

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Whitecourt**
held on Monday, January 23, 2023 at the Forest Interpretive Centre

Present:	Mayor Pickard; Councillors Baker, Chauvet, Lanctot, Lapointe, and Schlosser; Acting Chief Administrative Officer Loberg; and Recording Secretary Grimstad-Davidson.
Absent:	Deputy Mayor McAree.
Call to Order & Mayor's Address:	The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm; Mayor Pickard presiding.
Adoption of Agenda:	<p><u>23-016 Moved by Councillor Chauvet</u></p> <p>That the Agenda be adopted as amended by adding CAO Performance Appraisal (Closed Item), pursuant to Section 19 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act; as Item 11(i).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Minutes from the January 9, 2023 Regular Meeting:	<p><u>23-017 Moved by Councillor Schlosser</u></p> <p>That the Minutes from the January 9, 2023 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Public Input Session:	There were no members of the public wishing to make a presentation.
Municipal Enforcement 2022 Annual Report:	<p>The Acting Chief Administrative Officer introduced the Director of Community Safety. The Director advised that Municipal Enforcement completes an annual report each year to highlight enforcement activities and for submission to the Alberta Solicitor General; and introduced the Community Peace Officer and Bylaw Officer to answer any questions that Council might have. The Community Peace Officer clarified the procedure for snow removal ticketing.</p> <p><u>23-018 Moved by Councillor Lapointe</u></p> <p>That Council accept the Municipal Enforcement 2022 Annual Report as information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Policy 23-013 Peace Officer Program Known Risks and Policy 23-014 Municipal Enforcement Program Personal Safety Communication:	<p>The Acting Chief Administrative Officer introduced the Director of Community Safety, who noted that the proposed policy amendments meet the requirements of the Solicitor General.</p> <p><u>23-019 Moved by Councillor Lanctot</u></p> <p>That Council accept the recommendation from the Policies and Priorities Committee and adopt Policy 23-013 Peace Officer Program Known Risks and Policy 23-014 Municipal Enforcement Program Personal Safety Communication, as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Inclusive Fitness Programming:	The Acting Chief Administrative Officer introduced the Director of Community Services to provide further information on fitness programs offered at the Allan & Jean Millar Centre. The Director advised that information on funding support programs are distributed through various community programs and advertised in the Community Spectrum.

23-020 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That Council accept Inclusive Fitness Programming as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Bylaw 1551-8 – Fees, Rates and Charges:

The Acting Chief Administrative Officer noted that further to review at the Policies and Priorities Committee, Bylaw 1551-8 was being brought forward to update rental rates at Town recreation facilities.

23-021 Moved by Councillor Baker

That Bylaw 1551-8 be given first reading.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23-022 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Bylaw 1551-8 be given second reading.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23-023 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That Council proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 1551-8.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23-024 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That Bylaw 1551-8 be given third and final reading.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Manor – Seniors Housing & Hospice Tour:

The Acting Chief Administrative Officer noted that a tour of the new seniors housing development was arranged for Woodlands County and Whitecourt Councils on January 27.

23-025 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That Council be authorized to attend The Manor site tour on January 27, 2023 at 1pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Reports:

Councillor Lanctot attended meetings for the Economic Development Committee, Municipal Planning Commission and Protective Services Committee.

Councillor Schlosser attended the Council Planning Session, and meetings for the Economic Development Committee and Municipal Planning Commission.

Councillor Lapointe attended the Council Planning Session, the Policies and Priorities Committee, a training for the Library Board and a Library Board meeting.

Councillor Chauvet attended the Economic Development Committee and a meeting for Golden Triangle Trail Partnership Committee.

Councillor Baker attended a Performing Arts Society meeting, and a Communities in Bloom meeting.

Mayor Pickard met with local stakeholders to discuss the provision of health services in the community.

Items of Information:

23-026 Moved by Councillor Lanctot

That Council accept the Councillor Reports as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23-027 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That up to three Councillors be authorized to attend the Chamber of Commerce President's Gala on January 28, 2023.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23-028 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That the following be accepted as information:

- a) Town Accounts – Cheques 82167 – 82451;
- b) January 12, 2023 – Letter from Town of Bon Accord to Minister of Health re Ambulance Services;
- c) January 13, 2023 – Letter from Metrix Group re 2022 Audit Planning;
- d) Chamber of Commerce President's Gala – January 28, 2023;
- e) Town of Whitecourt 2023 Press Releases:
 - a. January 10 – Town Council Update;
- f) Woodlands County 2023 Media Releases and Public Notices:
 - a. January 17 – County Council January 16 Recap;
- g) Mayor's Calendar; and
- h) Council Calendar.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CAO Performance Appraisal:

The meeting recessed. Time: 4:33pm.

The meeting reconvened. Time: 4:36pm.

23-029 Moved by Councillor Lapointe

That Council go into Closed Meeting to discuss the CAO Performance Appraisal per Section 19 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. Time: 4:37pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23-030 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That Council revert to the Regular Meeting. Time: 4:55pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23-031 Moved by Councillor Lanctot

That Council accept the CAO Performance Appraisal as information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment: 23-032 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned. Time: 4:56pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer