Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Legal in the Province of Alberta held in Council Chambers, November 21st, 2022, commencing at 7:00 P.M.

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

Councillor Hills, Councillor Malott

ABSENT: Gizele St Jean – Manager of Corporate Services

STAFF: Robert Proulx – Chief Administrative Officer

Anna Keane – Finance Assistant

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

ADDITIONS:

NEW BUSINESS: St Emile Men of Service Donation Request, 2022 Christmas

Hampers

2023-2025 FCSS Funding Agreement

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

11613 Resolution #11613 Moved by: Councillor Hills

RESOLVED that the Agenda for the November 21st, 2022, regular meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

CARRIED 5-0

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

11614 Resolution #11614 Moved by: Councillor Beaton

RESOLVED that the Minutes for the November 7th, 2022, regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

DELEGATIONS

Animal Control Bylaw #12-2022, Dog Appeal (7:10 P.M.)

Sturgeon County Peace Officer Supervisor Matthew Roblin introduced themself and provided a summary of background complaints and injury details resulting in the designation of a Vicious Dog, which became effective November 1st, 2022, in the case of an English Mastiff/Great Dane cross dog, owned by the occupant residing at 5310 50th Street.

The appellant then presented Council with letters written by family and friends to support the claim that the animal is well behaved and trained. It was indicated that children are not afraid to play with the animal and feel safe, despite being nipped on occasion as the dog is still young. It was stated that the dog has recently been neutered. Council was made aware that while there had been a file opened in Westlock regarding one of the bites, it was deemed that the dog had been provoked and the file was closed. Measures have now been put in place to ensure that young children cannot open the door, thereby preventing the dog from accidentally getting out of the house. The appellant assured Council that the animal is tied up when out in the yard and has never attempted to escape. Friends of the appellant both stated

that in their experience, the animal in question is simply a giant lapdog and has never shown any aggression, even towards visiting dogs. In their experience, this animal is a gentle dog, large and playful, but by no means vicious.

Mayor Jones thanked the appellant for coming and that they will be contacted regarding the Council's decision in the appeal.

11615 Resolution #11615

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

RESOLVED that the Council Agenda item 6.1, Animal Control Bylaw #12-2022, Dog Appeal, be tabled for additional discussion under Closed Session as Council Agenda item 10.2, and that scheduled Council Agenda item 10.2 "Confidential Evaluations" be amended to Council Agenda item 10.3.

CARRIED 5-0

Sturgeon Victim Services, Elizabeth Melvin (7:40 P.M.)

Mayor Jones welcomed Elizabeth Melvin. Sturgeon Victim Services is seeking a Council delegate from Legal Town Council. Participation of Council on the Sturgeon Victim Services board would provide an opportunity for two-way communication and municipal interaction is greatly welcomed.

Elizabeth provided an update on upcoming changes with the province and is deeply concerned regarding the future of Sturgeon Victim Services. If the proposed changes occur, the non-profit society will be dissolved by the Province with remaining funds raised over the years donated to other nonprofit groups. The transition from society to government will be rolled out April 1st, 2024 with funding to Sturgeon Victim Services cut off effective March 31st, 2023.

Mayor Jones thanked Elizabeth and they will be informed once a decision has been reached.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Tremblay that the Sturgeon Victim Services request be postponed to the December 5th, 2022 Council meeting.

REPORTS

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Report was submitted and will form part of the Council package.

MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

No report.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Mayor Jones

No report.

Deputy Mayor Tremblay

No report.

Councillor Beaton

Laid Remembrance Day Service wreath for the Province. Attended the New Councillor Orientation in Bon Accord on November 17th, 2022.

Councillor Hills

No report.

Councillor Malott

No report.

11616

Resolution #11616

Moved by: Councillor Malott

RESOLVED that the reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

CORRESPONDENCE

RCMP Quarterly Community Policing Report

Received as information.

St. Albert Gazette Distribution

Received as information.

11617

Resolution #11617

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

RESOLVED that the correspondence be accepted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

Go East of Edmonton 2023 Edmonton Travel Guide and Annual Tourism Marketing Programs

11618

Resolution #11618

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

RESOLVED that the Town of Legal approve the Go East of Edmonton annual membership costs for 2023, the cost for advertising for a ½ page advertisement in the Go East of Edmonton Guide and, the participation fee for the Go East of Edmonton Road trip Game totaling two thousand two hundred dollars (\$2,200.00) plus applicable GST.

CARRIED 5-0

Staff/Christmas Bonus

11619

Resolution #11619

Moved by: Councillor Beaton

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 for 2022.

CARRIED 5-0

St Emile Men of Service Donation Request, 2022 Christmas Hampers

11620

Resolution #11620

Moved by: Councillor Malott

RESOLVED that the Town of Legal approve the St Emile Men of Service donation request in the amount of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for the 2022 Christmas Hampers.

CARRIED 5-0

2023-2025 FCSS Funding Agreement

11621

Resolution #11621

Moved by: Councillor Hills

RESOLVED that the Town of Legal authorize the Chief Administrative Officer provide sign-off of the 2023-2025 FCSS Funding Agreement.

CARRIED 5-0

CLOSED SESSION

Chief Administrative Officer and Finance Assistant remained in Chambers during the Closed Session.

11622 Resolution #11622

Moved by: Councillor Malott

RESOLVED that Council move into a "Closed Session" as per the Municipal Government Act (Section 1(3)(c) to discuss "Advice from Officials" as per the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act (Part 1, Division 2, Section 24) at 8:17 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

Resolution #11623

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

RESOLVED that Council return to regular session at 8:34 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

CLOSED SESSION

Chief Administrative Officer left Council Chambers at 8:36 P.M. Finance Assistant remained in Chambers during the Closed Session.

11624 <u>Resolution #11624</u>

Moved by: Councillor Beaton

RESOLVED that Council move into a "Closed Session" as per the Municipal Government Act (Section 1(3)(c) to discuss "Animal Control Bylaw #12-2022, Dog Appeal" as per the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act (Part 1, Division 2, Section 24) at 8:37 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

11625 <u>Resolution #11625</u>

Moved by: Councillor Hills

RESOLVED that Council return to regular session at 9:03 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

Chief Administrative Officer returned to Council Chambers at 9:04 P.M.

11626 Resolution #11626

Moved by: Councillor Malott

RESOLVED that Administration prepare a letter to the appellant that Council will uphold the Vicious Dog Designation decision as per Animal Control Bylaw #12-2022.

CARRIED 3-2

CLOSED SESSION

Finance Assistant left Council Chambers for the Closed Session at 9:12 P.M. Chief Administrative Officer remained in Chambers during the Closed Session.

11627 Resolution #11627

Moved by: Councillor Beaton

RESOLVED that Council move into a "Closed Session" as per the Municipal Government Act (Section 1(3)(c) to discuss "Confidential Evaluations" as per the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act (Part 1, Division 2, Section 19) at 9:13 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

11628 Resolution #11628

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

RESOLVED that Council return to regular session at 9:15 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

11629

Resolution #11629

Moved by: Councillor Hills

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:16 P.M.

CARRIED 5-0

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Chief Administrative Officer