

**Town of Bon Accord
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes
October 7, 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
Falon Fayant – Corporate Services Manager
Jessica Spaidal – Legislative Services & Communications Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council adopt the October 7, 2025, agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-386

PROCLAMATIONS

*Fire Prevention Week
Small Business Week*

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

September 16, 2025; Regular Council Meeting

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council approves the September 16, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-387

September 25, 2025; Special Council Meeting

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council approves the September 25, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-388

DELEGATION

Chad Moore, Sturgeon County Protective Services – Fire Master Plan

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts the report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-389

Chester Castillo, MPE Engineering – Spruce Meadow Lane Engineering Study

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DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts the report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-390

Mayor Holden called a short recess at 7:20 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-391

Mayor Holden called the meeting back to order at 7:29 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

EV Charging Stations: Insurance

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council does not approve the installation of the EV charging station additional safeguards.

Councillor May requested a recorded vote.

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

Opposed: Deputy Mayor Larson

CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-392

NEW BUSINESS

FORTIS Franchise Fees

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council supports no change to the Fortis franchise fees for 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-393

Monument Restoration at Veterans Memorial Park

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council approves the restoration work required on the 3 monuments at Veterans Memorial Park up to a cost of \$6,000.00 to be funded by surplus in the Parks department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-394

Public Skating – Stick & Puck Program

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council approves charging no fee for the stick and puck skating program AND FURTHER THAT Council approves a pilot project for this season.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-395

Spruce Meadow Lane Engineering Study

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council postpones the discussion to after the municipal election.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-396

BYLAWS/POLICIES/AGREEMENTS

Policies to Rescind

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COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council rescinds Commercial Electronic Sign Policy 15.31 and the Tree Removal Policy 95.555.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-397

WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

FCSSAA Conference

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council direct administration to register one member of the Community Services Advisory Board or Mayor Holden.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-398

Gibbons Remembrance Day Ceremony Invitation

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council direct administration to RSVP one Councillor to attend the Gibbons Remembrance Day Ceremony, to be determined after the election.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-399

CORRESPONDENCE

Bon Accord Childcare Needs Assessment Report Conducted by Government of Alberta/Deloitte

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts the report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-400

Red Shoe Gala – SAIF

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accept the Red Shoe Gala as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-401

Councillor Laing moved that the meeting go past 9:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-402

CUPW – Canada Post Mandate Review Letter

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accepts the letter as information.

1 opposed

CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-403

GO East of Edmonton – Letter of Support Request

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council direct administration to write a letter for GO East of Edmonton in support of their request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-404

Royal Canadian Navy Niobe Ball Invitation

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accepts the invitation as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-405

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Invitation to Meet with Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors at 2025 Alberta Municipalities Convention

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council accept the correspondence as information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-406

NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor Bidney – Financial Reporting

There were no objections to discussing the notice of motion as urgent business.

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council direct administration look into expanded transparency in financial reporting, to include monies paid to consultants to be a separate line item for each department, reported on a quarterly basis, in addition to unplanned expenses and where the money was taken from, and regular reporting of reserve balances.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-407

CLOSED SESSION

- **Engineering Services RFP – ATIA Section 32 Privileged information**
- **Tax Recovery – ATIA Section 20 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, Section 29 Advice from officials and Section 32 Privileged information**
- **Personnel – ATIA Section 20 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, Section 22 Confidential evaluations, and Section 29 Advice from officials**

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council enter into closed session to discuss Engineering Services RFP – ATIA Section 32 Privileged information; Tax Recovery – ATIA Section 20 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, Section 29 Advice from officials and Section 32 Privileged information; and Personnel – ATIA Section 20 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, Section 22 Confidential evaluations, and Section 29 Advice from officials at 8:54 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-408

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council come out of closed session at 9:33 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-409

Engineering Services RFP – ATIA Section 32 Privileged information

DEPUTY MAYOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council postpones this item until after the election, on November 4, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-410

Tax Recovery – ATIA Section 20 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, Section 29 Advice from officials and Section 32 Privileged information

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accepts the tax recovery as information.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-411

Personnel – ATIA Section 20 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, Section 22 Confidential evaluations, and Section 29 Advice from officials

COUNCILLOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council directs Mayor Holden to proceed as discussed.

2 Opposed

CARRIED RESOLUTION 25-412

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT the October 7, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 9:35 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 25-413

ORIGINAL SIGNED

Mayor Brian Holden

ORIGINAL SIGNED

Jodi Brown, CAO