Expectations.

MAGUHN - That the Agenda for the February 1, 2022, Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### **COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

- 1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes January 11, 2022
- 2. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes January 14 & 15, 2022
- 3. Regular Council Meeting Minutes January 18, 2022
- 4. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes January 25, 2022

LABERGE - That the Minutes listed above be approved as presented.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### CITIZENS MINUTE WITH COUNCIL

Margaret Shultz, new Manager from the Northern Rockies Museum introduced herself to Council and to the Community.

#### **DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- 1. Introduction to Northern Lakes College The following attended via Zoom from Northern Lakes College:
  - Dr. Glenn Mitchell, President & CEO
  - Dr. Michelle Mitchell, Dean, Humanities, University Studies, and Quality and Interim Dean, Health
  - Amy Saitz, Dean, Business, Academics, Trades & Regional Stewardship
  - Rachel Ouellette, Director, External Relations, Marketing and Communication

#### **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL REPORTING**

Nothing to report.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. 2022 Operating Budget and 2023-2025 Plan Approval

TAYLOR – To direct Administration to place \$3,133,000.00 into reserves in 2022 and find any shortfall in the Operational Budget.

MAGUHN - Move to Split the Motion

TAYLOR – To direct Administration to place \$3,133,000.00 into reserves in 2022 **Carried Unanimously** 

TAYLOR - And to direct Administration to find any shortfall in the Operation Budget.

RACE – Friendly Amendment, to the amount of \$300,000.00.

TAYLOR - To direct Administration to find any shortfall in the Operation Budget to the amount of \$300,000.00.

Against - Race

Carried 6-1 For – Michaels, Maguhn, Haas, Ostashek, LaBerge, Taylor MAGUHN - Move that Council amend the proposed 2022 Operational Budget to include funding for the Hinton Historical Society at \$85,000.

Defeated 5-2

Against - Haas, Ostashek, LaBerge, Taylor, Race

For - Michaels, Maguhn

TAYLOR - That Council direct Administration to increase the funding to the Hinton Historical Society to \$55,000.00 and that the funding come from reducing the donation to Pine Valley Lodge by \$10,000.00.

**HAAS – Move to Split the Motion** 

TAYLOR - That Council direct Administration to increase the funding to the Hinton Historical Society to \$55,000.00.

TAYLOR - Reduce the donation to Pine Valley Lodge by \$10,000.00.

MAGUHN – Amendment to change the amount to \$70,000.00.

**Carried Unanimously** 

TAYLOR - That Council direct Administration to increase the funding to the Hinton Historical Society to \$70,000.00.

**Carried Unanimously** 

TAYLOR - Reduce the donation to Pine Valley Lodge by \$25,000.00.

Defeated 5-2

Against - Michaels, Maguhn, Haas, Ostashek, Race

For - LaBerge/Taylor

MAGUHN – To direct Administration to reduce the Contracted and General Services line by \$25,000.00.

Withdrawn

RACE – To direct Administration to bring back an RFD (Request for Decision) to appoint a Councillor to the Hinton historical society prior to the end of the first quarter.

Carried Unanimously

TAYLOR – To direct Administration to develop scenarios for a 0, 1, and 2 % mill rate increase identifying potential service level reductions with each.

Defeated 5-2

Against - Michaels, Maguhn, Haas, Ostashek, Race

For - Maguhn, Taylor

OSTASHEK –That the Regular Meeting of Council move to closed session at 6:31 p.m.

**Carried Unanimously** 

Moved to Closed Session with a 7-minute break.

MAGUHN- That the Regular Council Meeting move out of Closed Session at 6:56 p.m.

**Carried Unanimously** 

The Regular Council Meeting resumed at 7:00 p.m.

LABERGE – That Council direct Administration to find \$275,000.00 in addition to the \$325,000.00 quoted earlier from the Base Operating Budget.

TAYLOR – Friendly amendment - and bring back any service level implications to Council.

LABERGE – That Council direct Administration to find \$275,000.00 in addition to the \$325,000.00 quoted earlier from the base Operating Budget and bring back any service level implications to Council.

Carried 6-1

For – Michaels, Maguhn, Haas, Ostashek, LaBerge, Taylor

**Against - Race** 

TAYLOR - Direct Administration to reduce the Library Budget by \$20,000.00.

Carried 4-3

For – Michaels, LaBerge, Taylor, Race Against - Haas, Maguhn, Ostashek

## 2. Rapid Housing Operational Business Case Update

TAYLOR - That Council endorse the Construction Plan associated with the Rapid Housing Initiative for the development of a minimum of 8 units with a goal of building 10 units on the Boutin Lands and undertake a debenture of \$820,000.00.

**Carried Unanimously** 

HAAS - To extend the meeting past 8:00 p.m.

**Carried Unanimously** 

## 3. Appointment to Community Engagement and Advisory Committee

Councillor Ostashek recuses himself from the Vote.

HAAS - That Council appoint Rachel Arsenault to the Community Engagement and Advisory Committee for a two-year term.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mandatory Face Coverings Bylaw No. 1163 – Section 8.1.2 – Nothing to report.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

MAGUHN - To accept Council Information Package #3 for January 2022 for information.

Carried Unanimously

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

- Council Updates (Training, Conferences, Committees, Community Events) and Urgent Matters. Councillors and Mayor reported on meetings they attended.
- 2. Chief Administrative Officer Report and Status Report.
- 3. Administrative Inquiries There were no Administrative Inquiries.

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

No Notices of Motions were brought forward.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

HAAS - That the Regular Council Meeting move to Closed Session at 8:43 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Jennifer Davey-Campbell, Alexa Wade, Hans van Klaveren, Maurice de Beaudrap, Winston Rossouw, Debbi Weber, Scott Kovatch, Ruth Boden, Heather Waye, Rob Osmond, Diana Daley-Beckford, left the Regular Council Meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Paul Hanlan left the Regular Council Meeting Closed Session at 10:15 p.m.

TAYLOR - That the Regular Council Meeting move out of Closed Session at 10:30 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

## **ADJOURNMENT**

TAYLOR - That the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 10:30 p.m.

**Carried Unanimously** 

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Executive Assistant