

TOWN OF TROCHU – MINUTES

Committee of the Whole Meeting

May 3rd, 2021

At 5:00pm at Trochu Town Office & remotely via Zoom conference

Notes

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Item and Information
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1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Barry Kletke called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. In attendance were Mayor Barry Kletke, Deputy Mayor Chris Reeds, Councillors Chris Armstrong, Bill Cunningham, Cheryl Lumley, Bonnie Munro, and Ed Stephan, Chief Administrative Officer Carl Peterson, Director of Operations Dave Nelson, Director of Finances Lavinia Henderson, and Recording Secretary Toni Nelson.

2. **ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

- a) Additions to the agenda
 - Doctors Recruitment & Retention Committee Questionnaire
 - Electrical Vehicle Charging Stations
 - Council & Staff Lotto Policy

- b) Agenda acceptance

Motion by ARMSTRONG to accept the agenda with additions

CARRIED

3. **DELEGATIONS**

- a) Nothing for this item

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) 2021 Capital Budget, 5 Year Capital Plan, and Major Projects

Lavinia Henderson presented several budget documents:

- 2021 Capital & Major Projects Budget
 - Includes a 3 year plan for purchase of SCBA unit for Fire Department
 - Cost for a new mower raised from \$15k to \$17k to be within MSI funding minimum requirement
 - Cost for a truck for the Public Works department lowered from \$35k to \$30k due to lower price found
 - Water Treatment Plant plumbing project to be postponed to 2022
 - Seniors Housing funding on \$80k to be funded from property taxes
 - Discussed available MSI funding amounts and projects needed to release these funds
- 2022 to 2026 Capital Plan
- 2021 Budget Overview
 - Discussed taxation options such as tax levies, minimum tax levies, brownfield tax credits
 - Council supports raising the minimum tax levy from \$100 to \$200
 - Looked at 2021 Revenue Graph
 - Looked at Debentures & Loans listing
 - Discussed future Fire Department expenses
 - Discussed 2021 mill rates for taxes, Council supports keeping the same rates as 2020 mill rates

- b) Healthy Communities Initiative Grant and Campground

-Dave Nelson presented a proposal to apply for grant funding to install pickleball courts and a playground at the Trochu Municipal Campground

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-total cost would be approximately \$170,000 but would be fully funded by the Healthy Communities Initiative Grant

-Council supports proposal

- c) Electricity Transmission and Distribution Charge Imbalances
 - Mayor Kletke discussed electricity cost imbalances and reported that the Mayors of South Central Alberta group plan to forward a resolution regarding this to the AUMA
- d) RCMP Support Letter (Example from County of Paintearth provided)
 - Council discussed and feel that more information is needed on a provincial police force before a letter of support is drafted
- e) DDSWMA, Cancellation of Household Hazardous Waste Program Funding
 - requesting a letter of support regarding development of a new hazardous waste program
 - Council supported request & asked Administration to draft a letter of support
- f) Doctors Recruitment & Retention Committee Questionnaire
 - Carl Peterson and Councillor Lumley will meet later in the week to finalize answers
- g) Electrical Vehicle Charging Stations
 - Councillor Cunningham presented information on Zap Industries Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, a charging option that uses refurbished sea-cans to house 1 or 2 charging units
 - option would be no charge to town
 - Council requested a presentation from the Company at a future meeting
- h) Council & Staff Lotto Policy
 - discussed change to lotto policy in regards to when enrollment begins and ends

5. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS TO BE HELD IN CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session: Confidential Matters to be held in a session closed to the public, dealing with Land, Legal or Labor in accordance with Section 197 and the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Division 2 of Part 1

- a) Nothing for this item

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6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by REEDS to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm

CARRIED

2021-05-03-02
Motion to adjourn
the meeting at
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X

Barry Kletke
Mayor

X

Carl Peterson
CAO