



# MINUTES

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM - Wednesday, January 22, 2025

Council Chambers, 1 Parklane Drive, Strathmore AB

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Pat Fule, Councillor Debbie Mitzner, Councillor Jason Montgomery, Councillor Denise Peterson, Councillor Richard Wegener, and Deputy Mayor Brent Wiley

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** Councillor Melissa Langmaid

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kevin Scoble (Chief Administrative Officer), Jamie Dugdale (Director of Infrastructure, Operations, and Development Services), Mark Pretzlaff (Director of Community and Protective Services), Kara Rusk (Director of Strategic, Administrative, and Financial Services), and Claudette Thorhaug (Legislative Services Officer)

### 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Fule called the January 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### 1.1. **Traditional Land Acknowledgement for the First Meeting in January (Monstoyii)**

We honour all the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We acknowledge that the ancestral and traditional lands on which we gather are Land of the Blackfoot Confederacy and Treaty 7 territory, a traditional meeting ground for many Indigenous peoples, and in particular our neighbors, Siksika Nation on whose traditional territory we work, live, and play, and on whose traditional territory we stand and where Strathmore resides.

### 2. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

#### **Resolution No. 005.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council adopt the January 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended:

ADDITION:

3.2 Medical Services – Advice from officials – FOIP S. 24(1)(a)

subsequently moving CAO Dialogue – Advice from officials – FOIP S.24 1(b)(i), to item 3.3.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**3. CLOSED MEETING**

**Resolution No. 006.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council move In Camera to discuss items related to sections 17(1), 24(1)(a) and 24(1)(b)(i) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* at 6:03 p.m.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**3.1. Board and Committee Appointment – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy – FOIP S. 17(1)**

**3.2. Medical Services – Advice from officials – FOIP S. 24(1)(a)**

**3.3. Council CAO Dialogue – Advice from officials – FOIP S.24 1(b)(i)**

**Resolution No. 007.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council move out of Camera at 6:32 p.m.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 008.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council appoint Cheri Royal to the Family & Community Support Services Advisory Board for a term of three (3) years, ending October 31, 2027.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 009.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council direct Administration to undertake a legal feasibility assessment of creating a *Physician Incentive Program*, to attract physicians to Strathmore;

AND THAT Council further direct Administration to bring a report back to Council regarding the findings of that legal feasibility assessment, including the potential scope, methods and next steps.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 010.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Wegener

THAT Council direct Administration to draft a letter to the Honourable Mike Ellis, Deputy Premier of Alberta and Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services, requesting exemption from establishing a Regional Policing Committee in favour of establishing a Municipal Policing Committee.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**6. DELEGATIONS**

None.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 011.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council adopt the recommendations of the following agenda reports by an omnibus motion:

- 8.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2024
- 8.2 Special Council Meeting Minutes – January 15, 2025
- 9.2 2025 FCSS Advisory Board – Family & Community Support Services Grant Program
- 11.2.1 Strathmore Library Board Regular Meeting Minutes – September 17, 2024
- 11.2.2 Strathmore Library Board Regular Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2024
- 11.2.3 Strathmore Library Board Regular Meeting Minutes – November 19, 2024
- 12.1 Letter from the Village of Hussar – Organizational Meeting – October 22, 2024

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

## **8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **8.1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2024**

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council adopt the December 11, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented in Attachment I.

### **8.2. Special Council Meeting Minutes – January 15, 2025**

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council adopt the January 15, 2024 Special Council Meeting Minutes as presented in Attachment I.

## **9. BUSINESS**

### **9.1. Geographic Information Systems (GIS) – 2025 Public Web Map Launch and Economic Development Dashboards**

### **9.2. 2025 FCSS Advisory Board – Family & Community Support Services Grant Program**

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council approve the following funding through the FCSS Advisory Board - 2025 Family & Community Support Services Grant Program and the Calgary United Way:

- 5 for Life Early Childhood - \$16,262.00
- Accredited Supports to the Community - \$4,500.00
- Growing Families - \$19,440.00
- Hope Bridges Society - \$7,560.00
- Immigrant Services Strathmore - \$7,500.00
- Roots of Empathy - \$6,000.00
- Project Hope Foundation - \$4,500.00
- Town of Strathmore Library Board - \$15,000.00
- True North - \$14,000.00
- Rural Health Partnership - \$425.00

## 10. **BYLAWS**

### 10.1. **2025 Operating Expenditures Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw No. 25-01**

Councillor Montgomery left the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Councillor Montgomery rejoined the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

#### **Resolution No. 012.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 25-01, being the 2025 Operating Expenditures Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

#### **Resolution No. 013.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 25-01, being the 2025 Operating Expenditures Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 014.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give unanimous consent to proceed with Third and Final Reading of Bylaw No. 25-01, being the 2025 Operating Expenditures Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 015.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. Bylaw No. 25-01, being the 2025 Operating Expenditures Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**10.2. 2025 Supplementary Assessment Bylaw No. 25-02**

**Resolution No. 016.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 25-02 being the 2025 Supplementary Assessment Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 017.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 25-02 being the 2025 Supplementary Assessment Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 018.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council give unanimous consent to proceed with Third and Final Reading of Bylaw No. 25-02, being the 2025 Supplementary Assessment Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 019.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 25-02 being the 2025 Supplementary Assessment Bylaw.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**10.3. 2025 Water Reservoir Borrowing Bylaw No. 25-03**

**Resolution No. 020.01.25**

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 25-03, being the 2025 Water Reservoir Borrowing Bylaw.

AND THAT Council direct Administration to advertise Bylaw No. 25-03 prior to Second Reading.

**FOR:** Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, Councillor Peterson, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

**AGAINST:** None.

**CARRIED**

**11. COUNCILLOR INFORMATION & INQUIRIES**

**11.1. QUESTIONS BETWEEN COUNCILLORS AND COUNCIL STATEMENTS**

**11.1.1 Community Futures – Wild Rose**

Councillor Montgomery requested a retraction from Councillor Peterson for a statement made regarding Community Futures – Wild Rose on November 20, 2024. Councillor Peterson responded.

Mayor Fule ruled Councillor Montgomery as out of order for off topic discussion.

**11.2. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**11.2.1. Strathmore Library Board Regular Meeting Minutes – September 17, 2024**

**11.2.2. Strathmore Library Board Regular Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2024**

**11.2.3. Strathmore Library Board Regular Meeting Minutes – November 19, 2024**

**11.3. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

None.

**11.4. ADMINISTRATIVE INQUIRIES**

None.

**11.5. NOTICES OF MOTION**

None.

**12. CORRESPONDENCE**

**12.1. Letter from the Village of Hussar – Organizational Meeting – October 22, 2024**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Fule adjourned the January 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 7:50 p.m.

  
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Director of Strategic, Administrative  
and Financial Services