

CITY OF LACOMBE
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 16-18

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on **October 11, 2016** in the Council Chambers of the City Administration Office.

Present: Mayor Steve Christie
Deputy Mayor Wayne Rempel
Councillor Wayne Armishaw
Councillor Peter Bouwsema
Councillor Grant Harder
Councillor Reuben Konnik
Councillor W.J. (Bill) McQuesten

Regrets: Brenda Vaughan, Community Services Director

Staff Present: Norma MacQuarrie, Chief Administrative Officer
Matthew Goudy, Operations and Planning Services Director
Michael Minchin, Corporate Services Director
Justin de Bresser, Financial Services Manager
Chris Huston, Utilities Manager
Lyla Peter, Planning and Development Services Manager
Jordan Thompson, Engineering Services Manager
Ross Pettibone, Executive Assistant/Legislative Coordinator

Media Present: Jared Hammer, Sunny 94
Ashli Barrett, Lacombe Globe
Lisa Joy, Blackfalds Life
Ryan Wellicome, Lacombe Express

Others Present Louise Rellis, Early Years Matter Coalition
Crystal Zens, Executive Director, Big Brothers Big Sisters
Darcy Stingel, Board Member, Big Brothers Big Sisters
Neil Evans, C4
Brittany Mulder, C4

CALL TO ORDER – Regular Meeting of Council

Mayor Christie called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED BY Councillor Armishaw:

11/178.18 16MO
Agenda adopted as
amended.
16-301

THAT the October 11, 2016 regular meeting agenda be adopted as amended to include one In Camera item (Lacombe Police Association Negotiations).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Councillor Konnik:

11/179.18 16MO
Minutes confirmed
as presented.
16-302

THAT the September 26, 2016 regular meeting minutes be confirmed as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INFORMATION

MOVED BY Councillor McQuesten:

11/173.43 16MO
Four items of
correspondence be
received as
information
16-303

THAT the following correspondence be received as information:

1. North Red Deer Regional Wastewater Services Commission August 15 Minutes
2. Lacombe Police Commission August 25 Minutes
3. Lacombe Police Commission August 25 Minutes (PT II)
4. Lacombe Police Commission September 9 Minutes

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PRESENTATIONS

Cranna Community Cultural Centre (C4) Initiative

Neil Evans and Brittany Mulder presented an update to Council on the C4 initiative. The project design was updated with a reduced footprint and reduced cost, modeled after the Jeanne & Peter Lougheed Performing Arts Centre as designed by BR2 Architecture in Camrose. The projected cost was \$27 million, with three intended contributors (\$9 million from the City, remainder from Province and Federal Government) along with additional fundraising. The multi-purpose venue would house an art gallery, a studio theatre, rehearsal space, and offer storage opportunities such as for the museum.

Early Years Matter Coalition

Ms. Louise Rellis presented an overview of their activities and update to Council on the Early Years Matter Coalition (supporting Alix, Bentley, Blackfalds, Clive, Eckville and Lacombe). The organization supports early childhood development (with an emphasis under the age of five) to obtain positive community benefits through partnerships and educational events for parents. Measurements of five areas of development (physical health and well being, social competence, emotional maturity, language and thinking skills, and communication skills/general knowledge) were highlighted within the EDI Report (from 2009 to 2013) for Lacombe. By working together family friendly, healthy communities with necessary support services and resources can offset poverty to see children thrive and do well. Areas of focus for children in Lacombe were communication, language and thinking skills, with 75 percent developing appropriately.

Big Brothers, Big Sisters

Ms. Crystal Zens and Mr. Darcy Stingel presented an update on the location change of Big Brothers, Big Sisters. Council was updated on progress since last year's presentation. The organization had relocated its operations to the historic Kent house with minimal impact on summer programming. A house had been purchased after extensive fundraising with grant applications in progress and a further presentation to be made to Lacombe County. Big Brothers Big Sisters were the fastest growing agency in Canada during the last 8 years. The home would provide a place for parents, mentors and matches to meet. Council was informed information was to follow by December from the assessor further to granting a requested tax exemption.

