

Village of Myrnam

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for the Village of Myrnam held on July 18, 2024, in the Village of Myrnam Council Chambers

PRESENT: Mayor Donna Rudolf, Deputy Mayor Raymond Yaremchuk, Councillor Kurt Ewanec, and Chief Administrative Officer Elsie Kiziak

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor D. Rudolf called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

2024-082 MOVED by Councillor K. Ewanec to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

2024-083 MOVED by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED

2024-084 MOVED by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk to adopt the Special Council Meeting Minutes of July 3, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED

OPEN FORUM: No one was present for Open Forum.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Public Works Report

The Public Works Report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

Financial Report

The Financial Report consisting of the 1) Budget to Actual: 2nd Quarter (updated copy was provided the day before the Council Package), 2) Bank Reconciliation Statement for month ending June 2024, and 3) the Cheque Listing for June 14 to July 11, 2024, was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

Chief Administrative Officer Report

The Chief Administrative Officer Report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

Updates provided verbally during the meeting:

- Main Street project will be postponed by one week due to staff bereavement.
- Recycled asphalt will be removed by Ledcor by late August as they have a location to use the product.

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2024-085 **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec to accept the Administrative Reports as presented. **CARRIED**

CORRESPONDENCE:

2024-086 **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf to accept the Correspondence as presented. **CARRIED**

BYLAWS AND POLICIES:

2024-06 Regional Economic Development Committee Bylaw

MGA, Section 3 “The purposes of a municipality are (a.2) to foster the economic development of the municipality”. Recently the Town of Two Hills and Village of Myrnam have engaged in grant applications for regional economic development. A host of meetings have been started by the Town of Two Hills with the County of Two Hills and Village of Myrnam. Mayor Donna Rudolf is the representative on behalf of the Village of Myrnam. At the request of the Town of Two Hills, a bylaw is recommended to enter into an agreement for the purposes of a Regional Economic Development Committee. A draft bylaw was presented by the Town of Two Hills and reformatted to match our current bylaws. Minor changes were made. Concerns regarding the financial implications are after the grant funding is spent. There was also discussion about giving the Regional Economic Development Committee the authority to award the contract for the Regional Economic Development Officer.

2024-087 **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec to allow the Regional Economic Development Committee the authority to assign the contract for a Regional Economic Development Officer based on the criteria indicated in the Northern and Regional Economic Development Grant (NRED) received by the Town of Two Hills in 2024 and the Alberta Community Partnership Grant (ACP) received by the Village of Myrnam in 2024. **CARRIED**

2024-088 **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf that the draft bylaw be tabled to a future Council meeting. **CARRIED**

Review of Urban Hen Bylaw #2022-07

Urban Hen Bylaw #2022-07, Section 9.2: “Council shall review this bylaw before then end of the 2023 calendar year.” Since the passing of the bylaw on August 18, 2022 there have been 2 properties that have successfully applied for and received an urban hen licence. The Village has not received any complaints. There has been concern for properties that are more than 1 acre in size and contradiction between this bylaw and section 8.7 of the Land Use Bylaw.

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- 2024-089** **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf for Administration to draft amending bylaws to amend the Urban Hen Bylaw 2022-07 and Land Use Bylaw 2018-08 to address the keeping of hens on parcels more than 1 acre in size.
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

Mutual Aid Agreement

Shortly before the last Joint Municipalities Meeting the County of Two Hills #21 presented the Town of Two Hills and the Village of Myrnam another revised draft (#3) of the mutual aid agreement to replace an outdated agreement.

- 2024-090** **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk for Council to provide a list of points for clarification, and/or recommendation for additions, revisions, or deletions to Administration to forward to the County Fire Coordinator prior to the next Joint Municipalities Meeting.

CARRIED

2024/2025 Alberta Community Partnership Program

The Alberta Community Partnership Program intake for 2024/2025 is coming up. At the last Joint Municipalities Meeting the Town of Two Hills provided some recommendations that are “seen as priorities in this ACP grant cycle that align with... local and regional initiatives”. The decision at that meeting was for each council to discuss potential ACP projects and bring them back to the next Joint Municipalities Meeting for discussion on what projects we should work on next collaboratively.

- 2024-091** **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec for the Village of Myrnam to apply to the upcoming Alberta Community Partnership Program for the purposes of developing Infrastructure Master Plans.

CARRIED

Land Proposal

In May of 2022 Council approved the sale of one 100' x 150' lot. The purchasers are requesting to either 1) purchase an additional 50 x 150' for \$500 or 2) obtain permission to level the remaining portion of the hill east of the property they purchased to avoid leaving an embankment when they go to level the initially purchased land.

- 2024-092** **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf to sell an additional 50 x 150' portion of land to the east of the previously purchased lots to Paul and Gerry Myshaniuk for \$500.00; and further, that the purchasers would be responsible for the surveying and subdivision costs.

CARRIED

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Regional Governance Study

Transitional Solutions Inc. provided the final Regional Governance Study document on April 30, 2024. At the Joint Municipalities Meeting it was decided that all councils provide input on the document to the next meeting and then all of the input would be provided to TSI prior to all the municipalities meeting with them.

2024-093 **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec for individual elected officials to review the Regional Governance Study prepared by Transitional Solutions Inc. and submit any comments, points for clarification, or recommendations for additions, modifications, or deletions to Administration to compile and for the next Joint Municipalities Meeting.

CARRIED

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mayor D. Rudolf, Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk and Councillor K. Ewanec did not have anything to report.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT: With all items on the agenda having been addressed Mayor D. Rudolf adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 10:47 A.M.

Chief Elected Official
Chief Administrative Officer