

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Whitecourt**
held on Monday, September 26, 2022 at the Forest Interpretive Centre

Present:	Deputy Mayor Chauvet; Councillors Baker, Lanctot, Lapointe, McAree, and Schlosser; Chief Administrative Officer Smyl; and Recording Secretary Grimstad-Davidson.
Absent:	Mayor Pickard.
Call to Order & Mayor's Address:	The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm; Deputy Mayor Chauvet presiding.
Adoption of Agenda:	<u>22-291 Moved by Councillor Schlosser</u> That the Agenda be adopted as amended by removing Item 17 – Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework. - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Minutes from the September 12, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council:	<u>22-292 Moved by Councillor Baker</u> That the Minutes from the September 12, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented. - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Public Input Session:	There were no members of the public wishing to make a presentation.
2023 Budget Public Input Session:	There were no members of the public wishing to make a presentation.
Riverboat Park Erosion Mitigation:	The Chief Administrative Officer advised that erosion at Riverboat Park requires preventive measures to protect the Park and other lands downstream, and introduced the Director of Community Services to provide further information. Grant funding is being sought and quotes have been received for placement of rock to protect the bank. <u>22-293 Moved by Councillor Schlosser</u> That Council award the contract to Roszko Construction to transport and place rock at Riverboat Park for the sum of \$105,580 plus GST, and approve a budget of \$143,000 for 2022, with \$112,398 coming from the Road Infrastructure Reserve. - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Sportfield Development:	The Chief Administrative Officer noted that further to a meeting with the Living Waters School Board, it was proposed that a sportfield be developed to address an area of standing water at École St. Joseph School. <u>22-294 Moved by Councillor Lapointe</u> That Council approve \$54,234 coming from the Special Projects Reserve for the development of a sportfield on the lands next to École St. Joseph School. - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Roadway/Parking/Rough Grade Project Update:	The Chief Administrative Officer introduced the Director of Community Services to provide information on the 50 Street extension into Rotary Park. The Director noted that the work will involve intermittent pathway closures, with a pause during the

winter months, and completion of the project in Spring 2023. Site preparation was awarded to Kichton in partnership with Jason Thomas Enterprises.

22-295 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council accept the Roadway/Parking/Parcel Rough Grade Project Update as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Scott Safety Centre
Dehumidifier
Replacement:

The Chief Administrative Officer introduced the Director of Community Services to provide information on the replacement of the dehumidifier for the Scott Safety Centre.

22-296 Moved by Councillor Lanctot

That Council award the Dehumidifier Replacement to ALDECO Mechanical for \$124,698 plus GST.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Skate Jam '22
Event:

The Chief Administrative Officer introduced the Director of Community Services to give details on the Skate Jam taking place at the Skate Park on October 1.

22-297 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council accept the Skate Jam '22 Event as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Land Use Bylaw
1506-11:

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that Bylaw 1506-11 to Rezone Lot G, Plan 1584 from C-3 to M-1 was brought forward following a Public Hearing in August. Councillor McAree abstained from voting as he was not present for the Public Hearing.

22-298 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That Bylaw 1506-11 be given first reading.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

22-299 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Bylaw 1506-11 be given second reading.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

22-300 Moved by Councillor Lanctot

That Council proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 1506-11.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

22-301 Moved by Councillor Baker

That Bylaw 1506-11 be given third and final reading.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Alberta
Municipalities/
FCM Resolutions:

The Chief Administrative Officer noted that submission dates were presented to Council in the event there were any Alberta Municipalities or FCM resolutions they would like brought forward.

22-302 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That Council accept Alberta Municipalities/ FCM Resolutions as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Request for Street Closure – Trunk or Treat:

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Chamber of Commerce was requesting a street closure to accommodate the annual Trunk or Treat Event on October 30. It was noted that the item was also being forwarded to Whitecourt Tourism for potential participation.

22-303 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Council approve the request from the Whitecourt and District Chamber of Commerce for the closure of 49 Street from 52 to 50 Avenues; and 51 Avenue from 50 Street, east to 49 Street; from 9am – 4pm on October 30, 2022 for the Trunk or Treat event, subject to the conditions of Policy 31-005; and that a member of Council be authorized to attend the event.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Whitecourt Fire Department Awards Night:

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Fire Department was inviting Council members to its annual Fire Department Awards Night on October 15.

22-304 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council Members be authorized to attend the Whitecourt Fire Department Awards Night on October 15, 2022.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Reports:

Councillor Lanctot attended the Policies and Priorities Committee meeting, Economic Development Committee Strategic Planning Session, and the Alberta Municipalities Convention, along with the Public Engagement pre-session offered at the convention.

Councillor Schlosser attended the Alberta Municipalities Convention and a National Coaches Appreciation Week presentation.

Councillor Lapointe attended the Alberta Municipalities Convention, along with the Public Engagement pre-convention session, and a Community Futures Yellowhead East meeting.

Councillor McAree attended the Alberta Municipalities Convention.

Councillor Baker attended the Policies and Priorities Committee meeting, the Alberta Municipalities Convention, along with the Public Engagement pre-convention session. She also attended a meeting for Eagle Tower Victim Services and worked at the Aaron Goodvin concert as part of the Performing Arts Society.

Deputy Mayor Chauvet also attended the Policies and Priorities Committee meeting, and the Alberta Municipalities Convention, along with the legal pre-convention session. Additionally, the Deputy Mayor attended a Golden Triangle Trail Partnership Committee meeting, the Economic Development Committee Strategic Planning Session, and a Community Crosswalk Grant Program cheque presentation at Central School.

22-305 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That Council accept the Councillor Reports as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Items of Information:

22-306 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That the following be accepted as information:

- a) Town Accounts – Cheques 80650 – 800805;
- b) September 15, 2022 Letter to Royal Canadian Legion Branch #44 Re: Request to use Allan & Jean Millar Centre for Remembrance Day Ceremony
- c) September 20, 2022 Letter to Minister of Justice and Solicitor General Re: Provincial support of the Underwater Search Team;
- d) 2022 Strategic Plan – Priorities Chart update as of September 2022;
- e) Town of Whitecourt 2022 Press Releases:
 - a. September 14 – Whitecourt Town Council Update;
- f) Woodlands County 2022 Media Releases and Public Notices:
 - a. September 16 - County Council Recap – September 14, 2022;
 - b. September 16 – Media Release – Berry Nice Spray Park Closes for the Season;
- g) Mayor’s Calendar; and
- h) Council Calendar.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment:

22-307 Moved by Councillor McAree

That the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned. Time: 4:43pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer