



MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM - Wednesday, December 4, 2024

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 Councillor Brent Wiley (virtual)

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 Johnathan Strathdee (Manager of Legislative Services)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fule called the December 4, 2024 Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.1. Traditional Land Acknowledgement for the First Meeting in December (Niistaakiisom)

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. 332.12.24

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council adopt the December 4, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended:

ADDITION:

9.7 Policing Support Grant Funding Agreement 2024 - 2025

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

3. **PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

5. **DELEGATIONS**

5.1. **Delegation – Strathmore Legion #10**

Resolution No. 333.12.24

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council direct Administration to bring a report with information on the Strathmore Legion's crosswalk request back to Council at their earliest convenience.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 334.12.24

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

THAT Council direct Administration to prepare a policy on permanent and semi-permanent displays on public property.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Mitzner, Councillor Montgomery, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: Councillor Peterson and Councillor Wegener

CARRIED

Resolution No. 335.12.24

Moved by Councillor Wegener

THAT Council waive section 27.1 of Council Procedure Bylaw No. 23-17 for the purpose of hearing a second delegation from Handi-Bus within a 6-month period, in accordance with section 4.5 of Bylaw No. 23-17.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

5.2. Delegation – Strathmore Handi-Bus

6. CLOSED MEETING

Resolution No. 336.12.24

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council move In Camera to discuss items related to sections 21(1)(b) and 24(1)(b)(i) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* at 6:30 p.m.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

6.1. Intergovernmental Relations – Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations – FOIP S.21 (1)(b)

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

Councillor Montgomery left the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Resolution No. 337.12.24

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council move out of Camera at 7:50 p.m.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 338.12.24

Moved by Councillor Peterson

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

- 8.2 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 20, 2024
- 8.3 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 27, 2024
- 9.3 Corporate Strategic Plan & Financial Plan Quarterly Report – Q3 2024
- 9.4 Local Growth and Sustainability Grant Application
- 9.5 Alberta Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Program – Expression of Interest
- 9.6 Alberta Municipalities Energy Program – 2027 Natural Gas Agreement (NatGas+)

11.2.1 WHMB Signed Minutes – October 17, 2024

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

8.1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 19, 2024

Resolution No. 339.12.24

Moved by Councillor Wegener

THAT Council adopt the November 19, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as amended:

Amend **Resolution No. 278.11.24** to remove Councillor Wiley voting against and to add Councillor Wegener voting against.

Amend **Resolution No. 287.11.24** to change the mover to Councillor Wegener.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

8.2. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 20, 2024

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council adopt the November 20, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented in Attachment I.

8.3. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 27, 2024

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council adopt the November 27, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented in Attachment I.

9. BUSINESS

9.1. 2025 Proposed Operating & Capital Budget

Resolution No. 340.12.24

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council adopt the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$39,319,000 and the 2025 Capital Budget in the amount of \$9,313,000.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

9.2. Council Meeting Schedule Amendment – December 2024 Meetings

Resolution No. 341.12.24

Moved by Councillor Wegener

THAT Council change the meeting scheduled on December 11, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers from a Committee of the Whole to a Regular Council Meeting.

AND THAT Council cancel the Regular Council Meeting on December 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

9.3. Corporate Strategic Plan & Financial Plan Quarterly Report – Q3 2024

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

That Council accept the Corporate Strategic Plan & Financial Plan Quarterly Q3 Report as information.

9.4. Local Growth and Sustainability Grant Application

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council Authorize the application to the Local Growth and Sustainability Grant, as announced by the Province of Alberta, for the Wildflower Road (Phase 1) Project.

9.5. Alberta Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Program – Expression of Interest

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council direct Administration to proceed with the Expression of Interest for the Alberta Wildland Urban Interface Program, as outlined in Attachment I;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the letter of support, as outlined in Attachment II.

9.6. Alberta Municipalities Energy Program – 2027 Natural Gas Agreement (NatGas+)

9.7 Policing Support Grant Funding Agreement 2024-2025

Resolution No. 342.12.24

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Policing Support Grant Funding Agreement for 2024/2025, as presented in Attachment I.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS

None.

11. COUNCILLOR INFORMATION & INQUIRIES

11.1. QUESTIONS BETWEEN COUNCILLORS AND COUNCIL STATEMENTS

11.1.1 Wheatland County Foodbank

Mayor Fule informed Council he would be providing them with information on the Wheatland County Food Bank 2024 operations.

11.2. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.2.1. WHMB Signed Minutes – October 17, 2024

11.3. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

11.1.1 WADEMSA CAO

Councillor Wegener made a statement on WADEMSA CAO, Rob Witty's recent retirement announcement and expressed appreciation for his service.

11.4. ADMINISTRATIVE INQUIRIES

None.

11.5. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. CORRESPONDENCE


None.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fule adjourned the December 4, 2024 Regular Council Meeting at 8:00 p.m.



Mayor



Director of Strategic, Administrative
and Financial Services