

**MINUTES**  
**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JANUARY 9, 2024**

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

- PRESENT** Reeve Dave Cox, Deputy Reeve John MacGarva, and Councillors Tony Bruder and Rick Lemire.
- STAFF** CAO Roland Milligan, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Finance Manager Brendan Schlossberger, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.
- ABSENT** Councillor Harold Hollingshead

Reeve Dave Cox called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/001

Moved that the agenda for January 9, 2024 be amended to include:

Correspondence Action:

- e) Foothills Little Bow – January 19, 2024
  - Council attendance
  - Agenda Items
- f) RMA Spring Convention – March 18 – 20, 2024
  - Council attendance
  - Minister Meetings
- g) Letter of Support Request – Pincher Creek Hockey Association – CFEP
  - Town of Pincher Creek Resolution
- h) MOU with Cardston – January 26, 2024
  - Council attendance
  - \$150 contribution to lunch
- i) Minister of Tourism Meeting – January 25, 2024

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

**B. DELEGATIONS**

**C. MINUTES**

- 1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – December 12, 2023

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/002

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of December 12, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

- 2) Special Council Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2023

Councillor John MacGarva 24/003

Moved that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of December 7, 2023 amended to revise Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, to Councillor Tony Bruder,

AND THAT the minutes be approved as amended.

Carried

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3) Council Meeting Minutes – December 12, 2023

Councillor John MacGarva 24/004

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of December 12, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
2. Councillor Rick Lemire – Division 2
3. Reeve Dave Cox– Division 3
  - Castle Community Association
4. Councillor Harold Hollingshead - Division 4
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
  - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
  - Joint Health and Safety

Councillor Rick Lemire 24/005

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/006

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including the call log, for the period December 6, 2023 to January 4, 2024 as information.

Carried

b) Southfork Road Reconstruction

Councillor Rick Lemire 24/007

Moved that Council approve \$370,000 in 2024 funds for capital work on the Southfork Road, with said funds coming from the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI).

Carried

c) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/008

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure Report for the period December 6, 2023 to January 3, 2024 as information.

Carried

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d) Capital Adjustment – Beaver Mines Distribution and Collection

Councillor John MacGarva 24/009

Moved that Council approve up to a maximum of \$239,000 in 2024 funds for capital work required to complete the Beaver Mines Distribution & Collection Project within the approved project total of \$6,062,064;

AND THAT Council approve the funding of this capital work through the existing Small Communities Fund Grant, Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership Grant, and Municipal Sustainability Initiative funds.

Carried

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/010

Moved that Council direct Administration to refine the cost estimate for Intake Alternative #2 (infiltration structure at SW-33-007-01 W5M and connection to existing infrastructure) for a submission to the Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership (AMWWP) grant.

Carried

Councillor John MacGarva 24/011

Moved that a letter be written to our MLA, the Ministers of Alberta Environment & Protected Areas, Forestry & Parks, Agriculture & Irrigation, and Alberta Transportation be written urging them to assist with a timely review of regulatory submission for the MD of Pincher Creeks Oldman Reservoir Intake Project, and that the draft letter be brought back to Council for review.

Carried

2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) Update - Alberta Indigenous & Municipal Transition Grant

Development updated Council that the Alberta Indigenous & Municipal Police Transition Grant Program for the Community Peace Officer/Bylaw Enforcement Program Launch. Administration met with the facilitators of the program and it was determined that grant could not be used for consulting fees once a policing direction had be chosen.

4. Municipal

a) CAO Activity Report

Councillor John MacGarva 24/012

Moved that Council receive for information, the CAO Activity report for the period of December 11, 2023 to January 5, 2024.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

1. For Action

a) Sunrise Solar Project Open House - Tuesday January 16, 2024 Heritage Inn

If Councillors choose to go, it will be as citizens, not as Council members.

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- b) Letter of Concern – Beaver Mines Water Project - Cornell Van Ryk

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/013

Moved to direct administration to reply to Cornell Van Ryk's letter of concern on the Beaver Mines Water Project.

Carried

- c) Request for Letter of Support - SASCI Application to Small Communities Opportunity Program

Councillor Rick Lemire 24/014

Moved that Council authorize a Letter of Support for SASCI's Application to Small Communities Opportunity Program.

Carried

- d) Request for Sponsorship - Pincher Creek & District Municipal Library

Councillor Rick Lemire 24/015

Moved that Council sponsor an amount of \$500 towards the Pincher Creek & District Municipal Library event to bring Dark Sky Guides to Pincher Creek;

AND that this amount be taken from 2-75-0-770-2765 - Grants to Groups.

Carried

- e) Foothills Little Bow – January 19, 2024

Administration will respond on behalf of Council regarding attendees, and providing a donation basket.

- f) RMA Spring Convention – March 18 – 20, 2024

Council requested for the discussion on RMA to be brought back at the Council meeting of January 23, 2024.

- g) Letter of Support Request – Pincher Creek Hockey Association – CFEP

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/016

Moved that Council authorize a Letter of Support for the Pincher Creek Hockey Association for their grant application to CFEP.

Carried

- h) MOU with Cardston – January 26, 2024

Councillor John MacGarva 24/017

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend the signing of the MOU with Cardston on January 26, 2024;

AND THAT Council donate \$150 towards the contribution for lunch, with the amount be taken from 2-75-0-770-2765 - Grants to Groups.

Carried

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- i) Minister of Tourism – January 25, 2024

Councillor Rick Lemire 24/018

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend the meeting with the Minister of Tourism in the Council chambers on January 25, 2024.

Carried

2. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/019

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Assessment Model Review - Letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs
- b) Water Monitoring Program - Letter from Alberta Environment
- c) Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) - Letter from Municipal Affairs
- d) Oldman Watershed Council Announcement - New website
- e) Peace Officer Shared Service Agreement - Letter from Town of Pincher Creek

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor John MacGarva 24/020

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 7:40 pm:

- a) Road Closure Request – FOIP Sec. 24.1

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/021

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 8:05 pm.

Carried

- a) Road Closure Request (Culham)

Councillor Rick Lemire 24/022

Moved that the applicants request to close and purchase portions of undeveloped Statutory Road Allowance between NE 21-8-1 W5 and NW 22-8-1 W5, be tabled to January 23, 2024 pending further discussion with applicant.

Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Tony Bruder 24/023

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 8:06 pm.

Carried



REEVE



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER