

**MINUTES OF THE ELECTRONIC REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Whitecourt**
held on Monday, October 25, 2021 at the Town Office Large Boardroom

Present: Mayor Pickard; Deputy Mayor Schlosser; Councillors Baker, Chauvet, Lapointe, Lanctot, and McAree; Chief Administrative Officer Smyl; and Recording Secretary Gallant.

Call to Order & Mayor's Address: The meeting was called to order at 4:07pm; Mayor Pickard presiding.

Adoption of Agenda: 21-366 Moved by Deputy Mayor Schlosser

That the Agenda be adopted as presented.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Minutes from the October 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council: 21-367 Moved by Councillor Chauvet
That the Minutes from the October 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Public Input Session: There was no one from the public who wished to address Council.

Visitors and Delegations: i. West Central Air Shed Society;

Dan Moore, a Director of West Central Air Shed Society (WCASS) noted that the Society and Alberta Environment had identified a gap in their monitoring stations, and would like to have Whitecourt included. While there are some monitoring stations in Whitecourt, they provide limited data and the Society proposed that a complete station that would produce data capable of calculating the Air Quality Health Index be constructed in Whitecourt.

Council discussed the requirements needed for placement of a monitoring station with the Society members.

21-368 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Council accept the presentation from the West Central Air Shed Society as information.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

21-369 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council recognize Dan Moore, Gary Redmond and Rob Chrobak of the West Central Air Shed Society.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Business Arising from Visitors and Delegations: i. West Central Air Shed Society;

21-370 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council direct Administration to work with the West Central Air Shed Society to find an appropriate location for an air monitoring station.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2021 Family
Violence Prevention
Month:

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that there are a number of scheduled events for the Family Violence Prevention Month and introduced the Director of Community Services to provide further information. The Director noted that throughout the pandemic, there has been a large increase in the number of family violence incidents, and highlighted activities and events planned, either to bring awareness or to provide education to the community.

21-371 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That Council accept the 2021 Family Violence Prevention Events as information, authorize members to participate in the scheduled events throughout the month, bring greetings on behalf of the Town of Whitecourt to participants attending the Breakfast with the Guys events; and to recognize November as Family Violence Prevention Month as per Policy 11-008 – Salutes of Special Days/Weeks/Events and/or Proclamations.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2020 Municipal
Indicators:

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that Alberta Municipal Affairs annually distributes indicators for municipalities and introduced the Director of Corporate Services to review the benchmarks. The Director explained the indicators used by Municipal Affairs.

21-372 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Council accept the 2020 Municipal Indicators as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2021 Municipal
Election Results:

The Chief Administrative Officer brought forth the results of the 2021 Municipal Elections.

21-373 Moved by Councillor Lanctot

That Council accept the 2021 Municipal Election Results as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Reports:

Mayor Pickard reviewed the process for Councillor Reports for the new Councillors.

All Councillors and the Mayor attended the Council Orientation Session and Swearing In Ceremony.

Councillor Chauvet attended a Whitecourt Regional Solid Waste Management Authority meeting, along with the Council Orientation Sessions.

Mayor Pickard attended a Whitecourt Regional Solid Waste Management Authority meeting, Municipal Planning Commission, and Eagle Tower Victim Services Meeting.

21-374 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council accept the Councillor Reports as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Items of Information:

21-375 Moved by Deputy Mayor Schlosser

That the following be accepted as information:

- a. Town Accounts – Cheques 76559 – 76699;
- b. September 29, 2021 Letter from Alberta Transportation re ICIP Funding - Ice Plant Replacement;
- c. October 8, 2021 Thank you from Communities in Bloom Judges;
- d. October 14, 2021 Letter to Alberta Transportation re Failing Retaining Wall on Highway 43;
- e. October 15, 2021 Letter to Mary Bauer re 47 Street/55 Avenue Traffic Study;
- f. October 18, 2021 Press Release re Unofficial Municipal Election Results;
- g. October 18, 2021 Media Release re 2021 Municipal Election Unofficial Results;
- h. October 22, 2021 Press Release re Official Municipal Election Results;
- i. October 22, 2021 Media Release re Woodlands County Releases Official Election Results; and
- j. Council Calendar.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council Committee Appointments:

21-376 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Council Committee Appointments be deferred to Closed Meeting per Section 17 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Intermunicipal Agreements:

21-377 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Intermunicipal Agreements be deferred to Closed Meeting per Section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Closed Meeting:

21-378 Moved by Deputy Mayor Schlosser

That Council go to Closed Meeting to discuss Intermunicipal Agreements per Section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. Time: 5:04pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21-379 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council revert to the Regular Meeting. Time: 6:12pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council Committee Appointments:

21-380 Moved by Councillor Baker

That Council approve the Council Committee public appointments, as attached to and forming part of these minutes and direct Administration to readvertise for any remaining vacant positions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Intermunicipal Agreements:

21-380 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That Council accept Intermunicipal Agreements as information.


- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment:

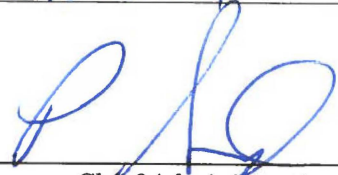
21-381 Moved by Councillor McAree

That the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned. Time: 6:14pm

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer

2021 Council Committee Appointments

Committee/Board	Name	Term Expiry
Community Services Advisory Board	Brigette Moore	October 2022
	Ashley Rose	October 2024
	Stacey White	October 2024
Economic Development Committee	Williard Strebchuk	October 2024
	Leo Zelinski	October 2023
Municipal Planning Commission	Shari Greenlee	October 2024
	Glen Kingdon (Alternate)	October 2023
Protective Services Committee	Raelene Day	October 2024
Subdivision and Development Appeal Board	Jennifer Keay	October 2024
Whitecourt Library Board	Faye Myshyniuk	October 2024
Whitecourt Tourism Committee	Mike Minderlein	October 2024
	Neil Shewchuk (Performing Arts Rep)	October 2022
Whitecourt FireSmart Working Group	Mike Hudson	No Expiry
	Mike Milner	No Expiry
Ad-Hoc Building Committee	Brigette Moore	No Expiry
Youth Advisory Committee	Madeline Blain	October 2022
	Lucas Boudreau	October 2022
	Beckett Holloway	October 2022
	Kahlen Johnson	October 2022
	Carly Lai	October 2022
	Kevin Lai	October 2022
	Josiah Moore	October 2022
	James Prodaniuk	October 2022