

**MINUTES**  
**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JUNE 13, 2023**

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 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, and Councillors Dave Cox, John MacGarva and Harold Hollingshead.

**STAFF** CAO Roland Milligan, Public Works Manager Patrick Gauvreau, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, Municipal Energy Project Lead Tristan Walker, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

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

**A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/221

Moved that the Council Agenda for June 13, 2023 be amended to include:

- Municipal G4h) Letter to Town of Pincher Creek – PCESC
- Action H1f) Community Open House Pincher Creek Climate Risk Assessment and Adaption Plan

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

**MOMENT OF SILENCE – GERALD LEWIS**

Reeve Lemire held a moment of silence for the loss of community member Gerald Lewis, as one of the founders to create Heritage Acres, he tragically passed away on June 8, 2023. Council will send a sympathy card to the family acknowledging this great loss.

**B. DELEGATIONS**

**C. MINUTES**

**1. Committee Meeting Minutes – May 23, 2023**

Councillor John MacGarva 23/222

Moved that the Committee Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

**2. Council Meeting Minutes – May 23, 2023**

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/223

Moved that the Council Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

**D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**a) Bylaw 1347-23 (Clean Energy Improvement Program)**

Council questioned the Clean Energy Improvement Program with Municipal Energy Project Lead, Tristan Walker, to clarify some concerns they had related to implementing this program. Questions such as transmission line capacity, tie in with mortgages, solar farm capacity, and consultation with FORTIS.

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Councillor Dave Cox 23/224

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1347-23, being the Bylaw to authorize the MD of Pincher Creek establish a Clean Energy Improvement Program, second reading.

Carried

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/225

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1347-23, being the Bylaw to authorize the MD of Pincher Creek establish a Clean Energy Improvement Program, third reading.

Carried

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
  - ORRSC AGM
  - \*Note - Waterton Biosphere AGM June 22, 2023 at 7:00pm
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
  - Re Use Fair
  - PCESC
  - MD of Smokey River
  - Alberta SouthWest
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
  - PCREMO
  - Beaver Mines Community Associations
  - Re Use Fair
4. Councillor Harold Hollingshead - Division 4
  - Alberta SouthWest
  - Pincher Creek Foundation
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
  - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill
  - Joint Health and Safety Meeting
  - PCREMO
  - MD of Smokey River
  - Lundbreck Citizens Council
  - Planning and Subdivision Meeting
  - Public Works Safety Meeting
  - Alberta SouthWest
  - Highway 3 Twinning Association

Councillor Dave Cox 23/226

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations
  - a) Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva 23/227

Moved that Council receive the Operations report, which includes the call log, for the period May 18<sup>th</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as information.

Carried

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Public Works Manager was directed to investigate the process to remove current guards on fire hydrants, while still maintaining visibility and safety.

b) Corporate Policy C-PW-009 Dust Control

Councillor Dave Cox 23/228

Moved that Council approve Schedule A for Corporate Policy C-PW-009 Dust Control, as presented at the meeting on June 13, 2023.

Carried

c) Plow/Gravel Truck Repair Estimate

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/229

Moved that Council table the discussion on Plow/Gravel Truck Repair Estimate pending the Public Works Managers draft Public Works Master Plan.

Carried

Public Works Manager Patrick Gauvreau left the meeting at this time, the time being 7:06 pm.

d) QUEST Canada Net-Zero Community Accelerator Program

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/230

Moved that Council provide approval to move forward with the Net-Zero Communities Accelerator program with QUEST Canada at a cost of \$4,000 in the 2024 budget.

Carried

Administration was directed to have QUEST Canada attend a future Council meeting to discuss the Net-Zero Communities Accelerator program.

2. Finance

Municipal Energy Project Lead, Tristen Walker, left the meeting at this time, the time being 7:24 pm.

3. Development and Community Services

a) Southern Alberta Land Trust Society (SALTS) Conservation Easement – Blum SW 16-4-28 W4 & SE 17-4-28 W4 & Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 0810973 & Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 0810973

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/231

Moved that Council acknowledge the receipt of the notice of the Conservation Easements for Southern Alberta Land Trust Society (SALTS) Conservation Easement – Blum SW 16-4-28 W4 & SE 17-4-28 W4 & Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 0810973 & Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 0810973;

AND THAT Council waive the 60-day notice period prior to registration for the Conservation Easement.

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- b) Draft Letter to Evolugen - Re Sunrise Solar Project

Councillor Dave Cox 23/232

Moved that Council approve a joint letter of opposition with the Town of Pincher Creek to Evolugen regarding the Sunrise Solar Project.

