

Village of Myrnam

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for the Village of Myrnam held August 18, 2022, in the Village of Myrnam Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Mayor Donna Rudolf, Deputy Mayor Raymond Yaremchuk, Chief Administrative Officer Elsie Kiziak, and one person in the Gallery.
Missing: Councillor Kurt Ewanec

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

2022-134 MOVED by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk to accept the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES:

2022-135 MOVED by Mayor D. Rudolf to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2022, as presented.

CARRIED

Open Forum delayed as resident was not yet prepared to speak with Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Public Works Report

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

Financial Report

The Financial Report consisting of the 1) the Bank Reconciliation Statement for month ending July 2022, and 2) the Cheque Listing for July 14 to August 11, 2022, was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO Elsie Kiziak.

Chief Administrative Officer Report

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

2022-136 MOVED by Mayor D. Rudolf to accept the Administrative Reports as presented.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

2022-137 MOVED by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk to accept the Correspondence as presented.

CARRIED

Councillor Kurt Ewanec came into the meeting at 9:03 a.m.

BYLAWS AND POLICIES:

2022-07 Urban Hen Coop Bylaw

Tabled from the last Regular Council meeting until recommended changes were made.

2022-138 **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf that Bylaw 2022-07 be now read a first time.
CARRIED

2022-139 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk that Bylaw 2022-07 be now read a second time.
CARRIED

2022-140 **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec that Bylaw 2022-07 be given consent for third and final reading.
CARRIED

2022-141 **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf that Bylaw 2022-07 be given third and final reading.
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

National Infrastructure Fund – Small Projects Stream

Federal Budget 2021 announced \$200 million over three years to establish the Natural Infrastructure Fund to support natural and hybrid infrastructure projects. Objectives are to increase the use and uptake of natural and hybrid infrastructure; and build community awareness on the value of natural and hybrid infrastructure and the delivery of multiple outcomes. Municipal share of the project is 80%. Project must be between \$30,000 to \$3M. Council and Administration agreed that collecting funds, through volunteering or sponsorship, is needed towards a project for future grant applications due to strict funding matching criteria.

2022-142 **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf to accept this agenda item as Information.
CARRIED

UFA Rural Communities Foundation – 2022 Grant

The Rural Communities Foundation was created in 2014 as a way to distribute archived equity funds back into rural communities where UFA has a presence. The foundation is committed to giving \$500,000 over five years to rural Alberta to improve the sustainability of farmers and ranchers in Alberta.

2022-143 **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec to accept this agenda item as information.
CARRIED

OPEN FORUM: A resident asked Council why they were charged fees on their monthly utility bills when a meter was not in the house. Council and Administration indicated that all properties adjacent to a main water and sewer line contribute financially towards maintenance and future replacement of the infrastructure. The resident also questioned why the assessed value of the property had increased from the previous year. Council and Administration explained that assessors are the ones that place assessment values on properties and there is a formal process to take (described on the back of the Combined Assessment and Tax Notice) if landowners do not agree with the assessed value. The resident also indicated to Council that in the winter of 2018 the water meter froze which resulted in a flooded basement. Administration stated that the resident could submit her request to Administration, detailing the incident and request for reimbursement, in writing for Council consideration.

NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED):

Appeal – Bylaw Enforcement

Administration received an Appeal Notice on July 27, 2022 (late submission) by email for an Order/Direction sent on June 1, 2022.

2022-144 **MOVED** by Mayor D. Rudolf for Council to consider the appeal received on July 27, 2022.

CARRIED

2022-145 **MOVED** by Councillor K. Ewanec to cancel the Order issued to landowner of 4604 – 47 Avenue for the removal or improving the appearance of the mobile home.

CARRIED

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk provided a Council Report in advance of the Council meeting. Councillor K. Ewanec had no report to present. Mayor D. Rudolf presented her report, in writing, during the Council meeting.

2022-146 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor R. Yaremchuk accept the Council Reports as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATION: **Alberta Municipal Affairs – ACP Grant and Restructuring Options**

Dee Deveau and Katie Neufeld, both representatives for Alberta Municipal Affairs delivered a presentation to Council about restructuring options (viability review and amalgamation) and the Alberta Community Partnership grant program related to studies for Municipal Restructuring.

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NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Council Meeting on September 15, 2022, at 9:00 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT: With all items on the agenda having been addressed Mayor D. Rudolf adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 11:47 A.M.

Chief Elected Official
Chief Administrative Officer