**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**of the Town of Wembley, in the Province of Alberta**

**held in the Wembley Municipal Office**

**this 19th day of March 2018.**

1. CALL-TO-ORDER: DeputyMayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Councillor Gundersen

Councillor McCallum

Councillor Underwood

CAO Lori Parker

Administrative Assistant Tanya Skinner

Regrets:

Mayor Turnmire

Councillor McDonald

1. DELEGATION

2.1 City of Grande Prairie – Mayor Bill Given.

An open discussion was held regarding a revenue sharing agreement between the Town of Wembley and the City of Grande Prairie.

Mayor Given advised:

* Mayor Given explained that when the City of Grande Prairie entered into the agreement with Aquatera to hand over care and control of water and sewer infrastructure, the question was raised how does the City support and benefit from the growth and development of the region.
* The Town of Sexsmith entered into a Revenue Sharing Agreement with the City in June 2004. In the agreement three percent (3%) of all new municipal taxes for residential developments and eight percent (8%) of all municipal taxes collect from new non-residential developments commenced in the Town after the effective date of the agreement are paid to the City.
* The County of Grande Prairie No. 1’s entered into a Revenue Sharing Agreement in January 2003. The agreement does not include residential development but does include ten percent (10%) of all municipal taxes with respect to new non-residential developments.
* Mayor Given explained that the current agreement is a lifetime agreement so long as the municipality is a shareholder in Aquatera however, with development of the Intermunicipal Collaboration Frameworks there may be a need to review and change the Revenue Sharing Agreement.
* There has been unanimous approval from the Aquatera Shareholders for the Town of Wembley to become a shareholder. The Council of the City of Grande Prairie supports the Town of Wembley becoming a shareholder.
* Mayor Given clarified that the current percentages are not negotiable at this time in fairness to other existing Shareholders.
* Mayor Given advised that the Revenue Sharing is only on new growth within the Town of Wembley that occurs after the hook up of Aquatera service.
* CAO Parker asked if the City of Grande Prairie was in support of Aquatera funding the remaining portion of the Regional Waterline that was not covered under grant funding, on behalf of the Town of Wembley so that Wembley would not have to debenture in order to proceed with the project and Mayor Given verified that the City of Grande Prairie supports that option.

Mayor Given left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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 INITIALS

Discussion was held regarding the information provided by Mayor Given.

1. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION #2018- 0064**

Moved by Councilor McCallum that the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Deputy Mayor – Tyrel Johnson CAO – Lori Parker