

Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Legal in the Province of Alberta held in Council Chambers, March 20th, 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

ADDITIONS:

CORRESPONDENCE: In Person Town Halls – Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services and Minister of Justice

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

11730 Resolution #11730 Moved by: Councillor Malott

RESOLVED that the Agenda for the March 20th, 2023, regular meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

CARRIED 5-0

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

11731 Resolution #11731 Moved by: Councillor Hills

RESOLVED that the Minutes for the March 6th, 2023, regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

DELEGATIONS

Fire Chief Pat Mahoney and Supervisor Matthew Roblin, Sturgeon County Protective Services (7:00 P.M.)

Mayor Jones welcomed Fire Chief Pat Mahoney and Supervisor Matthew Roblin with Sturgeon County Protective Services to provide a quarterly update on Sturgeon County services within the Town of Legal. Supervisor Matthew Roblin provided an overview on the enforcement services. Updates provided staffing, enforcement on municipal bylaws within the Town and selected Provincial authorities in the seven (7) hours per week. Peace Officers work a varied shift schedule, and we have enforcement coverage seven (7) days a week. Supervisor Matthew Roblin provided a review of public engagements such as the Legal Bicycle Rodeo and Fete au Village parade, as well as community events. There were one hundred eleven (111) total citations reported and five hundred fifty (550) total incident types such as abandoned vehicles, dogs at large, dog bites, barking dogs, unlicensed dogs, grass and weed complaints, parking issues, school patrols, trailer complaints, unsightly properties and community standard related incidents.

Multiple officers are being seen in the community at the same time, therefore Deputy Mayor Tremblay questioned the reasoning as well as the billing of multiple

officers. Councillors Hills commended Sturgeon County Peace Officers with the visibility and presence in the community.

Fire Chief Pat Mahoney congratulated Councillor Beaton on the newly elected position. Fire Chief Mahoney provided information on the current staffing level which consisted of fifteen (15) fulltime staff, two (2) 3-person crews working seven (7) days a week/365 – out of Station 4, Namao and Station 5, Bon Accord. Station 3, Legal has a current roster at fifteen (15), two (2) new recruits in 2022 (On Level 1). In 2022 County wide there were one thousand six hundred seventy-nine (1,679) responses. Station 3 (Legal) had one hundred sixty-four (164) responses. Within Town boundaries there were sixty-six (66) responses which included, structure fire, alarms, medical related calls – assisting AHS, and a motor vehicle accident. Chute times for County halls is maintaining target of under ten (10) minutes, Station 3 (Legal) averaged in 2022 at 5.36 minutes. Fire Chief Mahoney indicated training remains a main focus on Level I and Level II. Training in 2022 consisted of electric vehicle, extrication training, Standard First Aid/Level C CPR/AED, and Workplace Harassment and Violence.

Mayor Jones thanked Fire Chief Mahoney and Supervisor Matthew Roblin for the updates.

Kendra Stasiuk, Accountant – Friesen Viney Stasiuk Chartered Professional Accountants (7:30 P.M.)

Mayor Jones welcomed Auditor, Kendra Stasiuk, from Friesen Viney Stasiuk Chartered Professional Accountants to present the 2022 Consolidated Financial Statements and the 2022 Municipal Financial Information Return.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2022-2025 Municipal Accountability Program Report

11732

Resolution #11732

Moved by: Councillor Hills

RESOLVED that Council approve the Municipal Accountability Program action plan as developed by administration and submission addressing the deficiencies to Municipal Affairs as required.

CARRIED 5-0

REPORTS

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association (ABMA) Grant – quotes were requested from sign manufactures for bilingual signage along 50 Avenue. Once the quotes are received, a request for funding will be submitted to ABMA for approval. The funding pool is expected to be approximately \$6,500.00.

Update to the Arena & Curling Rink Retrofit Project - received the Ice Plant lifecycle assessment from CIMCO. This assessment was completed at no cost. The report will be circulated to Associated Engineering and BR2 Architecture for review and to make recommendations as part of the retrofit project. A meeting was held at the office to review a couple of conceptual drawings.

