



Town of Spirit River

Council Meeting
Council Chambers, Town Office
August 22, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Yaremko, Councillors Ezio, Meyer, Skoworodko, Stanich, Thomas, CAO Steve Jack, Administrative Assistant Karly MacDonnell, Superintendent of Public Works Brent Potter

VIRTUAL: Councillor Nicholson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Yaremko called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

22-225 Moved by Councillor Skoworodko to adopt the August 22, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda as presented. Carried.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Council Meeting – July 18, 2022

22-226 Moved by Councillor Stanich to approve the July 18, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Carried.

b. Special Meeting – August 9, 2022

22-227 Moved by Councillor Thomas to approve the August 9, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes as presented. Carried.

4. PRESENTATIONS

a. Jeff Biegel – SHARP Environmental

b. Leona Christian – Landscaping Issue

Council directed Administration to send Leona Christian a letter approving Public Works to correct the water drainage issue along her property; however, the remainder of the landscaping issues will be her responsibility.

5. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Superintendent Brent Potter updated Council on the overlay work being completed on 43 Avenue and on the airport lighting project. Future paving/overlay projects were also discussed. Brent explained concerns over the potholes at the entrance of 50st street; Blondin's Paving can repair in within the next couple of days if approved.

22-228 Moved by Councillor Ezio to approve contracting Blondin's Paving Ltd. to repair the post holes at the entrance of 50 Street at an approximate cost of \$10,000.00. Carried.

Superintendent of Public Works Brent Potter left the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Airport Lighting – Alberta Transportation Program Funding

Council directed Administration to provide an update on the project status and ensure the Town has a contract in place for the airport lighting installation and payment.

INITIAL: _____

- b. Spirit River Ag Society – Financial Review
- c. Spirit River Ag Society – Refrigeration Condenser
Councillor Skoworodko abstained from being involved in the discussion and voting as she is part of the Spirit River Ag Society Board.

22-229 Moved by Councillor Ezio to approve contributing \$5,200.00 to the Spirit River Ag Society for the replacement of the refrigeration condenser. Carried.

- d. Bylaw Enforcement Monthly Report
- e. Pool Update

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Tax Incentive Bylaw

22-230 Moved by Councillor Skoworodko to read Bylaw No. 987 being the 2022 Tax Incentive Bylaw for the first time. Carried.

22-231 Moved by Councillor Stanich to read Bylaw No. 987 for the second time. Carried.

22-232 Moved by Councillor Meyer that Bylaw No. 987 be considered for a third reading. Carried Unanimously.

22-233 Moved by Councillor Thomas to read Bylaw No. 987 for the third time. Carried.

- b. RFD – CPFA New Years’ Eve Gala

22-234 Moved by Councillor Ezio to approve donating the Centennial Hall and kitchen free of charge from December 30, 2022 to January 1, 2023 to the Central Peace Firefighter’s Association for their annual New Years’ Eve Gala on December 31, 2022; however, CPFA will be responsible for the janitorial costs. Carried.

- c. Grande Spirit Foundation
 - i. Revised Bylaw

22-235 Moved by Councillor Meyer to accept the Grande Spirit Foundation’s revised bylaw as presented. Carried.

- ii. Seniors Housing Funding

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Owen Payeur – Tax Deduction Appreciation
- b. Birch Hills County – Highway 2-49 Intersection Improvement
- c. Ukrainian Commemoration
Council directed Administration to display the Ukrainian flag in the Town Office until September 7.
- d. Orphan Well Association

9. FINANCIAL

- a. Bank Reconciliation – July 2022

22-236 Moved by Councillor Stanich to approve the July 2022 Bank Reconciliation as presented. Carried.

10. CAO AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. CAO REPORT

22-237 Moved by Councillor Thomas to approve the CAO report as presented. Carried.

22-238 Moved by Councillor Skoworodko to approve having Steve Jack and Karly MacDonnell apply for a Royal Bank Visa under the Town of Spirit River. Carried.
*Council directed Administration to send the Council agendas out on Thursday going forward.
Council directed Administration to reimburse the Deley family for the repair of the electric scooter wheels as a result of the tar/road maintenance activity.*

INITIAL: _____

11. IN CAMERA

a. CN Land – FOIP, Section 16

22-239 Moved by Councillor Ezio to move In-Camera as per Section 16 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act at 9:11 p.m. Carried.

22-240 Moved by Councillor Skoworodko to move out of In-Camera at 9:31 p.m. Carried.

12. COUNCIL DISCUSSION & QUESTIONS

13. NEXT MEETINGS:

a. September 6, 2022 (Tuesday)

b. September 19, 2022

14. ADJOURNMENT

22-241 Moved by Councillor Stanich to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m. Carried.

Mayor

CAO