

Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Legal in the Province of Alberta held in the Town Council Chambers, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 commencing at 7:00 PM.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Tremblay, Deputy Mayor Jones, Councillor Hammond, Councillor Hills, Councillor Malott

**ABSENT:**

**STAFF:** Robert Proulx – CAO  
Gizele St Jean – Manager of Corporate Services

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tremblay called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**Additions**

Councillor Malott Report  
Councillor Hills Report  
Deputy Mayor Jones Report  
Mayor Tremblay  
Invitation to Legal School Christmas Luncheon  
Donation Request from the St Emile Parish Re: Use of Centralta Community Centre

**Deletions**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**10182**      Resolution #10182      Moved By: Councillor Hammond

**RESOLVED** that the Agenda for the December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**10183**      Resolution #10183      Moved By: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes for the November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**DELEGATIONS**

**MLA Glenn van Dijken (Delegate)**

Mayor Tremblay welcomed MLA Glenn van Dijken for a Meet and Greet with the newly elected officials. MLA van Dijken congratulated the newly elected officials, and the re-elected officials. MLA van Dijken encouraged all of Council to work with the community by listening to the needs of the citizens. He supported municipalities working towards partnerships and collaboration with neighbouring municipalities. MLA van Dijken commented on some improvements which have been accomplished, such as the highway upgrade and the sewer line replacement. Mayor Tremblay informed MLA van Dijken that there are still concerns with ambulance service, the absence of a doctor in the community and seniors housing.

A public meeting with about eighty-five residents from Legal and Sturgeon County was held to discuss concerns with the Senior Housing accommodations at Chateau Sturgeon. At the present time, out of the 42 suites that Chateau Sturgeon has, 12 of them are vacant. The main concern was amenities and the size of the rooms.

Residents want more than just paint. Aging infrastructure needs to be addressed in order to help reduce vacancy. The building needs to be brought up to current safety codes in order to accommodate such things as two scooters to pass in a hallway, which is currently not possible. There will be no projects until a needs assessment has been completed. MLA van Dijken made a recommendation that if a community has enough strength and takes ownership as a partner with Homeland Housing by possibly raising funding to help the system as a whole to be more viable and attractive, then the partnership between private and provincially funded systems could work together. Fundraising to have realistic renovation projects up and going with the capacity and willingness from the community maybe an idea to consider with hopefully positive results for the community. Mayor Tremblay mentioned a new pharmacist was introduced at the public meeting and the pharmacist is currently seeking a doctor who would possibly come to Legal twice a week.

The Legal Fire Department has proceeded as a Medical First Response (MFR) which shares a valuable role in the care of patients before they arrive at a hospital. MFR's are key partners with Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in Alberta that provide timely aid to patients and assist EMS when requested. Alberta Health Services provides a Medical Director in order for the Legal Fire Department to provide MFR. Even though we have MFR, response times for ambulance service still remains a concern.

Council met with the RCMP at the AUMA conference in Calgary this year to discuss traffic control, citizen engagement and the increase in crimes - vehicle, property, and break and enter. The insufficient amount of staffing within the detachment when officers are on leave and how that affects our community for policing services was also discussed. MLA van Dijken mentioned it is a significant issue with the population increasing and not enough law enforcement. Paper work required now by the officer themselves is very time consuming but required for the courts. MLA van Dijken feels there needs to be a review of the justice system. Council stated residents would like to see a Citizens on Patrol (COP) program to help with the increased crime in our area. Council supports the program but has concerns with residents patrolling without the proper training and safety of the residents. MLA van Dijken spoke about another community that took that same initiative and it worked well. He suggested the community engage with the RCMP to establish lines of communication and processes that would need to be followed in order to run an effective and safe COP program. He encourages Council to set up an evening of education with the public as well as the MLA, MP, local law enforcement (RCMP) and Sturgeon Rural Crime Watch to listen and answer resident's concerns. He believes there may be provincial assistance with the cost of the training program to compensate expenses to help municipalities. It is difficult for government to meet all the demands of the communities and keep the spending in balance but provide the needs.

MLA van Dijken updated Council on the electoral boundaries, the Final Report setting out the recommendations for the areas, boundaries and name of the 87 electoral divisions in Alberta, together with the reasons for the proposals, was submitted by the Electoral Boundaries Commission to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Mayor Tremblay thanked MLA Glenn van Dijken for taking the time to come out and meet the new Council and attend the Council meeting.

Councillor Malott left Council Chambers at 8:33 P.M..

Councillor Malott returned to Council Chambers at 8:34 P.M..

CAO left Council Chambers at 8:34 P.M..

CAO returned to Council Chambers at 8:35 P.M..

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Letter from Sturgeon County Protective Services, Re: County Owned Engine**





10184      Resolution #10184      Moved By: Deputy Mayor Jones

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal not approve the purchase of the 1998 GMC Top Kick Fire Engine.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**Council Retreat**

10185      Resolution #10185      Moved By: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal schedule the Council Retreat for January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M..

