# MINUTES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 22, 2023

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 6:00 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire (via conference call), Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Public Works Manager Patrick Gauvreau, Development Officer Laura McKinnon and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire was attending via conference call, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

#### A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor John MacGarva

23/302

Moved that the Council Agenda for August 22, 2023 be amended to include:

- Business Arising From the Minutes:
  - o Letter to the Town Re: Curling Club
  - o Rescind Resolution 23/245
- Operations:
  - o Water Shortage
- Municipal:
  - O Collective Bargaining Agreement

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

- B. DELEGATIONS
- C. MINUTES
  - 1. Committee Meeting Minutes July 11, 2023

Councillor John MacGarva

23/303

Moved that the Committee Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Council Meeting Minutes – July 11, 2023

Councillor Dave Cox

23/304

Moved that the Council Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

3. Council Meeting Minutes – August 8, 2023

Councillor Dave Cox

23/305

Moved that the Council Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

- D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Rescind Resolution 23/245

Councillor John MacGarva

23/306

Moved that Council rescind resolution 23/245.

Carried

b) Letter to the Town - Re: Curling Club

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/307

Moved that Council direct Administration to draft a letter to the Town of Pincher Creek regarding the contingent donation to the curling club;

AND THAT the letter state the MD has no financial obligation to the Town of Pincher Creek regarding operating or further capital costs;

AND FINALLY THAT should the Curling Club or the Town of Pincher Creek require any further funding, both parties are encouraged to present to the MD Council for decision.

Carried

## F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

- 1. Councillor Tony Bruder Division 1
  - ALUS (Alternative Land Use System)
  - Waterton Biosphere
- 2. Reeve Rick Lemire Division 2
  - Pincher Creek Emergency Services
  - Pincher Foundation
  - Meeting with Doctors
- 3. Councillor Dave Cox–Division 3
  - Pancake Flipping at Heritage Acres
  - Pincher Creek Emergency Services
  - Chinook Arch Library
  - AHS Meeting at Community Hall
- 4. Councillor Harold Hollingshead Division 4
  - Pancake Flipping at Heritage Acres
  - Police Advisory Committee
  - Ratepayer Concerns
- 5. Councillor John MacGarva Division 5
  - Health and Safety
  - Meeting with Doctors
  - Ratepayer Concerns

Councillor John MacGarva

23/308

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

## G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- 1. Operations
  - a) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Dave Cox

23/309

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure Report, including the call log, for the period July 11, 2023 to August 18, 2023 as information.

Carried

b) Asphalt Testing Lab Compensation

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/310

Moved that Council accept the donation from Roads West Engineering Ltd,

AND THAT Council direct Administration to record the parking lot as a capital project and a market value equal to \$26,000.

Carried

c) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor John MacGarva

23/311

Moved that the Utilities & Infrastructure report for the period July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 is received as information.

Carried

- 2. Finance
- 3. Development and Community Services
  - a) Crowsnest Pass Quarterly RCMP Report

Councillor Dave Cox

23/312

Moved that the following from the Crowsnest Pass RCMP be received as information;

- Final 2023 Q1 Community Letter
- RCMP Provincial Policing Report
- Crowsnest Pass Provincial Crime Stats

Carried

b) Pincher Creek Quarterly RCMP Report

Reeve Rick Lemire

23/313

Moved that the following from the Pincher Creek RCMP be received as information;

- Final 2023 Q1 Community Letter
- RCMP Provincial Policing Report
- Pincher Creek Provincial Crime Stats

Carried

c) Road Closure Bylaw 1348-23 Portion undeveloped lanes and roadways Adjacent to Lots 4-10 Plan 6507GX within Pincher Station

Councillor John MacGarva

23/314

Moved that Council give first reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1348-23, being the Bylaw to close the Portion undeveloped lanes and roadways Adjacent to Lots 4-10 Plan 6507GX within Pincher Station;

AND THAT Council set the date and time for the required Public Hearing for September 26, 2023, at 6:00pm.

Carried

### 4. Municipal

a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/315

Moved that Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of June 23, 2023 to August 17, 2023.

Carried

b) Collective Bargaining Agreement

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/316

Moved that Council ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between CUPE Local 927 and the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, dated August 22, 2023, for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

#### Carried

# 1. Operations

Mayor of Cowley, Barbara Burnett, attended the meeting at this time, the time being 7:12 pm.

Councillor Dave Cox

23/317

Moved that Mayor of Cowley, Barbara Burnett, be invited to speak during the water shortage discussion.

Carried

# d) Water Shortage

David Desabrais stated to Council that on August 17, 2023 the MD went into Stage 3 activation of water restrictions due to the fact that the intake pipes were above the water table. Presently the MD is hauling water to the treatment plant to ensure water supply to all residents that are hooked up to Municipal water services.

Mayor of Cowley, Barbara Burnett, stated that she spoke with Dave Hunt with Alberta Government that they are planning on dropping the water table another 38 meters.

Presently David is looking at options for future hauling, pumping, and hiring contractors to maintain water supply through the Fall and Winter.

Megan Dobie left the meeting at this time, the time being 7:45 pm.

David Desabrais will communicate with the Town and Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Services and update Council accordingly.

Barbra Burnett left the meeting at this time, the time being 8:31 pm.

#### H. CORRESPONDENCE

1. For Action

a) Invitation to Cypress County Ag Connections Conference - Conference November 22, 2023

Councillor Dave Cox

23/318

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend the Cypress County Ag Connections Conference, taking place on November 22, 2023;

AND THAT this invitation be forwarded to the Agricultural Service Board;

AND FINALLY THAT administration post the invitation on the MD's social media channels.

#### Carried

b) Potential Meeting Opportunity (Municipal Affairs Minister) - 2023 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Fall Convention November 6-9, 2023

Councillor John MacGarva

23/319

Moved that Administration be directed to respond to the Municipal Affairs Minister regarding the invitation to meet during the 2023 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Fall Convention November 6-9, 2023;

AND THAT Council is in agreement to meet with the Minister on the topic of changing of lease hold titles for the Canadian Wilderness Recreation Boat Club (Cowley Boat Club).

## Carried

c) Request for Sponsorship – Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce - 28th Annual Awards of Excellence – October 20, 2023

Reeve Rick Lemire

23/320

Moved that Council sponsor the Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce - 28th Annual Awards of Excellence on October 20, 2023 at the Gold Sponsorship level for \$750, with the amount to be taken from Grants to Groups and Organizations.

## Carried

d) Request for Two Texas Gate Installations - Letter from Bruce Mowat

Councillor Dave Cox

23/321

Moved that Council grant Bruce Mowat's request for the two Texas Gates at road 9-0 located at SE 3-9-1 W5 and NE 2-9-1 W5 just South of 9-0;

AND THAT, as per Policy C-PW-005 Texas Gates, all costs be at the owners expense.

#### Carried

2. For Information

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/322

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) AER community engagement event
  - Event at Heritage Inn September 7, 2023
- b) NGTL West Path Delivery 2023 Socio-Economic Effects Monitoring

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- c) Sunrise Solar/Evolugen
- Response to July 18 2023 Letter from Evolugen and Update on Project Engagement
  - Response from AUC regarding Evolugen
- d) Thank you Email
  - Email from Beaver Mines
- e) Chief Mountain Gas Co-op Ltd. Staff Appreciation Golf Day
  - September 21, 2023
- f) Heritage Acres Thank you Council & Public Works
- g) County of Stettler No. 6 Letters to Ministers
  - Feed and Transportation Assistance Programs for Alberta Ag Disaster Areas
  - Special Areas Board request for additional supports
  - Additional Supports Required for Agricultural Producers Special Area No. 2,
- 31 & 4
- h) Funding letter from Municipal Affairs
- Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Capital and Operating programs, and the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) program

Carried

#### K. NEW BUSINESS

# L. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/323

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 8:56 pm:

a) Road Closure Purchase Request - FOIP Sec. 16.1.ii

Councillor Dave Cox

23/324

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 8:56 pm.

Carried

a) Road Closure Purchase Request

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/325

Moved that Council approve the applicants request to close and purchase the undeveloped Road Plan 2906Q within NW 35-5-1 W5, with the applicant being responsible for all costs associated with this request.

Carried

## M. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva

23/326

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 8:59 pm.

Carried

**DEPUTY REEVE** 

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER