Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Legal in the Province of Alberta held in Council Chambers, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, commencing at 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Jones, Deputy Mayor Tremblay, Councillor Beaton,

Councillor Hills, Councillor Malott

#### **ABSENT**:

**STAFF**:

Robert Proulx – Chief Administrative Officer Gizele St Jean – Manager of Corporate Services

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and acknowledged the traditional territories of the Indigenous peoples of the Treaty 6 region and the Métis Settlements and Métis Nation of Alberta, Regions 2, 3 and 4. We respect the histories, languages, and cultures of First Nations, Metis, Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada, whose presence continues to enrich our community.

#### ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

#### **ADDITION:**

Correspondence:

Invitation to Bruderheim Community Fall Festival

Invitation to Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board 15-

Year Anniversary Celebration

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

11846

Resolution #11846

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

**RESOLVED** that the Agenda for the August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, regular meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

#### **CARRIED 5-0**

#### **ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

11847

Resolution #11847

Moved by: Councillor Mallott

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes for the July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

#### **DELEGATIONS**

#### James MacDonald and Jenn Anheliger, Northern Lights Library System

Mayor Jones welcomed James MacDonald, Executive Director, and Jenn Anheliger, of the Northern Lights Library System (NLLS). A presentation on the NLLS was given using statistics and financials from the Elk Point Municipal Library as a model based on population which is similar in size to the Town of Legal.

The NLLS mission is to provide their members with access to training, tools, and resources that one would expect from a large municipal library while allowing members to enjoy the close-knit small community library and lifestyle. James and Jenn spoke on consulting services such as the policy and professional development.

There is an annual conference. They offer training and consultation on how to add materials to the library and how to keep the collection fresh. Libraries offer more than just books. NLLS's lending collection provides members with access to supplementary materials and resources such as books, DVD's, program resources, and emerging technology. Membership with NLLS covers the costs associated with

wireless internet, website administration, and fibre-optic network on Alberta's Supernet. The Supernet provides high-speed internet access with a stronger signal, greater reliability, and improved security. NLLS administers the Supernet on behalf of the members. They ensure the member library's connection to the shared catalogue and ILS (Polaris) is done on their secure network, protecting their patrons' data. Local internet could be used until the Town knows where they want to establish the library.

The executive meets the second Friday of every month. Board Schedule has four (4) meetings generally held the last Friday of February, May, August, and November. Legal would need to appoint someone to the NLLS Board should Legal decide to join.

Sturgeon County belongs to NLLS but has no library board. Where does the money come from? Library Board levy is \$5.31/citizen, Municipal Levy is \$5.31/citizen and Provincial Grants is \$4.70/citizen for a total cost of \$15.32 per citizen. Where does the money go to? Book allotment and cost of TRAC membership which shares access to the two of the three major online reading platforms. Can a library be housed through one of the schools in Legal? James shared it could be considered but due to limitations within a school system, there are barriers which can make it more difficult for a library but completely understandable from a school's perspective. Another location would be more optimal.

Mayor Jones thanked James and Jenn for the information and Council will continue the discussion on the future of a library and/or membership with the Northern Lights Library System.

#### **REPORTS**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Chief Administrative Officer report was submitted and will form part of the package.

#### **MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

Revenue and Expenditure report was submitted and forms part of the package. Information on the 2024 Edmonton Home and Garden Show and the Edmonton RV Show was provided as a possible Economic Development Initiative.

#### **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

#### **Mayor Jones**

No report

#### **Deputy Mayor Tremblay**

No report

#### **Councillor Beaton**

No report

#### **Councillor Hills**

No report

Councillor Hills will not be attending the 2023 Alberta Municipalities Conference. Councillor Malott will be the replacement for Councillor Hills.

#### **Councillor Malott**

Attended the Bon Accord Heritage Days Festival Parade on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Attended the Redwater Discovery Days Parade on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

11848 <u>Resolution #11848</u>

Moved by: Councillor Hills

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

**CARRIED 5-0** 

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards

Received as information.

### <u>Letter of Request, Re: Retirement of Master Warrant Officer Geoff S. F. Limbert, CD1</u>

Received as information.

#### Sturgeon County Bylaw Statistics, June 2023

Received as information.

#### **Sturgeon County Bylaw Statistics, July 2023**

Received as information.

# Letter from Municipal Affairs, Re: Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Capital and Operating Programs, and Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) Program

Received as information.

### Thank You Letter from Office of the Commander, 3rd Canadian Division Support Group

Received as information.

#### Invitation to Bruderheim Community Fall Festival

Received as information.

### <u>Invitation to Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board 15-Year Anniversary</u> Celebration

Mayor Jones will be attending.

**11849** Resolution #11849

Moved by: Councillor Beaton

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

**CARRIED 5-0** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## <u>Capital Region Emergency Preparedness Partnership (C-REPP) Mutual Assistance Agreement</u>

**11850** Resolution #11850

Moved by: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the Municipal Services Mutual Assistance Agreement Signature and Acknowledgement Form for the Capital Region Emergency Preparedness Partnership (C-REPP) Municipal Services Mutual Assistance Agreement.

#### **CARRIED 5-0**

Mayor Jones declared Pecuniary Interest and removed herself from Council Chambers at 8:56 P.M. Deputy Mayor Tremblay moved into the seat of the Chair.

Request from Mayor Jones, Re: Alberta Municipalities President or Director

Towns East and Vice President Towns

11851 <u>Resolution #11851</u>

Moved by: Councillor Beaton

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve and support Mayor Jones' nomination for Alberta Municipalities Board of Directors, either as President or Director, Towns East and Vice President, Towns.

#### **CARRIED 4-0**

Mayor Jones entered Council Chamber at 8:59 P.M. and moved back into the Chair position.

#### **Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

11852 <u>Resolution #11852</u>

Moved by: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal appoint Deputy Mayor Tremblay as the Town of Legal representative to sit on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee for the Morinville-St Albert Constituency.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

11853 Resolution #11853

Moved by: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the meeting be adjourned at 9:07 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

Chief Administrative Officer