

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 11, 2022

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at 6:00 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Public Works Superintendent Eric Blanchard, Utilities & Infrastructure Supervisor David Desabrais, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

A. PUBLIC HEARING BYLAW 1340-22

In order to receive public input on proposed Bylaw No. 1340-22, a Public Hearing, conducted by the Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

1. Call Public Hearing to Order

Reeve Rick Lemire recessed the Council meeting and called the Public Hearing to order, the time being 6:00 pm.

2. Advertising requirement

Reeve Rick Lemire stated that this Public Hearing has been advertised in accordance with Section 606 of the Municipal Government Act. This Public Hearing was advertised in the Shootin' the Breeze and Pincher Creek Echo on September 28 and October 5, 2022, as well as the MD website and MD Social Media pages.

3. Purpose of the hearing

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to receive public input on proposed Bylaw No. 1340-22.

CAO Roland Milligan gave an overview of Bylaw 1340-22.

The purpose of Bylaw No. 1340-22 being the bylaw to amend Bylaw 1289-18 (being the Land Use Bylaw) to change the land use designation of lands legally described as portion of SW 16 3-29 W4M from "Agriculture – A" to "Recreational 2 – RR2" with the proposed amendment to allow for the development of a recreational accommodation.

CAO Milligan explained that RR2 is very restrictive and requires fixed accommodation on a property. The first step to this type of development is the rezoning, then the plan would go to the Municipal Planning Commission for discussion and approval.

4. Presentations:

VERBAL:

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if anyone wanted to present a verbal submission:

Developer Clint Marr requested to speak on the following points:

- Owners of Spearpoint Cattle Company
- In the area there are dozens of air bnb's which don't require a permitting process
- Each grain bins will only contain a maximum of 4 people
- Proposal is directly off Highway 6, so no increased traffic on MD local roads
- Government wants people to diversify as this zone is protecting the viewscapes, lets use the viewscapes to diversify

Carter Marr requested to speak on the following points:

- Born and raised in the area, currently works at Pieridae and on the ranch

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- Cost of living increased to the point families can't keep a ranch sustainable without diversifying the land
- Compared to selling land to acreage owners, this type of development keep the land agriculture
- Grain bins will be a permanent structure, not a campground
- Plans are for 3 grain bins in the trees, build to blend into the landscape
- Currently there are 97 grain bins from Pincher Creek South to Waterton

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if anyone else wanted to present a verbal submission, no one else requested to speak.

WRITTEN:

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if any written submissions were received, the following was received and read for the minutes:

Scott and Wilma Linklater stated that, in response to the Silo proposal on the portion of SW16 3-29 W4M. Her mother's property is kitty corner to this proposal. They are very much in favor of this development and are excited to see the final product. Feels these would be very appealing to tourists, and they would not distract from the landscape at all since there are currently silos around the area.

There are very limited accommodation options for tourists outside of Waterton town site and they feel the surrounding areas should be shared. Just because someone inherited some land from their family does not mean they should have exclusive rights to the area.

Traffic going to Waterton on Hwy 6 has increased over the past few years and a few small developments will not cause extra traffic. Since this project is just off the highway, there would be no dust problems for neighbours from what they can see.

It also appears that there would be no further effort on the MD to support this project after completion (i.e.: no road maintenance). They also believe this development would be one of the special highlights

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if any written submissions were received, no further submissions were received.

5. Closing Comments

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if Council had any further questions, no further questions were asked.

6. Adjournment from Public Hearing

Councillor Tony Bruder adjourned the Public Hearing, the time being 6:15 pm.

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Tony Bruder 22/388

Moved that the Council Agenda for October 11, 2022 be amended to include:

Closed Session:

- Draft Utility Bylaw 1344-22 – FOIP Sec. 24
- A-ADMIN-003 Org Chart/Salary Grid – FOIP Sec. 24

And that the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

C. DELEGATION

D. MINUTES

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1. Committee Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2022

Councillor Dave Cox 22/389

Moved that the Committee Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2022 be amended to change “AIMES” to “AIMS”,

And that the notes be approved as amended.

Carried

2. Council Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2022

Councillor John MacGarva 22/390

Moved that the Council Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Meeting with Ministers at RMA

CAO Roland Milligan advised Council that he had a meeting with the new Alberta Emergency Management Field Officer Loren Thompson and received clarification on AIMS as it relates to the MD of Pincher Creek. Council requested the topics for meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs be changed to reflect that Council no longer needs to discuss AIMS and that Lorne Thompson be invited to attend a Council meeting early in the New Year.

b) Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP) Bylaw 1343-22

Councillor Dave Cox 22/391

Moved that Council give second reading of Bylaw 1343-22, being the Clean Energy Improvement Program Bylaw, and partner with the Town for funding to take advantage of the grant from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Carried

Councillor Tony Bruder 22/392

Moved that Council give third reading of Bylaw 1343-22.

