

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2017, IN THE TOWN OF SUNDRE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS**

PRESENT Mayor Terry Leslie, Councillors: Verna McFadden, Paul Isaac, Chris Vardas, Myron Thompson, and Nolan Blatchford

ABSENT Councillor Cheri Funke

STAFF Angie Lucas, Interim, CAO (Director of Planning and Operational Services)
Vic Pirie, Director of Finance and Administration
Cynthia Robey, Legislative Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leslie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and during a moment of reflection, to remember all those who have been affected by the tragedy in Quebec City.

MODIFICATION TO OR ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- 24/17** Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council adopt the January 30, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Agenda, with the following additions/deletions/amendments:)
- Addition of one item of **Correspondence**: Red Deer Canada Games 2019 – 2019 Canada Winter Games Information Session Opportunity
 - Addition of one In-Camera item – Land

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 25/17** Councillor Isaac moved that the Town of Sundre Council adopt the January 16, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, as presented. **CARRIED**

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Former Councillor Tony Jordan, and Ms. Patricia Toone each addressed Council concerning the Town of Sundre doing a viability study. Topics discussed were:

- 1) The overall state infrastructure, buildings
- 2) Road building, twinning roads, etc. Reference given also to 12th Ave – 6A street area
- 3) Concern about what information is being shared on social media sites
- 4) Viability Study could be a useful tool
- 5) Growth strategies, can we sustain them?



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- 6) Concern about high taxes
- 7) Asked Council to be aware of funding models and projects going forward.
- 8) Can we service the community better by reining in the amount of money being spent, where the money is being spent, etc.
- 9) Examine partnerships that are established.

Councillor Thompson asked if Council would be supportive to allow the Notice of Motion to be addressed now in the agenda.

Administration directed that the Notice of Motion be moved in the Agenda to follow immediately after the **Finance** section.

PRESENTATIONS

FINANCE

Capital Project Report – December 31, 2016

Mayor Leslie commented that the highlight of this report indicates a commonality that most projects were completed under budget, a head of schedule, and due entirely to the diligent efforts of Staff. He impressed that this should be looked at as a celebration and the information be shared with everyone.

26/17 Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council accept the Capital Project Report – December 31, 2016, as information. **CARRIED**

Bank Reconciliation to December 31, 2016

Mayor Leslie asked Mr. Pirie, Director of Finance and Administration for more information concerning the 2016, 2017 and 2018 Reserves. Mr. Pirie shared this information with Council.

27/17 Councillor Blatchford moved that the Town of Sundre Council accept the Bank Reconciliation to December 31, 2016 report, as information. **CARRIED**

NOTICE OF MOTION

Member of Council, Councillor Thompson, brought forward the following Notice of Motion for decision at the January 30, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council:

Councillor Myron Thompson requests that the Town of Sundre Council pass a resolution to request a viability review be conducted on the Town of Sundre municipality as per Municipal Government Act Section 129, Division 7 Dissolution and that a written request for a viability review be submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs with a completed self-assessment questionnaire from the Municipal Affairs Municipal Sustainability Strategy (MSS).



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Councillor Thompson gave a brief summary of why he decided to submit this Notice of Motion, indicating that he never meant this to be a negative direction. Councillor Thompson then formally withdrew the Notice of Motion and asked if Council would consider discussing/working on this topic during a Council Workshop instead of pursuing a viability study through Municipal Affairs.

Council discussed their feedback concerning a discussion in this matter. Mayor Leslie asked Council for permission to discuss with Administration about putting this topic together for a Council Workshop.

Former Councillor Tony Jordan approached Council a second time, reiterating that he supports a viability study. He also mentioned that he was impressed with the budget information that Mr. Pirie shared during the Finance section, and that in his opinion, the information is not being circulated enough to Sundre residents.

Mayor Leslie called a recess at 7:18 p.m. Council Meeting resumed at 7:27 p.m.

Mrs. Bysterveld, a representative from the Historical Society approached Council to express concern about recent information she read in the newspaper on January 17, 2017. She discussed the Canada Day celebration venue arrangements.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

BYLAWS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Director of Planning and Operational Services – Administration Report

28/17 Councillor Vardas moved that the Town of Sundre Council accept the August – December 2016 Administrative Report from Planning and Development, Economic Development, Communications, Community Services, and Operational Services, as information. **CARRIED**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RDF Amended Terms of Reference for Policy and Bylaw Review Committee

29/17 Councillor Blatchford moved that the Town of Sundre Council approve the amended Terms of Reference for the Council Policy and Bylaw Review Committee. **CARRIED**





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NEW BUSINESS**RFD Strategic Priorities Chart**

- 30/17** Councillor Vardas moved that The Town of Sundre Council approve the 2017 Strategic Priorities Chart. **CARRIED**

MUNICIPAL AREA PARTNERSHIP (MAP)**COUNCIL REPORTS****Councillor Vardas – Verbal Report**

The back alley by the RPM needs to be policed better so that residents are aware that the alley is now a one way.

Councillor Isaac - Verbal Report

Spoke about Canada Day Celebration issues. He wishes that as many events as possible take place at the Museum.

Councillor McFadden – Verbal Report

Shared the highlights from the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission (MVRWMC) meeting held on January 17, 2017.

Mayor Leslie – Verbal Report

Spoke about the Broadband Workshop. Attendees of this meeting were from Olds, ONet, the Counties of Clearwater and Mountain View, as well as Rocky Mountain House, as a municipality.

Mayor Leslie spoke about the Red Deer River Municipal Users Group (RDRMUG) meeting highlights that covered the Red Deer Watershed and ideas to improve water quality within the areas we have control over.

Mayor Leslie indicated that he also had a conversation with Mr. Jason Nixon, MLA, regarding electoral boundaries. Mayor Leslie asked Council for permission to approach the MLA's office to discuss West County issues.

- 31/17** Councillor Isaac moved that the Town of Sundre Council accept all the verbal reports, as information. **CARRIED**

CORRESPONDENCE**Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors****Mayor Leslie – Reference Letter for Shunda Construction****Red Deer Canada Games 2019 – Information Session Opportunity**

- 32/17** Councillor Isaac moved that the Town of Sundre Council recognize that February 13, 2017, be Oil and Gas Awareness Day in Alberta. **CARRIED**




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- 33/17** Councillor McFadden moved that the Town of Sundre Council accept the letter from the Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors, the reference letter that Mayor Leslie wrote on behalf of Shunda Construction, and the Red Deer Canada Games Information Session Opportunity, as information. **CARRIED**

- 34/17** Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council move to go into In-Camera at 8:10 p.m. **CARRIED**

IN-CAMERA

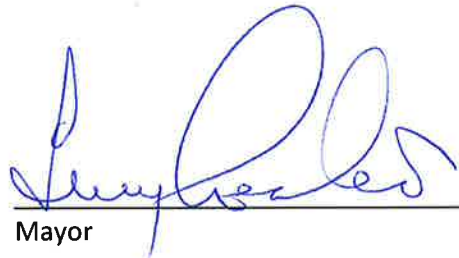
Land – FOIPP Section 16

- 35/17** Councillor Vardas moved that the Town of Sundre Council move to come out of In-Camera at 8:32 p.m. **CARRIED**

- 36/17** Mayor Leslie moved that the Town of Sundre Council approve the half day per diem request for Mayor Leslie to attend the CAEP Broadband Workshop. **CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT

- 37/17** Councillor Isaac moved that the Town of Sundre Council adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. **CARRIED**



Mayor

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.



Interim Chief Administrative Officer



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