FortisAlberta Grants – annually provides municipalities the opportunity to submit a request for funding. Administration is currently gathering information to submit for funding through a couple of streams available through the FortisAlberta grant program.

Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools (GSACRD) Land Purchase agreement for the Arena & Curling Rink Retrofit Project - Received a draft agreement that was completed by GSACRD and drafted by a solicitor. The agreement contains three parts: Land Purchase Agreement, License of Occupation, and Option to purchase. Review is almost complete, and comments will be sent to GSACRD .



Joint Use Planning Agreements (JUPA) - June 10th, 2023 is the deadline for completing the JUPA agreements. Conversations have commenced with GSACRD. Contact will be made with the other two school divisions to see if there are templates/agreements available for smaller municipalities similar to Legal. It is unknown at this time if the preference would be to achieve a tri-party or quadruplet agreement under one JUPA. It is likely more beneficial to have individual agreements with each school district as some districts have more to offer (amenities) than others.

Sturgeon Regional Partnership (SRP) meeting - Reminder to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor that there is an upcoming SRP meeting on March 27th, 2023 in Redwater. Topics of discussion: Review of terms of reference and Municipal Realities.

Sturgeon Regional Emergency Management Partnership (SREMP) Tabletop Exercise - a table top exercise is scheduled March 22nd and 23rd, 2023 at Sturgeon County Headquarters. Four from Legal will be in attendance.

Waste to Resources Energy Meeting - Attended the meeting held at Sturgeon County on March 16th, 2023. Meeting was very informative, and I gained a better understanding on different technologies being used to convert waste into useful energy.

Community Facility Enhancement Project (CFEP) - Both the President of Sturgeon Hockey Club (SHC) and I met virtually with a program advisor from CFEP to discuss opportunities for funding through the program. SHC would qualify to apply on behalf of the Town, similar to what was done with the Curling Club for the roof replacement . Applications for the Major Stream must be submitted by June 15th of this year. Funding up to \$1,000,000.00 is potentially available which must be matched.

MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

Revenue and Expenditures Report was submitted and formed part of the Council package.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Mayor Jones

Attended the Waste to Resource meeting on March 16th, 2023.

Deputy Mayor Tremblay

Attended the Waste to Resource meeting on March 16th, 2023.

Councillor Beaton

Attended the Waste to Resource meeting on March 16th, 2023.

Councillor Hills

Attended the Waste to Resource meeting on March 16th, 2023.

Councillor Malott

No report

11733

Resolution #11733

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Jones

RESOLVED that the reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

CORRESPONDENCE



Invitation to Business@Lunch with Premier Smith

Received as information.

Invitation to Go East Business & Community Digital Marketing Conference

Received as information.

Invitation to Great Canadian Trade Fair & Sale

Received as information.

Message from Alberta Ombudsman

Received as information.

Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament, Save the Date

Received as information.

Gibbons Charity Golf Classic, Save the Date

Received as information.

In-person Town Halls - Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services and Minister of Justice

Received as information.

11734

Resolution #11734

Moved by: Councillor Beaton

RESOLVED that the correspondence be accepted as presented.

CARRIED 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

Farm Safety Centre Support Request

11735

Resolution #11735

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

RESOLVED that the Town of Legal support the Farm Safety Centre in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for the 2022/2023 school year.

CARRIED 5-0

ACFA Facility Use Agreement

11736

Resolution #11736

Moved by: Councillor Hills

RESOLVED that the Town of Legal direct administration to prepare a letter to the Association Canadienne Francaise de l'Alberta (ACFA) régionale Centralta to acknowledge the termination date of the current Facility Use Agreement of December 31st, 2023, and that the Town of Legal is requesting that the Agreement be reviewed and dialogue with the ACFA commence for agreement negotiations.

CARRIED 5-0

Municipal Financial Information Return for the Year Ending December 31, 2022

11737

Resolution #11737

Moved by: Councillor Malott

RESOLVED that the Town of Legal accept the 2022 Municipal Financial Information Return for the year ending December 31st, 2022, as prepared by Friesen Viney Stasiuk Chartered Professional Accountants.

CARRIED 5-0

Consolidated Financial Statement, December 31, 2022