Councillor Rempel entered Council chambers at 5:53 p.m.

BYLAWS

Planning and Development Services

Bylaw 393 (Utility Bylaw)

Justin de Bresser, Financial Services Manager, and Chris Huston, Utilities Manager, presented the Utility Bylaw 393 for first reading, to amalgamate current Bylaw 70 (Water and Wastewater) and Bylaw 316 (Solid Waste) into one all-encompassing Bylaw for residential and commercial customers. Updated utilities rates would be presented during third reading, following budget deliberations. New utility accounts will be opened in property owner's names.

MOVED BY Councillor Rempel:

THAT Council give first reading to Utility Bylaw 393.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 400 (Land Use Bylaw)

Lyla Peter, Manager of Operations and Planning Services, presented Bylaw 400 for second reading. Recommended changes were included with further amendments brought forward for Bylaw 400.01 in the new year. Council was informed proposed implementation of Bylaw 400 was scheduled for January 1, 2017 following third reading on October 24, with Land Use Bylaw 300 in effect until December 31, 2016. Administration would include the recommended graphical updates in Bylaw 400 and review required railway setbacks.

11/175.45 16MO
THAT Council give first
reading to Utility Bylaw
393.
16-304

11/175.46 16MO
THAT Council Table
Second reading of
Bylaw #400
(DEFEATED)
16-305

MOVED BY Councillor Armishaw:

THAT Council table second reading of Bylaw 400.

DEFEATED

11/175.47 16MO
THAT Council give
second reading to
Bylaw 400: City of
Lacombe Land Use
Bylaw #400: Building
Lacombe, as amended
and attached to this
report.
16-306

MOVED BY Councillor Bouwsema

THAT Council give second reading to Bylaw 400: City of Lacombe Land Use Bylaw #400: Building Lacombe, as amended and attached to this report.

CARRIED

Bylaw 429 (Borrowing – SE Area Water Extension)

Michael Minchin, Director of Corporate Services, presented the Borrowing Bylaw 429 for first reading, to authorize the borrowing to fund the construction of the South East Water Trunk main extension, phase 1, in the South East Area Structure Plan Area. Costs will be recovered as development occurs.

11/175.48 16MO
THAT Council give first
reading to Bylaw 429
(SE Water Trunk main).
16-307

MOVED BY Councillor McQuesten:

THAT Council give first reading to Bylaw 429 (borrowing – SE Water Trunk main extension) as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Financial Services

Fortis Alberta 2017 Electrical Franchise Fee Rate

Michael Minchin, Director of Corporate Services, presented a proposed franchise fee rate to be charged for 2017. Council may vary the rate for 2017 by November 1, however administration recommended no change for 2017 in the franchise fee rate.

92/223.01 17MO
THAT Council set
the 2017 electrical
franchise fee for the
City of Lacombe at
the current rate of
6.2% of total
revenues derived
from Fortis Alberta's
delivery tariff for
electricity delivered
within the City of
Lacombe
16-308

MOVED BY Councillor Rempel:

THAT Council set the 2017 electrical franchise fee for the City of Lacombe at the current rate of 6.2% of total revenues derived from Fortis Alberta's delivery tariff for electricity delivered within the City of Lacombe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2017 Gas (ATCO) Franchise Fee Rate

Michael Minchin, Director of Corporate Services, presented the proposed franchise fee rate to be charged for 2017. Council may vary the rate for 2017 by November 1, however administration recommended no change for 2017 in the franchise fee rate.

91/411.01 17MO
THAT Council set the
2017 natural gas
franchise fee for the
City of Lacombe at the
current rate of 22% of
total revenues derived
from ATCO Gas's
delivery tariff for natural
gas delivered within the
City of Lacombe.
16-309

MOVED BY Councillor Armishaw:

THAT Council set the 2017 natural gas franchise fee for the City of Lacombe at the current rate of 22% of total revenues derived from ATCO Gas's delivery tariff for natural gas delivered within the City of Lacombe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council and Legislative

Battle River Watershed Alliance

Norma MacQuarrie, Chief Administrative Officer, presented for Council's consideration a request for membership from the Battle River Watershed Alliance at a cost of \$6,364.00.