**CARRIED 5-0**

**REPORTS**

**CAO**

Report was submitted and forms part of the package.

**Regular Scheduled Council Meeting on January 1, 2018**

10186      Resolution #10186      Moved By: Deputy Mayor Jones

**RESOLVED** that the January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 regular Council meeting be cancelled.

**CARRIED 5 - 0**

**MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

10187      Resolution #10187      Moved By: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the 2017 doubtful utility accounts totaling the amount of \$794.17 be written off as bad debt.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

**Mayor Tremblay**

Report submitted and forms part of the package.

**Deputy Mayor Jones**

Report submitted and forms part of the package.

**Councillor Hammond**

Report submitted and forms part of the package.

**Councillor Hills**

Report submitted and forms part of the package.

**Councillor Malott**

Report submitted and forms part of the package.

10188      Resolution #10188      Moved By: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**News Article Re: New Integrated Crime Reduction Unit Battling Crime in Central Alberta**

Received as information

**Legal Fire Department Christmas Party**

Received as information

**Letter of Congratulations from The Honourable Doug Black, Q.C.**

Received as information

**Letter of Congratulations from ACFA Régionale de Centralta**

Received as information

**Letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs, Re: Builder License: Active Building Permit Applications**

Received as information

**Letter of Congratulations from Alberta Seniors Communities & Housing Association**

Received as information

**Support Request from Kalyna Country Performing Arts Association**

Received as information

**Invitation to Legal School Christmas Luncheon**

Received as information

10189      Resolution #10189      Moved By: Councillor Hammond

**RESOLVED** that the correspondence be accepted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2018 Council Meeting Date Changes**

10190      Resolution #10190      Moved By: Councillor Hammond

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal reschedule the following regularly scheduled Council meetings due to Statutory Holidays:

February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (Family Day) be rescheduled to February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 (Easter Monday) be rescheduled to April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018  
May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 (Victoria Day) be rescheduled to May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018  
September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 (Labour Day) be rescheduled to September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

CARRIED 5-0

**Governance and Priorities Committee**

10191      Resolution #10191      Moved By: Deputy Mayor Jones

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal schedule the Governance and Priorities Committee meetings for the following dates at 7:00 P.M. (fourth Monday of every second month, with the exception of September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, and with no meetings held in July and August):

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
November 26, 2018

**CARRIED 5-0**

**Sponsorship Request for Legal & District Chamber of Commerce for 2018 Legal-Lerie**

10192      Resolution #10192      Moved By: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve the sponsorship request for the 2018 Legal-Lerie in the amount of One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$1680.00) for 12 issues (one page) and for FCSS to sponsor the 2018 Legal-Lerie in the amount of Eight Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars Twenty-Five Cents (\$866.25) for 12 issues (1/2 page).

**CARRIED 5-0**

**2018 FCSS Funding Agreement**

10193      Resolution #10193      Moved By: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal authorize the Chief Administration Officer to sign the 2018 FCSS Funding Agreement.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**Town Hall Meeting on Policing & Citizens on Patrol Committee**

Administration will prepare for a Town Hall Meeting - Policing which will be held on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Centralta Community Centre, and for a Citizens on Patrol (COP) Committee meeting to be held on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at the Citadel Centre at 7:00 P.M..

**Donation Request from Legal & District Chamber of Commerce Re: Use of Centralta Community Centre**

10194      Resolution #10194      Moved By: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve the Legal & District Chamber of Commerce's request to have access to the Centralta Community Centre for the Annual General Meeting and Business Networking Event scheduled for Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as one of the events under the Facility Use Agreement.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**2018 d.e. Mapping Ltd Maintenance Proposal**

10195      Resolution #10195      Moved By: Councillor Hammond

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to sign the Maintenance and Upkeep proposal presented by d.e. Mapping Ltd and to include the fee for service in the 2018 Budget.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**Special Council Meeting Request**

10196      Resolution #10196      Moved By: Deputy Mayor Jones

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve a Special Council meeting to be held on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers for a presentation from





2052900 Alberta Ltd on the Economic Development Initiative.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**COLA**

**10197**      Resolution #10197      Moved By: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the discussion on the Cost of Living Adjustment of 1.2% and the salary grid be postponed to the next regular scheduled Council meeting of December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**Christmas Bonus**

**10198**      Resolution #10198      Moved By: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve the request for the staff bonus in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for full time staff and One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for part time staff.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**Donation Request from the St Emile Parish Re: Use of Centralta Community Centre**

**10199**      Resolution #10199      Moved By: Councillor Hammond

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve the St Emile Parish's request to have access to the Centralta Community Centre for the Farewell Meal scheduled for Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 as one of the functions under the Facility Use Agreement.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**10200**      Resolution #10200      Moved By: Mayor Tremblay

**RESOLVED** that the meeting be adjourned at 10:19 P.M..

**CARRIED 5-0**

  
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Mayor

  
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Chief Administrative Officer

