

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL  
of the Town of Whitecourt**  
held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at the Forest Interpretive Centre

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

**Call to Order & Mayor's Address:** The meeting was called to order at 4:02pm. Mayor Pickard presiding.

**2023 Interim Budget:** The Chief Administrative Officer reported that the proposed 2023 Interim Budget was valued at \$49,718,545, and would require a 6.49% increase. He introduced the Director of Corporate Services to provide an overview of the budget.

The Director of Corporate Services provided a brief summary of the 2023 Interim Budget, and it was noted that Directors were present to discuss budgets for each of their departments.

Council reviewed details of the proposed 2023 Interim Budget.

The meeting recessed. Time: 5:07pm

The meeting reconvened. Time: 5:13pm

The meeting recessed. Time: 6:05pm

The meeting reconvened. Time: 6:30pm

**2023 Interim Budget (Closed Meeting):**

22-404 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That the Special Meeting of Council go into Closed Meeting for the 2023 Interim Budget per Sections 16, 17, 21 and 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. Time: 8:06pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

22-405 Moved by Councillor Baker

That Council revert to the Special Meeting. Time: 8:32pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**As amended by Motion 22-410, December 19, 2022**

22-406 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Council defer ~~approval of~~ the 2023 Interim Budget to the December 19, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.


- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment:

22-407 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That the Special Meeting of Council be adjourned. Time: 8:34pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

  
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Mayor

  
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Chief Administrative Officer