

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF BERWYN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 27, 2021
VILLAGE OF BERWYN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 PM

PRESENT:

Cindy Hockley
Ken Montie
Kim Steeves
Brienne Nettelfield
John Bak

Mayor
Deputy Mayor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor

Greg Gayton
Barb Schofield
Kristin Dyck

CAO
Recorder
Mile Zero News/Banner Post Reporter

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Berwyn Village Council was held electronically with video conferencing software. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Mayor Hockley.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 01-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Steeves that Council approve the Village of Berwyn regular Council meeting agenda as amended.

ADDITIONS: 7.5 Viability Review Submission

7.6 Viability Review Capital Plan Update

10.2 Cheque List #15331 - 15405 **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 02-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Montie that Council adopt the minutes from the May 13, 2021 Regular Council meeting as amended.

A change was made as it was noted that questions from the media was in the minutes twice.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

6. DELEGATIONS

None

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

7. NEW BUSINESS

CAO presented the completed operating and capital budgets for approval.

7.1 Budget Approval

RESOLUTION NO. 03-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Montie that Council approve the 2021 Operating Budget as presented.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 04-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Bak that Council approve the 2021 Capital Budget as presented.

CARRIED

7.2 Mill Rate Bylaw #679

The mill rate bylaw is prepared annually. Council reviewed some historical information on the assessment base and the mill rates. CAO noted that the municipal taxation rates were unchanged from 2020's rates.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Bak to pass the 2nd reading of Bylaw #679 – 2021 Taxation Rates.

CARRIED

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RESOLUTION NO. 06-05-27-21

MOVED by Mayor Hockley to pass the 3rd and final reading of Bylaw #679 – 2021 Taxation Rates.

CARRIED

7.3 Pre-construction meeting agenda

CAO Gayton and Public Works Foreman, Merv Foot had a pre-construction meeting with Velocity Group and New Gen Projects Ltd. to go over Environmental issues, utilities and property issues, contractors schedule, owner concerns, contractor concerns, Velocity concerns, Occupational Health and Safety – owner/prime contractors' responsibilities.

Council had a couple of questions, one was, what does S.P.D. stand for and who is the site safety representative for the project.

CAO Gayton and Public Works Foreman, Merv Foot will be having a speaker phone meeting on May 28, 2021 with the engineer involved with the project, Jason Schuler, and will ask the above questions.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Bak to accept the minutes from the Water and Sewer Service Rehabilitation Project as information.

CARRIED

7.4 Council Action Plan

CAO Gayton gave Council information showing what had been completed and what needs to be completed regarding the Viability review. CAO Gayton will send in the Action Plan report for the Viability review and the 10 Year Capital Plan report on June 1, 2021. The Capital Plan is unchanged from our March 31, 2021 submission.

7.5 Viability Review Submission

RESOLUTION NO. 08-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Nettelfield to accept the Village of Berwyn Viability Plan Progress report.

CARRIED

7.6 Viability Review Capital Plan update

RESOLUTION NO. 09-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Montie to accept the 10 Year Capital Plan update.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Angela Duncan – AUMA Update

We received an update on some of the work that AUMA is doing advocating for Alberta municipalities. Federal Gas Tax – The federal government will be doubling the Gas Tax that Municipalities receive this year.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Bak to accept the AUMA update as information.

CARRIED

8.2 Alberta Health – Dedicated Webpage

Alberta Health Services (AHS) had conversations with community leaders and they had many requests for information and resources from Mayors and Reeves who want to share important public health messages with their communities. Alberta Health Services therefore developed a dedicated webpage for Community Partners & Stakeholders.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Nettelfield to accept the Alberta Health Services Dedicated Webpage as information.

CARRIED

8.3 Physician Retention Committee – Rent Subsidy

Information was shared regarding covering rent costs for the new doctor. Rental costs on two rentals were provided. Other municipalities sharing in this cost were the Town of Grimshaw, M.D. of Peace, and the County of Northern Lights.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Steeves to advise the Doctor Retention Committee that

Berwyn is willing to partner on the rent costs for the new doctor coming into our area for the two month period.

CARRIED

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8.4 Municipal Affairs – 2021 MSI Grant

This funding will allow local governments to sustain existing projects, continue stimulating the economy, and build the infrastructure Albertans rely on.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Montie to accept the Municipal Sustainability Initiative 2021 grant information as information. **CARRIED**

8.5 Minister of Municipal Affairs – Recall Act

The Village of Berwyn Council had administration send a letter of their concerns to Jason Kenney regarding Bill 52, the Recall Act. They replied to our letter informing us that the recall legislation would strengthen democracy by allowing Albertans to hold elected officials accountable throughout their term not just during elections.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Nettelfield to accept the letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs as information. **CARRIED**

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

10. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

10.1 CAO Report

CAO Gayton spoke with GFL about our recycle cardboard bins always filling up and some of the other bins only have a small amount of recycle in them. He informed us that all the material goes in the same truck so there is no longer a need to separate paper from cardboard or plastic, the only material to be dealt with separately is glass. We plan to have decals added to the bins in the near future.

CAO Gayton has been taken training modules for the upcoming elections. The election agreement with the Holy Family Catholic Regional Division is done, we are waiting for an agreement with Peace River School Division. The CAO has reviewed information on the Senate election.

CAO Gayton is planning on taking time off in September which is during Nomination Day and he will have the Municipal Clerk, Heather Fawcett trained as substitute Returning Officer so she is able to look after it for him.

The derelict mobile homes have been removed from the properties at 5516-51 St., 4806-49 St. and 5118-50 Ave. Council discussed the Village will level the yards and get them ready to sell.

CAO Gayton will look into having someone do streets sweeping.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Montie to accept the CAO Report as presented. **CARRIED**

10.2 Cheque List #'s 15331 – 15405

RESOLUTION NO. 16-05-27-21

MOVED by Councillor Nettelfield to accept the cheque list as presented. **CARRIED**

Mayor Hockley asked Kristin Dyck, Mile Zero News/Banner Post if she had any questions, she had no questions.

11. IN CAMERA

None

Moved by Councillor Bak that the meeting adjourn. **CARRIED**

Time of adjournment 8:07 p.m.



Cindy Hockley
Mayor



Greg Gayton
Chief Administrative Officer