

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Wembley, in the Province of Alberta,
held in the Wembley Municipal Office
this 24th day of May 2022.**

1. CALL-TO-ORDER

Present: Mayor Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
CAO Noreen Zhang
Councillor Ketchum
Councillor Skinner
Councillor Baker
Councillor McCallum

Regrets: Councillor Johnson
Councillor Underwood

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION #2022-0145

Moved by Councillor Ketchum Council approve the agenda with the addition of Item 11.2 Road Equipment - Request for Direction, under New Business.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held on May 9, 2022.

MOTION #2022-0146

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 9, 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS

5. FINANCE

5.1 Revenue & Expense and Monthly Statement for the Month of April 2022

MOTION #2022-0147

Moved by Councillor McCallum Council accept the Revenue & Expense and Monthly Statement for the month of April 2022 for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. PUBLIC HEARING

7. BYLAWS

8. POLICIES

Initials

9. CAO REPORT

9.1 Tax Notices and Budget Information

- Administration successfully completed tax notice mail out and budget information inserts that is geared towards informing rate payers on municipal tax breakdown.

9.2 Road Repairs

- Town Public Works and local contractors have completed some of the road repairs in different areas of town with more to be completed as long as the weather cooperates.

9.3 Meetings/Training Attended

- May 12, 2022 – Canadian Association of Government Finance Officers Networking Group (virtual)
- May 17, 2022 – Local Government Fiscal Framework Virtual Engagement

MOTION #2022-0148

Moved by Councillor Baker Council accept the CAO report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Discussion Items for Next Council Committee of the Whole

No items for discussion were presented for the next June 1st CCW and therefore cancelled.

11.2 Road Equipment - Request for Direction

Administration is requesting direction from Council regarding the purchase of road and Town asset maintenance equipment. Administration is recommending Council approve the use of the current MSI grant funding, up to the 2023 allocation, to ensure timely purchase of the equipment required.

MOTION #2022-0149

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council approve the use of the current Municipal Sustainability Initiative grant funding, up to the 2023 allocations, to purchase road and town asset maintenance equipment which is estimated at \$550,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION #2022-0150

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council direct Administration contact Aquatera regarding staging equipment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. REPORTS

12.1 Audit Committee

12.2 Community Futures

12.3 Community and Protective Services Committee

12.4 FCSS Advisory Board

12.5 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership

12.6 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership Committee

12.7 Grande Prairie Regional Tourism

12.8 Grande Spirit Foundation

12.9 HR Committee

12.10 Healthy Communities Committee

12.11 Helen E. Taylor Advisory School Council

Initials

- 12.12 ICF & IDP Steering Committee
- 12.13 Joint Grande Prairie Area Recreation Committee
- 12.14 Parks and Recreation
- 12.15 Peace Airshed Zone Association (PAZA)
- 12.16 Peace Library System Board
- 12.17 West Grande Prairie County Regional Landfill
- 12.18 South Peace Physician Attraction & Retention Committee
- 12.19 Wapiti Area Synergy Group (WASP)
- 12.20 Wembley and District Agricultural Society
- 12.21 Wembley-Dimsdale-Saskatoon Lake Recreation Board
- 12.22 Wembley Elementary School
- 12.23 Wembley Public Library
- 12.24 911 and Emergency Services
- 12.25 Bylaw Enforcement Services
- 12.26 Beaverlodge RCMP Detachment

13. CORRESPONDENCE

- 13.1 Village of Coutts -Alberta Utilities Commission Letter
- 13.2 Town of Coaldale – Utilities Commission Support Letter

MOTION #2022-0151

Moved by Councillor McCallum Council direct Administration write a letter to the Alberta Utilities Commission in support of the Village of Coutts and the Town of Coaldale’s concerns regarding rising utility costs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 13.3 Town of Mayerthorpe – Rumble Alberta 2022 – Letter of Support

MOTION #2022-0152

Moved by Councillor Ketchum Council direct Administration to write a letter of support for the Rumble Alberta 2022 event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 13.4 Town of Mundare – Policing Letter
- 13.5 National Police Federation – Your Police, Your Future – Listening to Albertans

MOTION #2022-0153

Moved by Councillor Baker Council accept the correspondence as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councillor Baker

- Missed WASP meeting.

Councillor McCallum

- Missed Community Futures meeting.

Councillor Skinner

- Attended WASP meeting.

Councillor Ketchum

- Informed Council that there will be a Library meeting on May 31, 2022 and approval will be given to upgrade the Library.

Mayor Peterson

Initials

- Was not able to attend the Ag. Society's meeting due to another commitment.

15. ROUND TABLE

Councillor McCallum

- Having issues with recruiting people for Citizens on Patrol. Looking at other options such as County Enforcement Initiatives or maybe a security company to assist in enforcement concerns. Mayor Peterson suggested asking the RCMP to patrol more at night.

MOTION #2022-0154

Moved by Councillor McCallum Council direct Administration to bring back information on the expense of maintaining the Town's Enforcement Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION #2022-0155

Moved by Councillor McCallum Council direct Administration to research the expense of hiring after-hours security for the Town of Wembley.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Skinner

- Feedback has been great about the lowered speed limit.
- Spent the morning helping out at the Silver & Gold Club's work bee cleaning up the facility. Also assisted with cleaning-up the bus.
- Dates for the Silver & Gold Casino have been approved – November 25 – November 26, 2022 and volunteers are needed for this event.

Councillor Baker

- Will be attending the Water North Coalition meeting on May 28, 2022.

Councillor Ketchum

- Nothing to report.

CAO Zhang

- Nothing to report.

Mayor Peterson

- Suggested sending a letter to Premier Kenney thanking him for his service.

MOTION #2022-0156

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council direct Administration send letter of appreciation to Premier Kenney thanking him for his service as premier.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. CLOSED SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #2022-0157

MOVED by Councillor Baker Council adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(SIGNED)

Mayor – Kelly Peterson

(SIGNED)

CAO – Noreen Zhang