

**Town of Bon Accord
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes
March 21, 2023 9:00 a.m.
Live streamed on Bon Accord YouTube Channel**

**COUNCIL
PRESENT**

Mayor Brian Holden
Deputy Mayor Lynn Bidney
Councillor Lacey Laing
Councillor Timothy J. Larson
Councillor Tanya May

ADMINISTRATION

Jodi Brown – Town Manager
Falon Fayant – Corporate Services Manager
Jenny Larson – Planning and Economic Development Officer
Lila Quinn – Community Services Manager
Terry Doerkson – Operations Supervisor
Jessica Caines – Legislative Services and Communications Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Holden called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

A minute of silence was taken in honour of the passing of Constable Brett Ryan and Constable Travis Jordan of the Edmonton Police Service.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council adopt the March 21, 2023 agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-117

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Council Briefing Meeting Minutes – March 2, 2023

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the March 2, 2023 Council Briefing Meeting as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-118

Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – March 7, 2023

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the March 7, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-119

DELEGATION

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accept the 2022 Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-120

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DEPARTMENTS REPORT

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accept the departments report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-121

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council Community Connections 2023 Dates

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council directs administration to plan and advertise the Council Community Connections public engagement session on June 17 from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. in Centennial Park with Council Chambers as a back up location AND FURTHER THAT administration bring back this topic to a June meeting to set the date for August.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-122

Council Benefits

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts the RFD as information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-123

Dark Sky Planning for 2023

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council approve this preliminary plan to begin revitalizing the Dark Sky designation.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-124

Laying Hens – Land Use Bylaw Amendment Request

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council direct administration to plan a Public Open House event about laying hens to provide background information for residents and to gather resident input on the proposed Land Use Bylaw amendment AND FURTHER THAT Council directs administration to advise the delegate of the decision to seek public input on this matter.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-125

Arena Ice Rental Fees (2023 - 2024 Season)

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council hold the ice rental fees for the arena at the current rates for the 2023 – 2024 season.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-126

NEW BUSINESS

Draft 2022 Audited Financial Statements

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accepts this RFD regarding the draft 2022 audited financial statements and the unrestricted operating surplus as information and directs administration to bring back recommendations to the April 4th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-127

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Library Request: Medieval Fair

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council approve the use of Centennial Park for the Friends of the Bon Accord Public Library on August 12 and 13, 2023 for their Medieval Fair and waive the rental and damage deposit fees associated with this facility AND FURTHER THAT administration grant permission for the organization to reside in the park overnight to protect their belongings and contact the library in regards to the hours of operation of this event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-128

Mayor Holden called a short recess at 10:57 a.m.

Mayor Holden called the meeting back to order at 11:07 a.m.

BYLAWS/POLICIES/AGREEMENTS

Significant Life Events Recognition Policy

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council postpone the Significant Life Events Recognition Policy and bring back once it has been reevaluated by administration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-129

Proclamation – Economic Development Week

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council approve the addition of Economic Development Week to the Special Days, Weeks and Months Policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-130

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT the meeting extend past 12:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-131

WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

Go East of Edmonton 2023 Business & Community Digital Marketing Conference

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council directs administration to register Mayor Holden and Jenny Larson to attend the Go East of Edmonton 2023 Business & Community Digital Marketing Conference.

In Favour: Mayor Holden, Councillor Laing, Councillor Larson, Councillor May

Opposed: Deputy Mayor Bidney

CARRIED RESOLUTION 23-132

COUNCIL REPORTS

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council accept the Council reports as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-133

CORRESPONDENCE

Gibbons Annual Golf Charity Classic and Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament – Save the Dates

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COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council direct administration to register Mayor Holden and Councillor Larson for the Gibbons Annual Golf Charity Classic on June 23 and Mayor Holden and Councillor Larson for the Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament on June 16.

In Favour: Mayor Holden, Deputy Mayor Bidney, Councillor Laing, Councillor Larson

Opposed: Councillor May

CARRIED RESOLUTION 23-134

Electric Vehicle Association of Alberta

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council accept the letter as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-135

Business @ Lunch with Premier Smith – St. Alberta and District Chamber of Commerce

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council direct administration to register Mayor Holden, Deputy Mayor Bidney and Councillor Larson for the Business @ Lunch with Premier Smith.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-136

CLOSED SESSION

- ***ACRWC Regional Agreement – FOIP Act 25(1)(d) Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body***
- ***Economic Development Assessment – FOIP Act 16(1) Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party***
- ***Utility Account Adjustment – FOIP Act 17(1) Disclosure harmful to personal privacy and 25(1) Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council enter into closed session to discuss ACRWC Regional Agreement – FOIP Act 25(1)(d) Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body, Economic Development Assessment – FOIP Act 16(1) Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party, and Utility Account Adjustment – FOIP Act 17(1) Disclosure harmful to personal privacy and 25(1) Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body at 12:03 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-137

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council come out of closed session at 1:02 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-138

Alberta Capital Region Wastewater Commission (ACRWC) – FOIP Act 25(1)(d) Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council directs administration to forward the correspondence as presented to the Alberta Capital Region Wastewater Commission.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-139

Economic Development Assessment – FOIP Act 16(1) Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council directs administration to invite Paul Salvatore from Municipal Experts Inc to be a delegate at the April Council Briefing Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-140

Utility Account Adjustment – FOIP Act 17(1) Disclosure harmful to personal privacy and 25(1) Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accept the RFD as information.


CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-141

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT the March 21, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 1:05 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 23-142



Mayor Brian Holden

Jodi Brown, CAO

