



MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM - Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Council Chambers, 1 Parklane Drive, Strathmore AB

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Pat Fule, Councillor Melissa Langmaid, Deputy Mayor Debbie Mitzner, Councillor Jason Montgomery, Councillor Denise Peterson, Councillor Richard Wegener, and Councillor Brent Wiley

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 April 2, 2025 Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.1. Traditional Land Acknowledgment for the First Regular Council Meeting in April (Matsiyikapisaikisom)

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. 086.04.25

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council adopt the April 2, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended:

DELETION:

3.1 Legal Advice – Advice from officials – FOIP S. 23(1)(a), 24(1)(a), 24(1)(b)(i), and 27(1)(a)

ADDITION:

3.1 Procedure Regarding Public Hearings – Advice from officials – FOIP S. 24(1)(a)

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

3. CLOSED MEETING

Resolution No. 087.04.25

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council move In Camera to discuss items related to sections 24(1)(a), 27(1)(a), and 24(1)(b)(i) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act at 6:05 p.m.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

3.1. Procedure Regarding Public Hearings – Advice from officials – FOIP S. 24(1)(a)

3.2. Annual Legal Status Report – Advice from officials – FOIP S. 24(1)(a) and 27(1)(a)

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

Resolution No. 088.04.25

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council move out of Camera at 7:10 p.m.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 089.04.25

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council recess for 5 minutes.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Langmaid, 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. 090.04.25

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

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

- 8.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2025
- 9.1 Events Budget Adjustment
- 9.2 Property Tax Recovery – Tax Auction Advertisement
- 11.2.1 Community Futures Wild Rose 2025 Executive Summary
- 11.2.2 Community Futures Wild Rose Board – Regular Meeting Minutes – February 6, 2025
- 11.2.3 WHMB Signed Minutes – February 20, 2025
- 11.2.4 WREMP Advisory Committee – Unapproved Minutes – March 13, 2025
- 11.2.5 Municipal Library Board – Annual Organizational Meeting Minutes 2025-01-28
- 11.2.6 Municipal Library Board – Emergency Budget Meeting Minutes 2024-12-09
- 11.2.7 Municipal Library Board – Meeting-Minutes 2025-01-28
- 11.2.8 Municipal Library Board – Special Meeting Minutes 2024-11-25
- 12.2 WHMB Audited Financial Statements 2024

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

8.1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2025

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council adopt the March 19, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented in Attachment I.

9. BUSINESS

9.1. Events Budget Adjustment

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council rescind Resolution No. 324.11.24 which states:

"THAT Council add \$10,000 to the 2025 Proposed Budget for the Strathmore Wheatland Chamber of Commerce to support an MOU for them to host three (3) events, the Stampede Parade, Business Awards Night and Trade Show."

AND THAT Council direct Administration to utilize the same funds for hosting the Stampede Parade and supporting economic development.

9.2. Property Tax Recovery – Tax Auction Advertisement

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council direct Administration to advertise the July 3, 2025 scheduled Tax Recovery Auction for properties in arrears, pursuant to *Section 421(1) of the Municipal Government Act*.

9.3. Culture and Wellbeing Task Force

Resolution No. 091.04.25

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council rescind Resolution No. 061.03.25, as this item was not listed on the March 12, 2025 Special Council Meeting agenda.

"THAT Council direct Administration to bring to the April 2, 2025 Regular Council Meeting a revised Terms of Reference for the Community Wellness Taskforce, with a focus on the planning and advisory function of the taskforce;

AND THAT Council move to extend the term of the Community Wellness Taskforce from May 2025 to September 10, 2025."

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 092.04.25

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council adopt the Culture and Wellbeing Task Force Terms of Reference as presented in Attachment I;

AND THAT Council allocate \$30,000 from the Financial Stabilization Reserve to support culture and wellbeing events and initiatives.

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

AGAINST: Councillor Montgomery and Councillor Wiley

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS

10.1. Proposed WestCreek Area Structure Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 25-07

Resolution No. 093.04.25

Moved by Councillor Wegener

THAT Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 25-07, being a bylaw to amend the WestCreek Area Structure Plan Bylaw 08-22;

AND THAT Council direct Administration to schedule a Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 25-07 on May 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

10.2. 2025 Water Reservoir Borrowing Bylaw No. 25-03

Resolution No. 094.04.25

Moved by Councillor Wiley

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

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

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 095.04.25

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

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

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Langmaid, 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

Councillor Montgomery asked Councillor Peterson if the Community Futures Bibliography had been received.

Councillor Montgomery asked a question on item 11.2.3 - WHMB Signed Minutes - February 20, 2025 for clarification.

11.2. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.2.1. Community Futures Wild Rose 2025 Executive Summary

11.2.2. Community Futures Wild Rose Board – Regular Meeting Minutes – February 6, 2025

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11.3. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

None.

11.4. ADMINISTRATIVE INQUIRIES

None.

11.5. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1. WHMB Requisition Requests – Town of Strathmore

Councillor Wiley asked if a WHMB Councillor member could explain how deficits work to the Town of Strathmore residents in relation to item 12.1 – WHMB Requisition Requests – Town of Strathmore.

12.2. WHMB Audited Financial Statements 2024

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fule adjourned the April 2, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 8:50 p.m.



Mayor



Director of Strategic, Administrative,
and Financial Services