



TOWN OF HINTON REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, October 3, 2023

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Albert Ostashek, Ryan Maguhn, Trevor Haas, JoAnn Race, and Stuart Taylor

COUNCIL ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Jordan Panasiuk, Chief Administrative Officer,
Jennifer Davey-Campbell, Executive Assistant,
Debbi Weber, Strategic Projects Facilitator,
Deborah Juch, Director of Community Services,
Maurice de Beaudrap, Director of Protective Services / Fire Chief,
Trent McLaughlin, Director of Infrastructure and Development Services,
Natasha Buck, Communications Coordinator,
Caryn Bouchard, FCSS Manager,
Torrie Gunia, FCSS Assistant Manager, and
Heather Mark, Recreation & Culture Supervisor

1. ORDER

The Town of Hinton respectfully acknowledges that it is located on the First People's traditional lands. We recognize this traditional territory to show respect and understanding to those who walked this land since time immemorial. Today, we uphold our ongoing responsibility to work together in the spirit of the intent of the Treaties with all the First Peoples and Nations that call this place home. The Town expresses gratitude for the opportunity to build a better community on these sacred lands for generations to come.

1.1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Ostashek called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2.1. Regular Council Agenda

RC-231003.01

Motion by Councillor Haas that Council adopt the Agenda as presented.

Carried unanimously

3. COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

3.1. Regular Council Meeting September 19, 2023, and
Committee of the Whole Meeting September 25, 2023.

RC-231003.02

Motion by Councillor Haas that Council adopt the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting from September 19, 2023 and the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes from September 25, 2023.

Carried unanimously

4. CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"

4.1 None.

5. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1. West Yellowhead Trail Society - Presented by Bernie Kreiner (10 min)

Bernie Kreiner presented an update on the West Yellowhead Trail Society's progress. They have focused on building a robust board governance foundation, preparing a submission that aligns with Alberta government requirements, and meeting Indigenous engagement criteria.

The society has requested financial support of \$100,000 for both 2024 and 2025, continuation of tax receipting, and assistance with trail ownership, operations, and maintenance from the Town.

5.2. Community Futures West Yellowhead - Presented by Nance Robbins (10 min)

Community Futures West Yellowhead (CFWY) is a non-profit organization dedicated to economic diversification in the West Yellowhead region. Their programs support small businesses and entrepreneurs with training, coaching, networking, and flexible loans. They seek \$10,000 in funding from each participating municipality for the 2024/2025 fiscal year to sustain and enhance their services. CFWY has not received a core funding increase from the Government of Canada in nearly 17 years. They are open to further discussion with municipalities regarding this proposal.

5.3. Hinton Youth Advisory Council - Fall 2023 Report

The HYAC is a joint effort between the Town of Hinton and the Northern Rockies Museum of Culture and Heritage to involve young people in the town's decision-making processes. Monthly after-school meetings are held and meals are provided. The Youth Councillors are responsible for providing youth-related suggestions, serving as Hinton's representatives and participating in special projects. Semi-annual reports are prepared by the Youth Councillors for the Town Council, highlighting successful projects such as art nights and community involvement programs with local artist Alyza Konopka. In addition, the Town of Hinton's projects, such as the naming of the street sweeper "Rocky" and the installation of Hinton silhouette signs, were discussed.

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.1. Affordable Housing Request for Additional Funds

RC-231003.03

Motion by Councillor Haas That Council approves an additional \$128,000 for the completion of Affordable Housing Project, which includes the current project average (\$53,000), Power Plugs (\$30,000), Fencing (\$20,000), and Lighting (\$25,000).

Carried 4-1

(In Favour: Councillor Ostashek, Councillor Maguhn, Councillor Haas, and Councillor Race).

(Opposed: Councillor Taylor).

6.2. FCSS Level of Service Policy CS 7202

RC-231003.04

Motion by Councillor Maguhn that Council direct Administration to compare the core and non-core funding program levels for FCSS type programs in Edson, Coaldale, Morinville, Whitecourt, Rocky Mountain House, Drayton Valley, and Westlock along with comparison of program delivery models and a comparison of individual programs.

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Carried 3-2
(In Favour: Councillor Ostashek, Councillor Maguhn, and Councillor Taylor).
(Opposed: Councillor Haas and Councillor Race).

RC-231003.05

Motion by Councillor Haas that Council direct Administration to include a comparative analysis of FCSS services in the 2024 budget process.

Carried 4-1
(In Favour: Councillor Ostashek, Councillor Maguhn, Councillor Haas, and Councillor Taylor).
(Opposed: Councillor Race).

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1. Grant Match

RC-231003.06

Motion by Councillor Haas that Council accept the report on the Grant Match grant procurement services for information.

Carried unanimously

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1. Council Information

RC-231003.07

Motion by Councillor Maguhn that Council accept the report for information.

Carried unanimously

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

9.1. Recreation Centre - Councillor Haas

RC-231003.08

Motion by Councillor Haas that Council direct Administration initiate a comprehensive review and discussion on the future of a Recreation Center before the 2024 Budget discussions.

Carried 4-1
(In Favour: Councillor Ostashek, Councillor Maguhn, Councillor Haas, and Councillor Race).
(Opposed: Councillor Taylor).

RC-231003.09

Notice of Motion to direct the Administration to bring forth the Rural Stream Program to Council for review – Councillor Taylor

10. REPORTING

10.1. Council Reports

- Boards and Committees of Council
 - Council reported on meetings and event they attended.

10.2. Chief Administrative Officer

- Reporting and Status Report
 - CAO Panasiuk reported on the organization and operations.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act specifies that a council may close all or part of a meeting to the public if a matter to be discussed is within one of the exceptions to disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of FOIP. The exceptions include matters where disclosures could be harmful to personal privacy, individual or public safety, law enforcement, intergovernmental relations, or economic or other interests. No bylaw or resolution can be passed at a closed meeting except a resolution to revert to the open council meeting in public or to recess.

11.1. Legal Negotiations - Closed per s. 16, 25 & 27 of FOIP

RC-231003.10

Motion by Councillor Maguhn that Council move into Closed Session at 6:26 p.m.

Carried unanimously

RC-231003.11

Motion by Councillor Haas that Council move out of Closed Session at 6:48 p.m.

Carried unanimously

12. ADJOURNMENT

12.1. Call for Adjournment of Meeting


RC-231003.12

Motion by Councillor Haas that Council adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Carried unanimously



Deputy Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer