



City of Lacombe

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

November 27, 2017

Presentations

Smoking Bylaw Request

Ms. Joyce Smith presented a recommendation to Council to enact a non-smoking Bylaw or Policy affecting Alberta Government-owned senior's apartments in Lacombe, as managed by the Lacombe Foundation and contracted with the Bethany group. She stated that presently smoking is regulated through the use of an honor system in Spruce Terrace, which she believed ineffective. Ms. Smith also stated related concerns with the absence of strobe lights on smoke detectors, a shortage of building exits, and the proximity of a smoking area to windows and doorways, confirming her priorities were safety issues.

Environmental Services

Elizabeth Lake/Lake Anne Stabilization Options

Council passed a resolution to consider inclusion of the "gravity option" in the 10 Year Capital Plan.

Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission

Council approved the payment of \$31,500 to the Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission for the 2017 supplementary requisition, funded from the City's solid waste reserves.

Utilities

Natural Gas Contracts

Council directed Administration to move forward with securing up to a five-year term effective January 1, 2018, for a partial hedge equivalent to 50 percent of the weather-normalized volumes, where the price is not to exceed \$2.45/ GJ. The remaining volumes will be served at the AECO Index floating rate.

Council & Legislative

2017 Police Budget Amendment

Council endorsed the decision of the Lacombe Police Service to fund the purchase of a new vehicle and related equipment by taking \$25,000 from reserves.

Council also directed Administration to update the City's Reserve and Equity Accounts Policy, specifically as it relates to police reserves.

Request for Decision – Grant Application

Council directed Administration to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for the City of Lacombe's Asset Management Strategy and Capacity Building Initiative.

Be it therefore resolved that the City commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program:

- *Provide formal Asset Management training to key staff*
- *Draft an Asset Management Policy for Council's consideration, and*
- *Develop an Asset Management Strategy*

Be it further resolved that the City commits \$11,780 from its capital budget toward the cost of this initiative.

Protective Services

Request for Proposal Recommendation (Animal Control)

Council awarded a three-year contract for animal control services to Klassic Kennels, subject to the conditions and fees outlined in their proposal.

Financial Services

2018 Draft Budget (Operating and Capital)

Council received the draft 2018 capital and operating budget reports as information.

Transportation Services

Main Street Project Update

Council directed Administration to proceed with the additional repairs and replacements as described for \$117,874 (+GST), funded by savings realized in the Main Street Project.

Motions Out of Camera

Parent Link Request

Council unanimously defeated a motion to approve Parent Link's request for lease space extension to include the Rotary Room at the rates proposed.

****The next scheduled Council Committee Meeting is on December 4, 2017, at 5 p.m.***

****The next scheduled Regular Council Meeting is on December 18, 2017, at 5 p.m.***

****The next scheduled Regular Council Meeting is on January 8, 2018, at 5 p.m.***