



**TOWN OF STRATHMORE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

**March 18, 2020, 7:00 PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER**

COUNCIL	Pat Fule Bob Sobol Lorraine Bauer (via phone) Jason Montgomery (via phone) Melanie Corbiell (via phone) Denise Peterson Tari Cockx (via phone)	Mayor Councillor Councillor Councillor Deputy Mayor Councillor Councillor
STAFF	James Thackray Ryan Roycroft Tracy Simpson Mel Tiede	CAO Director, IOD Director, CPS Director, Corporate Services
RECORDING SECRETARY	Debra Heemeryck	Senior Legislative Assistant

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Fule called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Resolution No. 091.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL move In Camera at 6:33PM.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 092.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL move out of Camera at 7:03PM

CARRIED

2. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Resolution No. 093.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT Council adopt the March 18, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Agenda with the following amendments:

Deletions:

Item 3.1 Item Pertaining to FOIPP s. 17(1)(a)

Item 3.2 Item Pertaining to FOIPP s. 24(1)(g)

Item 3.3 Item Pertaining to FOIPP s. 24(1)(b)

Additions:

Item 3.1 Item Pertaining to FOIPP s. 24(1)(g)

Item 3.2 Item Pertaining to FOIPP s. 18(1)(b)

Item 9.4 Penalties on Unpaid Utility and Tax Accounts

Item 9.5 Emergency and Working Capital

CARRIED

3. IN CAMERA

3.1 Items Pertaining to FOIPP s. 17(1)(a)

3.2 Items Pertaining to FOIPP s. 24(1)(g)

3.3 item Pertaining to FOIPP s. 24(1)(b)

4. PRESENTATION(S)/RECOGNITIONS

None.

5. DELEGATIONS

None.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

None.

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 Adoption of the March 4, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Resolution No. 094.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT COUNCIL adopt the March 4, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

CARRIED

8. TABLED ITEM(S)

None.

9. ITEMS/REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

9.1 Canadian Badlands Shareholder Representative

Resolution No. 095.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT COUNCIL postpone Item 9.1 - Canadian Badlands Shareholder Representative to the April 15, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

9.2 Economic Development Update

Resolution No. 096.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL postpone Item 9.2 - Economic Development Update to the April 15, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

9.3 Aspen Pond Drainage

Resolution No. 097.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT COUNCIL postpone Item 9.3 - Aspen Pond Drainage Update to the April 15, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

9.4 Penalties on Unpaid Utilities and Tax Accounts

Resolution No. 098.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL direct Administration to not enforce penalties or collection action on past due utility and tax accounts from March 18, 2020 to May 31, 2020.

CARRIED

9.5 Emergency and Working Capital

Resolution No. 099.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT Council accept the Emergency and Working Capital Report for information.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 100.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL direct Administration concerning a borrowing bylaw to fund emergency expenditures and contain working capital in the event of default on utility and tax payments as a result of the COVID-19 situation and that such as proposed Bylaw come to council at the April 1, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

10.1 Reports for Councillors from Committees in Which They Sit Update

Strathmore and District Chamber of Commerce – Councillor Sobol

Advised that the AGM for the SDCC has been postponed and no date has been set.

Wheatland Housing Management Board – Councillor Peterson

WHMB looking after Social Housing and Wheatland Lodge is now basically locked down and the residents in a meeting decided to do this together they are supportive and staying strong and residents are doing very well.

Marigold Library – Councillor Peterson

Has suspended all their meeting and they are encouraging all residents to go on-line as the library is a banquet for parents who have children at home and will be posting this in the near future.

Strathmore Overnight Shelter – Councillor Peterson

Is doing well and following all the guidelines that were sent to them by the Alberta Rural Development Network and all of these organizations has expressed gratitude for the leadership shown by the Administration of the Municipality. Councillor Bauer thanked Councillor Peterson for forwarding the guidelines to the Board that Elizabeth Karp has show extreme passion as to how the COVID-19 situation is impacting the shelter.

Wheatland Housing Management Board - Councillor Peterson

Regards to a public meeting with WHMB where Councillor Ikert from Wheatland County had brought forth a consideration to the Council about our social housing and whether WHMB would consider going to Treasury to look into selling our social housing units in Strathmore and so that was brought forward respectfully and it was declined by the WHMB and at this time they will not be pursuing this matter.

Handi Bus - Councillor Montgomery

Would like to report that the Handi Bus service has been cut back to critical medical appointments and will try and sustain the service for as long as possible but service may have to be temporarily suspended.

Resolution No. 101.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT COUNCIL accept the Committee Reports for information.

CARRIED

11. ITEMS DIRECTLY RELATED TO COUNCIL

None.

12. BYLAWS

12.1 Bylaw 20-07 Fees Bylaw Amendment Bylaw

Resolution No. 102.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL postpone Item 12.1 - Bylaw No. 20-07 Fees Bylaw Amendment Bylaw to the April 15, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

13. URGENT BUSINESS

None.

14. QUESTIONS BETWEEN COUNCILLORS AND COUNCIL STATEMENTS

Councillor Sobol

Has been watching some Facebook and many groups or people are getting organized to supply free delivery of groceries and pharmacy products to anybody who needs it at no cost. I am absolutely amazed at the message that is getting through and this turmoil and grief that everyone is dealing with and we have so many people in the community looking after each other. It is making life a lot easier for residents and I would like to thank all these people and it makes our Town proud.

15. ADMINISTRATIVE INQUIRIES

15.1 Administrative Inquiry Response - Trade Shows

15.2 Administrative Inquiry Response - Website Services

16. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 103.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL move In Camera at 7:43PM.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 104.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT COUNCIL move out of Camera at 9:09PM.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 105.03.20

Moved by Councillor Peterson

THAT COUNCIL call a Special Council Meeting for Friday March 20, 2020 at 3:00PM in Council Chambers for the purpose of discussing items pertaining to the Strathmore Municipal Building.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 106.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT COUNCIL direct Administration to prepare a report to be delivered to Council prior to the March 20, 2020 Special Council Meeting containing information with the several options as outlined by the CAO on the build and to be given to Council March 19, 2020.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 107.03.20

Moved by Councillor Sobol

THAT Council adjourn the March 18, 2020 Regular Council Meeting at 9:13PM.

CARRIED



Mayor


Chief Administrative Officer