41/154.01 16MO
THAT Council approve
the expenditure in
support of the Battle

MOVED BY Councillor Konnik:

River Watershed
Alliance (DEFEATED)
16-310

THAT Council approve the expenditure in support of the Battle River
Watershed Alliance.

DEFEATED UNANIMOUSLY

Recreation, Parks and Culture Services

ARPA Featured Community – Recreation for Life

Norma MacQuarrie, Chief Administrative Officer, presented a request from
the Recreation for Life foundation in support of the Alberta Recreation and
Parks Association for Council to support the City's participation in hosting a
2017 featured community event.

71/154.01 16MO
THAT Council endorse
this featured community
initiative and direct
administration to insert
the cost of up to \$3900
into the 2017 operating
budget.
16-311

MOVED BY Councillor Rempel:

THAT Council endorse this featured community initiative and direct
administration to insert the cost of up to \$3900 into the 2017 operating
budget.

CARRIED

Transportation Services

Closure of 39 Street

Matthew Goudy, Director of Operations and Planning Services, presented a
request for Council to approve the closure of an undeveloped road right of
way (approximately 0.62 acres) between 52 Avenue and 53 Avenue (39th
Street) in the Wolf Creek Industrial area, which was previously reviewed in
2014.

32/716.01 16MO
THAT Council direct
Administration to
proceed with making an
application to partially
close the 39th Street
road right of way,
between 52 Avenue
and 53 Avenue, and
subsequently to create
2 Light Industrial (I1)
lots for sale, as
described in this memo
(DEFEATED).
16-312

MOVED BY Councillor Bouwsema:

THAT Council direct Administration to proceed with making an application to
partially close the 39th Street road right of way, between 52 Avenue and 53
Avenue, and subsequently to create 2 Light Industrial (I1) lots for sale, as
described in this memo.

DEFEATED

Main Street Project Proposal (Parking Lot Design)

Jordan Thompson, Engineering Services Manager, presented a proposal to
amend the detailed design for the Main Street Program's scope with two
options for parking improvements in the Flatiron Plaza and Historic Downtown
Plaza, following a prior Council request to explore additional parking
opportunities. Costing will be reviewed during 2017 budget deliberations in
conjunction with the Capital Plan.

32/611.10 16MO
THAT Council direct
administration to revisit
the Main Street Project
parking lot improvement
scope of work and
provide an alternative
method of design at a
reduced cost.
16-313

MOVED BY Councillor Bouwsema:

THAT Council direct administration to revisit the Main Street Project parking
lot improvement scope of work and provide an alternative method of design at
a reduced cost. .

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Community Economic Development

C4 Committee Land Abeyance Extension

Norma MacQuarrie, Chief Administrative Officer, presented a request for
Council to consider a further one year extension to the current C4 Initiative
land abeyance agreement to October 31, 2017. It was agreed that a
discussion of the 10-year capital plan would occur prior to determining an
appropriate date for land abeyance.

62/154.01 16MO
THAT Council direct
administration to bring
forward the C4 Project
as part of the 10 year
capital plan review.
16-314

MOVED BY Councillor Harder:

THAT Council direct administration to bring forward the C4 Project as part of
the 10 year capital plan review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

11/173.44 16MO
THAT Council written
and verbal reports be
received as information.
16-315

MOVED BY Councillor Harder:

THAT Council written and verbal reports be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Meeting Recessed at 7:12 p.m.
Meeting Resumed at 7:17 p.m.*

IN CAMERA

11/177.45 16MO
In Camera
16-316

MOVED BY Councillor McQuesten:

THAT Council move In Camera at 7:18 PM to discuss the following item:

(1) Lacombe Police Association Negotiations (Personnel)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY Councillor Armishaw:

11/177.46 16MO
Open Meeting
16-317

THAT Council return to Open Meeting at 7:20 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY Mayor Christie:

11/177.47 16MO
Adjournment
16-318

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:20 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer