

**Town of Bon Accord
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes
February 18, 2025 9:00 a.m.
Live streamed on Bon Accord YouTube Channel**

**COUNCIL
PRESENT**

Mayor Brian Holden
Councillor Lynn Bidney
Councillor Lacey Laing
Councillor Tanya May

REGRETS

Deputy Mayor Timothy J. Larson

ADMINISTRATION

Jodi Brown – Town Manager
Falon Fayant – Corporate Services Manager
Jessica Spaidal – Legislative Services and Communications Coordinator
Brea Tallman - Receptionist

CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council adopt the February 18, 2025 agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-059

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

February 4, 2025; Regular Council Meeting

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council adopt the February 4, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-060

DEPARTMENTS REPORT

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accept the report as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-061

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of CRASC ARB Members

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council appoint the following individuals to the Capital Region Assessment Services Commission (CRASC) Assessment Review Board (ARB):

- Raymond Ralph as ARB Chair
- Gerryl Amarin as Certified ARB Clerk, and
- Darlene Chartrand, Sheryl Exley, Tina Groszko, Richard Knowles, Marcel

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LeBlanc, and Raymond Ralph as Certified Panelists.

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Appointment of Bon Accord Library Board Member

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council appoints Annette McManus to the Bon Accord Public Library Board for a term expiring April 4, 2028.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-063

Fire Hall Maintenance Budget

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council approves the reallocation of \$2,500 from the Facility Infrastructure Reserve to Fire Hall Maintenance in the 2025 operating budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-064

Allocation of 2024 Surplus

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED Council approves the allocation of 2024 surplus as presented.

\$4,000 from administration surplus for Town office building duct cleaning.

\$7,500 from parks surplus (Sturgeon Recreation grant funding) for arena duct cleaning.

\$2,500 from FCSS surplus for summer programs space rental.

\$3,000 from cemetery surplus for cemetery bylaw legal review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-065

BYLAWS|POLICIES|AGREEMENTS

Animal Control Bylaw – Third Reading

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accepts the amendment to remove insurance requirements to the third and final reading of Animal Control Bylaw 2024-16.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-066

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council gives third and final reading to Animal Control Bylaw 2024-16 as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-067

Use of Council Chambers Policy Amendment

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council approves the amendment to permit Community Services Programming at the discretion of the Town Manager for Policy #20-116 Use of Council Chambers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-068

COUNCIL REPORTS

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-069

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CORRESPONDENCE

CUPW Input Request Letter

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT the town write a letter to the Federal Minister of Labour, Steven MacKinnon, Federal Minister of Public Services and Procurement of Canada, Jean-Yves Duclos and Dane Lloyd, MP in support of maintaining Canada Post services in our community.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-070

Joint Use Planning Agreement Extension – Ministerial Order and Letter

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council accepts the correspondence as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-071

CLOSED SESSION

- ***Plan 9022300 Lot 2 – FOIP Act Section 16 Disclosure harmful to business interests of the third party, Section 24 Advice from officials, and Section 27 Privileged information***
- ***Arena Advertising Agreement – FOIP Act Section 24 Advice from officials***
- ***Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement – FOIP Act Section 21 Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations and 24 Advice from officials***
- ***Joint Use and Planning Agreement – FOIP Act Section 21 Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations and 24 Advice from officials***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council enter into closed session to discuss *Plan 9022300 Lot 2 – FOIP Act Section 16 Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party, Section 24 Advice from officials, and Section 27 Privileged information, Arena Advertising Agreement – FOIP Act Section 24 Advice from officials, Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement – FOIP Act Section 21 Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations and 24 Advice from officials, Joint Use and Planning Agreement – FOIP Act Section 21 Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations and 24 Advice from officials* at 9:33 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-072

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council come out of closed session at 10:39 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-073

Plan 9022300 Lot 2 – FOIP Act Section 16 Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party, Section 24 Advice from officials, and Section 27 Privileged information

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accepts the information presented by the Town Manager and directs administration to prepare and bring back further estimates for detailed consideration and review at the next meeting.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-074

Arena Advertising Agreement – FOIP Act Section 24 Advice from officials

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council directs administration to draft a new agreement with CNN Spurs for arena board advertising for Council review and approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-075

Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement – FOIP Act Section 21 Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations and 24 Advice from officials

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council directs administration to provide additional information for further consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-076

Joint Use and Planning Agreement – FOIP Act Section 21 Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations and 24 Advice from officials

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council recognizes the value of accessible community spaces but maintains its stance on the inefficiencies and complexities associated with booking school facilities due to ownership, operational, and legal considerations AND FURTHER THAT Council instructs administration to negotiate the terms of the Joint Use and Planning Agreement and return with a draft agreement for Council's review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-077

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT the February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 10:42 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-078

ORIGINAL SIGNED

Mayor Brian Holden

ORIGINAL SIGNED

Jodi Brown, CAO