Carried

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

a) Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1

- PCREMO
- ASB
- Joint Budget

b) Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2

- PCREMO
- Joint Budget
- Union Negotiations Committee

c) Councillor Dave Cox – Division 3

- ICF
- Castle Community Association
- Joint Budget

d) Councillor Harold Hollingshead - Division 4

- ICF
- PCESC

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- ASB
- Strategic Planning Sessions
- Community Policing Grant
- e) Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - Policing Webinar
 - Lundbreck Citizens Council

Councillor Tony Bruder 22/393

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

H. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Operations Report

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/394

Moved that Council receive the Operations report, which includes the call log, for the period September 21, 2022 to October 5, 2022 as information.

Carried

2. Finance

a) Intermediate Asset Management Cohort Application

Councillor Tony Bruder 22/395

Moved that Council direct Administration to apply for the Intermediate Asset Management Cohort program through RMA, ABmunis, and IAMA;

AND THAT the MD of Pincher Creek commits staff and other personnel to participating in the Intermediate Asset Management Cohort with both in-person and online meetings;

AND FURTHER THAT the MD of Pincher Creek commits financial support from its budget to the costs of this initiative relating to staff travel and accommodation.

Carried

3. Development and Community Services

a) AES October Activity Report

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/396

Moved that Council accept for information AES October Activity Report.

Carried

b) Bylaw 1341-22 LUB Amendment - GRC to A (Ron Sekella)

Councillor Dave Cox 22/397

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1341-22, being the bylaw to amend Bylaw 1289-18 (being the Land Use Bylaw) to change the land use designation of lands legally described as Block P, Plan 9210672 within W1/2 34-7-30-W4M, from “Grouped Country Residential – GCR” to “Agriculture - A”, second reading.

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Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/398

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1341-22 third reading.

Carried

c) Bylaw 1345-22 LUB Amendment- A - RR2 (River Bend Ranch Houses)

Councillor Dave Cox 22/399

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1345-22, being the Bylaw to change the land use designation of lands legally described as a portion of Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 1911330 within the NE 20-6-1 W5M, from "Agriculture - A" to "Rural Recreation 2 - RR2";

AND THAT the required public hearing be scheduled for November 22, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Carried

d) Livestock Water Concerns Discussion

Council discussed the concerns on lack of water for livestock in the Municipality due to dry conditions and the frustration that ranchers are feeling at the inability to obtain water licenses to fill dugouts for cattle. Council directed administration to add livestock water licensing concerns to the list of agenda items to meeting with the Minister of Environment at RMA.

e) Agricultural Service Board Terms of Reference

Councillor John MacGarva 22/400

Moved that Council approve the updated Agricultural Service Board Terms of Reference.

Carried.

4. Municipal

a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Councillor John MacGarva 22/401

Moved that Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of September 27, 2022 to October 6, 2022.

Carried

I. POLICY REVIEW

J. CORRESPONDENCE

1. For Action

a) Royal Canadian Legion Pincher Creek

Councillor John MacGarva 22/402

Moved that Council authorize the following for the Pincher Creek Legion:

- Pincher Creek Branch #43 Members and Pincher Creek Branch #43 Ladies Auxiliary Members to canvas businesses, individuals and organizations beginning October 11, 2022 for the sale of wreaths and donations to the Royal Canadian Legion Pincher Creek Branch #43 Poppy Fund,
- To distribute poppy boxes, as soon as authorized by Dominion Command,

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- Youth Groups to canvas the residential areas with poppies on the first Saturday in November, and
- Declare the week of November 5 to 11 as "Veterans' Week".

Carried

2. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 22/403

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Chinook Arch Board Report
- b) RCMP Town Hall Meeting – October 13, 2022

Carried

K. NEW BUSINESS

L. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Harold Hollings 22/404

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 7:35 pm:

- a) Municipal Energy Project Lead – FOIP Sec. 24
- b) FCSS – FOIP Sec. 24
- c) Draft Utility Bylaw 1344-22 – FOIP Sec. 24
- d) A-ADMIN-003 Org Chart/Salary Grid – FOIP Sec. 24

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/405

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 9:42 pm.

Carried

- a) Municipal Energy Project Lead

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/406

Moved that Council direct Administration to include the position of a Municipal Energy Project Lead (MEPL) in the 2023 and 2024 operating budgets;

AND THAT in the event the position becomes vacant, the position shall be brought back to Council to reassess.

Carried

- b) Utility Bylaw 1344-22

Councillor Tony Bruder 22/407

Moved that Utility Bylaw 1344-22, be tabled until the next Council meeting pending further information.

Carried

- c) Salary Grid/A-ADMIN-003 Org Chart

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/408

Moved that Salary Grid, and policy A-ADMIN-003, Organizational Chart, be approved as discussed.

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M. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva

22/409

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 9:47 pm.

Carried



REEVE



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER