TOWN OF CLARESHOLM

PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 22, 2021

Place: Electronic Only due to COVID-19 Pandemic
Livestream: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCe3OPyLhTzPajvPVAtNL1KA/live

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Doug MacPherson; Councillors: Kieth Carlson, Mike Cutler, Gaven Moore, Brad Schlossberger, Councillor Lise Schulze and Craig Zimmer

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Administrative Officer: Marian Carlson, Finance Assistant: Karine Keys

MEDIA PRESENT: None

NOTICE OF RECORDING: Mayor MacPherson provided notice that live streaming and recording of the Council meeting would begin immediately at 7:00 p.m. and that recording would continue until such time as the meeting goes In Camera and/or is adjourned.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor MacPherson.

AGENDA: Moved by Councillor Schlossberger for unanimous consent to add the following to the Agenda under Action Items:

23. IN CAMERA
c. Intergovernmental Relations – FOIP Section 21

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor Zimmer that the Agenda be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES: **REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 8, 2021**

Moved by Councillor Zimmer that the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2021 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **BYLAW #1721 – Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw**
   RE: 1st Reading

Moved by Councillor Schulze to give Bylaw #1721, the Municipal Emergency Management Bylaw, 1st Reading.

CARRIED

2. **NEWS RELEASE – Government of Alberta: Minister of Justice & Solicitor General**
   RE: Federal Firearms Legislation

Received for information.

3. **CORRES: Safe Roads Alberta**
   RE: Freeing up police and courts to make Alberta safer

Received for information.

4. **CORRES: Alberta Recreation and Parks Association**
   RE: Communities in Bloom Alberta Program & COVID Recovery

Received for information.

5. **CORRES: Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87**
   RE: Need for a Stronger Western Canadian Municipal Advocate

Received for information.

6. **CORRES: Alberta Police Interim Advisory Board**
   RE: February 2021 Quarterly Report

Received for information.

7. **CORRES: Alberta SouthWest Regional Alliance**
   RE: Help AlbertaSW win the Green Destination's People's Choice Award

Received for information.

8. **CORRES: Farm Safety Centre**
   RE: Update

MOTION #21-020 Moved by Councillor Cutler to support the Farm Safety Centre's delivery of the Safety Smarts program to children in Claresholm schools in the amount of $300.

CARRIED

9. **CORRES: Rowan House Society**
   RE: Official Opening of Safe at Home Facility

Received for information.

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10. CORRES: Naomi Bullock – Homeschoolers
RE: Request for Alternate Location

MOTION #21-021 Moved by Councillor Carlson to allow Home Schoolers in our community to use the day care space of the Town Office until the end of the school year or until such time as the building is not usable or until other alternative solutions can be found, for free of charge for their home schooling purposes.

CARRIED

11. REQUEST FOR DECISION: Steering Committee for Emergency Management

MOTION #21-022 Moved by Councillor Schlossberger to appoint Mayor Doug MacPherson as the primary member of the Steering Committee with Councillor Craig Zimmer as the alternate to the Emergency Preparedness Regional Training Exercise Steering Committee.

CARRIED

12. REQUEST FOR DECISION: Kidz Zone Residing

MOTION #21-023 Moved by Councillor Schlossberger to approve the out of budget expenditure for the re-siding of the Kidz Zone building in the amount of $42,250 with $10,000 to be funded by a Community Foundations Grant and the remaining funding coming from General Capital Reserves.

CARRIED

13. REQUEST FOR DECISION: Letter of Support – Claresholm Skatepark Association

MOTION #21-024 Moved by Councillor Zimmer to write a letter of support towards the Claresholm Skatepark Association's application to the Co-op Community Spaces Grant for the purpose of constructing the skatepark at 111 - 55 Avenue West (site of the new multi-use facility in which the Town has allocated land for the Skatepark construction).

CARRIED

14. REQUEST FOR DECISION: Welcoming Claresholm Logo & Website

MOTION #21-025 Moved by Councillor Carlson to approve the domain hosting fees for the Welcoming Claresholm website, monies not to exceed $500 and to come from the Economic Development Budget.

CARRIED

MOTION #21-026 Moved by Councillor Cutler to endorse the use of the new Welcoming Claresholm logo.

CARRIED

15. REQUEST FOR DECISION: Use of Town Logo

MOTION #21-027 Moved by Councillor Schlossberger to approve the use of the Town Logo by Norquest College, Lethbridge College, and the University of Lethbridge for the purpose of promoting practicum and CO-OP student work placements, as well as attracting recent graduates to live and work in Claresholm and surrounding area.

CARRIED

16. REQUEST FOR DIRECTION: Public Art Policy Direction

MOTION #21-028 Moved by Councillor Cutler to adopt Policy 5.7.25 – Public Art Policy, effective February 22, 2021.

CARRIED

MOTION #21-029 Moved by Councillor Schulze to permit an Artists Corner in the lobby within the Multi-use Community Building & Town Hall, for art temporarily loaned to the Town for display.

CARRIED

Administration noted that there was an error in Motion #21-023. Council went back to Action Item #12 regarding Kidz Zone Residing.

MOTION #21-030 Moved by Councillor Moore to rescind Motion #21-023.

CARRIED

MOTION #21-031 Moved by Councillor Schlossberger to approve the out of budget expenditure for the re-siding of the Kidz Zone building in the amount of $52,250 with $10,000 to be funded by a Community Foundations Grant and the remaining funding coming from General Capital Reserves.

CARRIED

17. REQUEST FOR DIRECTION: Community Offices, Room Rentals

Received for information.

18. FINANCIAL REPORT: Statement of Operations – January 31, 2021

Moved by Councillor Zimmer to accept the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the month ended January 31, 2021 as presented.

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19. INFORMATION BRIEF: Claresholm Aquatic Centre Re-opening

Received for information.

20. INFORMATION BRIEF: CAO Report

Received for information.

21. INFORMATION BRIEF: Council Resolution Status

Received for information.

22. ADOPTION OF INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Cutler to adopt the information items as presented.

CARRIED

23. IN CAMERA

a. LAND – FOIP Section 16.1
b. LAND – FOIP Section 16.1
c. Intergovernmental Relations – FOIP Section 21

Moved by Councillor Zimmer to go In Camera at 8:36 p.m. for the following items:

a. LAND – FOIP Section 16.1
b. LAND – FOIP Section 16.1
c. Intergovernmental Relations – FOIP Section 21

NOTICE OF RECORDING CEASED: Mayor MacPherson stated that the live stream has ended at 8:36 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Zimmer to come out of In Camera at 9:25 p.m.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF RECORDING: Mayor MacPherson provided notice that live streaming and recording of the Council meeting would begin again at 9:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Councillor Carlson that the meeting adjourn at 9:26 p.m.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF RECORDING CEASED: Mayor MacPherson noted that recording ceased at 9:26 p.m.

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Mayor – Doug MacPherson Chief Administrative Officer – Marian Carlson

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