Carried

4. Municipal

- a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Councillor Dave Cox 23/233

Moved that Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Carried

- b) Corporate Policy C-AES-005 Weed Control Act and Agricultural Pest Act Appeal Committee

Councillor Dave Cox 23/234

Moved that Council approve policy C-AES-005 Weed Control Act and Agricultural Pest Act Appeal Committee.

Carried

- c) Corporate Policy C-AES-007 Soil Conservation Act Appeal Committee

Councillor John MacGarva 23/235

Moved that Council approve policy C-AES-007 Soil Conservation Act Appeal Committee.

Carried

- d) Corporate Policy C-CO-005 Municipal Boards, Committees and Appointments

Councillor John MacGarva 23/236

Moved that Council approve policy C-CO-005 Municipal Boards, Committees and Appointments.

Carried

- e) Appointment of Members to Soil Conservation Act Appeal Committee

Councillor Dave Cox 23/237

Moved that as per policy C-AES-007 Soil Conservation Act Appeal Committee, the following Council members be appointed to that committee:

- Reeve Rick Lemire
- Councillor Dave Cox
- Councillor John MacGarva

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- f) Appointment of Members to Weed Control & Agricultural Act Appeal Committee

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/238

Moved that as per the Policy C-AES-005 the following be appointed to the Weed Control Act & Agricultural Pest Act Appeal Committee;

- Kelly Cooley
- Tony Naumczyk
- Kent Zielke

Carried

- g) Appointment of Members to Committee – ALUS

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/239

Moved that the Alternative Land Use System Partnership Advisory Committee (ALUS PAC) be added as a Committee of Council (Policy C-CO-005 Municipal Boards, Committee and Appointments);

AND THAT at the Annual Organizational Meeting One Councillor and 3 Members at Large be appointed to the ALUS PAC;

AND FINALLY THAT Council appoint Councillor Tony Bruder, and Members at Large Dixon Hammond, Denis Lastuka and Mark Zoratti, as members of the ALUS PAC for the remainder of the term in 2023.

Carried

- h) Letter to Town of Pincher Creek – PCESC

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/240

Moved that administration be directed to send a letter to the Town of Pincher Creek regarding the Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission (PCESC) Partnership as discussed.

Carried

## H. CORRESPONDENCE

1. For Action

- a) Chief Mountain Gas Coop 50th Anniversary Celebration - Celebration August 19, 2023

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/241

Moved to receive the Chief Mountain Gas Coop 50th Anniversary Celebration as information.

Carried

- b) Pincher Creek Rodeo Parade - Invitation for August 19, 2023

Councillor Dave Cox 23/242

Moved that Council participate in the Pincher Creek Rodeo Parade for August 19, 2023, and that administration be directed to provide a float, and driver, for this event.

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- c) Riplinger Wind Power Project Stakeholder Engagement Session - Session June 22, 2023

Councillor John MacGarva 23/243

Moved to receive the Riplinger Wind Power Project Stakeholder Engagement Session - Session June 22, 2023, as information.

Carried

- d) National Indigenous Peoples Day - Invitation for Celebration on June 21, 2023

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/244

Moved that Council be authorized to attend the Family and Community Support Services National Indigenous Peoples Day - Celebration on June 21, 2023.

Carried

- e) Pincher Creek Curling Club CFEP Grant

Councillor John MacGarva 23/245

Moved that Council authorize a letter of support for the Pincher Creek Curling Club towards their application for CFEP stating that the MD of Pincher Creek supports the application and project;

AND THAT the MD will provide an in kind donation of aggregate and delivery, up to a maximum of \$25,000.

Carried

2. For Information

- a) McLaughlin Wind Project - Update from CAPSTONE Infrastructure May 2023

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/246

Moved that the McLaughlin Wind Project - Update from CAPSTONE Infrastructure May 2023, be received as information.

Carried

K. NEW BUSINESS

L. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/247

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 8:19 pm:

- a) ICF Recreation Agreement – FOIP Sec. 24.1.b  
 b) Road Closure Purchase Request – FOIP Sec. 16.1.ii

Councillor John MacGarva 23/248

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 8:25 pm.

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a) ICF Recreation Agreement

Councillor John MacGarva 23/249

Moved that administration be directed to work with the administration for the Town of Pincher Creek to work jointly on an amending ICF Recreation Agreement.

Carried

b) Road Closure Purchase Request (Shift Real Estate)

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/250

Moved that Council approve the applicants request to close and purchase the undeveloped roadway west of Lot 6 and Lot 7, Plan 6507GX, along with the alleys between Lots 4-10, Plan 6507GX and South of Lots 4-6, Plan 6507GX, with the stipulation that the applicants consolidate the parcel to one lot,

AND THAT applicants (Shift Real Estate) will be responsible for all costs associated with the closure and consolidation of the roadway and alleys into the parcel.

Carried

M. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/251

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 8:31 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER