

**Town of Bon Accord  
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes  
April 1, 2025 6:00 p.m.  
Live streamed on Bon Accord YouTube Channel**

**COUNCIL  
PRESENT**

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

**ADMINISTRATION**

Jodi Brown – Town Manager  
Steven Brown – Lead Hand Operator  
Jessica Spaidal – Legislative Services and Communications Supervisor

**CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Mayor Holden called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

There were no objections to removing item 7.3 Councillor May Motion – Rotating Committee of the Whole meetings.

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council adopt the April 1, 2025 agenda as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-136**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

***March 18, 2025; Regular Council Meeting***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council adopt the March 18, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council minutes as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-137**

***March 26, 2025; Committee of the Whole Meeting***

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council adopt the March 26, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-138**

**DELEGATION**

***S.Sgt. Darcy McGunigal – Morinville RCMP Quarterly Report***

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts the S.Sgt. Darcy McGunigal's report as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-139**

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***Councillor Trina Jones and Rachel de Vos – Alberta Municipalities – Police Funding Model Resolution***

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts Councillor Trina Jones and Rachel de Vos's presentation as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-140**

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Councillor Laing Motion – School Bus Stop Lights***

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council directs administration to bring this topic back to the next Committee of the Whole meeting for discussion.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-141**

***Councillor Laing Motion – Provincial Cuts – Disability Funding***

COUNCILLOR LAING rescinded her motion.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-142**

***Sturgeon Regional Partnership - Regional Housing Assessment Proposal***

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council direct administration to bring the topic back to the April 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.

1 Opposed

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-143**

***Digital Signs***

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council direct administration to remove the highway sign located at 4706 - 51 Street (old liquor store location) at a cost of no more than \$3000.00 + GST with funds allocated from the Gateway Plan Reserve and to store the sign at public works until Council can decide otherwise.

**MOTION TO AMEND**

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED to amend the motion on the floor to dispose of the sign.

1 Opposed

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-144**

**UPDATED MOTION**

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council direct administration to remove the highway sign located at 4706 - 51 Street (old liquor store location) at a cost of no more than \$3000.00 + GST with funds allocated from the Gateway Plan Reserve.

2 Opposed

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-145**

Mayor Holden called a short recess at 7:46 p.m.

Mayor Holden called the meeting back to order at 7:56 p.m.

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***Transfer to Tax Roll***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council directs that \$5137.34 be added to tax roll #52400 for the property at 4742 51st Avenue, legally described as Plan 7921533; Block 14; Lot 32 (the "Property"), representing the amount owed to the Town of Bon Accord under s. 549(5)(b) of the Municipal Government Act for expenses and costs incurred by the Town of Bon Accord up until April 01st, 2025, and from that date the invoices from legal counsel related to the Property shall be added to the Property's tax roll on a monthly basis, on notice to every person with an interest in the Property.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-146**

***Sewer Camera***

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council bring this topic back to the April 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-147**

***FCM Grant Matching Funds***

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council approves an additional \$100,000 in matching funds for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Implementation Projects: Adaptation in Action grant program (NA2 Nautilus Pond Phase Project), bringing the total approved matching fund contribution to \$200,000, as per resolution #24-301 and that these funds will be allocated from the General Reserve AND FURTHER THAT Council directs the Town Manager to sign the grant agreement for this funding.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-148**

***Staff Training and Professional Development Plan 2025***

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council approves the reallocation of \$15,000 from the taxation budget to staff training and professional development as presented.

1 Opposed

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-149**

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council extend the meeting past 9:00 p.m. if necessary.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-150**

**BYLAWS/POLICIES/AGREEMENTS**

***Council Remuneration Policy***

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT the Council Remuneration Policy be adopted without the in-town meeting per diems with the terminology changes as discussed AND FURTHER THAT Council direct administration to bring back the policy to the next Regular Council Meeting.

Councillor May requested a recorded vote.

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

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Opposed: Councillor May, Councillor Laing

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-151**

Mayor Holden rescinded his motion regarding Per Diems.

***Public Participation Policy***

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council approve the Public Participation Policy as presented.

1 Opposed

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-152**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

***Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament***

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council directs administration to register Mayor Holden and Deputy Mayor Larson for the Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament.

1 Opposed

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-153**

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

***Mayor Holden – Local Procurement***

**CLOSED SESSION**

***Town Manager Evaluation – FOIP Act Section 19 Confidential evaluations***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council enter into closed session to discuss *Town Manager Evaluation – FOIP Act Section 19 Confidential evaluations* at 9:13 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-154**

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council come out of closed session at 9:42 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-155**

***Town Manager Evaluation – FOIP Act Section 19 Confidential evaluations***

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council directs Mayor Holden to proceed as directed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-156**

**ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT the April 1, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 9:44 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-157**

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Mayor Brian Holden

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Jodi Brown, CAO