

Council Present: Mayor Tyler Warman and Councillors: Brice Ferguson, Rebecca King, Darin Busk, Julie Brandle, and Joy McGregor

Council Absent: Councillor Shawn Gramlich

Staff Present: Garry Roth – Director of Community Services/acting CAO, and Briana Lachance – Recording Secretary.

Media Present: Lakeside Leader

Others Present: Residents

Meeting called to order at 6:59 p.m. by Mayor Warman

Agenda:

Motion #270-19: Moved by Councillor King

That the Committee of the Whole Agenda for August 13, 2019 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Delegation:

- a) Community Futures Business Survey – Josh Friesen, Executive Director

Josh Friesen gave a presentation on their business survey and their want to partner with the Town of Slave Lake.

Motion #271-19: Moved by Councillor Brandle

That the Town of Slave Lake partners with Community Futures, The Slave Lake Chamber of Commerce, and Alberta labour on the Business Visitation Program as capacity allows.

CARRIED

7:14 p.m. – Councillor Ferguson stepped away from Council Chambers

7:15 p.m. – Councillor Ferguson returned to Council Chambers.

CAO Update:

August 13, 2019

Safety:

- There have been two reported incidents in the month of August. One was a first aid injury, and the other was the ammonia leak false alarm (MRC).
- First Aid recertification course is set for Thursday, September 5th.

Finance:

- Meter replacement project is now complete with Master Meter. We have finished sending meters back to Master Meter. Anyone who has not had their meter changed, the meter charge will stand.
- Tax penalty August 1st has been applied. Next penalty is October 1st at 8%. RFI (Request for Information) letters will be going out soon. RFI letters are for KCL. This year additional information has been requested as usually it's only industrial and now they require residential to be added.

Operations and Utilities:

- Weather permitting, crews will be grading, sweeping and line painting this week. Also working on some repairs to manhole frames and prepping for asphalt maintenance.
- Utilities – sewer cleaning and lift station maintenance. Also have a couple water meter investigations ongoing.

Planning and Development

- Working with the Project Manager, we hired a local company to complete the Environmental Site Assessments on the two hotel sites. Once those have been received, a Request for Proposal (RFP) will be posted on the APC website regarding the demolition plans for each. We expect the RFP to be posted late August or early September.
- Completed inspection of a commercial property and are now ready to lift the Stop Order, which concludes this legal file.
- Conducted several lot grading inspections and inspections to close several development permit files.

Fire Department

- Call volumes for this quarter have went down as per the time frame from last year. 43 calls this year compared to 69 calls in 2018. We had 5 calls this week most of the calls coming in over the weekend. Our lead call being Medical Co-Response.
- Calls: MVC @ TWP RD 730 RD 52 - Intoxicated driver resulting in collision; Vehicle Fire @HWY 2 Athabasca Bridge; Duty Officer @ TWP 670 RR13-Result of cooking incident; 2 Medical CoResponse @21 AVE Flatbush- Patient with breathing issues & 406 6 ST SE-Patient overdose.
- We have 7 members away for the CVFSA conference that is taking place in Wolfville NB this week as well as 2 members away on holidays. We have assistance from the rural halls that will be backing up Hall 1 while our crew is away.
- Norquest College is finishing off their 1001 class as well as our regional 1001 is winding down. The Firesmart crew is getting ready for the trail open today and finishing off preparation for Marten Beach clean-up day that is scheduled for Aug 24.

Projects

- Regional Waterline Project - The final tie-in at the Water Treatment Plant is complete and the crews are coming back this week to clear up the few remaining deficiencies to get ready for the final 30 day system performance test, which should begin in about 2 weeks.
- 5 Ave NW between 5 St and 8 St NW Road Rehabilitation Project – The paving and concrete work is complete and the landscaping work has started and stopped numerous times due to the rain and weather permitting, should be complete the landscaping by the end of this week to complete the project.

- Sewage Lagoon Upgrade Project – The project has been progressing very well. The 3 new SAGR Cells have all been lined and the piping is well under way with 2 of the 3 SAGR cells already filled with gravel and the 3rd one is in progress. The work on transforming the existing Lagoon Cell 2 into an active lagoon is complete and it is currently being filled to put into service. The next critical step is to empty, clean and line Lagoon Cell 1. Wet weather has slowed the progress.
- Hilltop Reservoir Piping Replacement Project – The detailed design and engineering is complete and the tender package was posted last week and will be awarded in early September with construction starting around October 1.
- Sawridge Lift Station Modifications – Project is complete.
- Barton Park Parking Lot and Walking Trails – Project is complete. □ Walking Trail Repairs – Project is complete. Walking trail relocation project, one behind RMHS and the other behind the NLC.

Community Services

- Enforcement:
 - Vagrancy related complaints are beginning to increase again. Mostly involving consuming alcohol in public and being drunk in our building.
 - To date we currently sit at a total of 498 investigations for the year, close to 100 more than last year's file count.
 - Many unsightly investigations were closed the week as the properties under investigation have complied. And, we have received a large number of noxious prohibited weed complaints (ongoing).
 - Planning for the back to school initiative, partnering with EMS and Fire. This would include setting up in school zones with our flashers going to educate drivers to exercise road and pedestrian safety within our school zones.
- Aquatics:
 - We are running a National Lifeguard course this week.
 - KAFT is sponsoring a public swim on August 18th.
- FCSS:
 - Anger Ed classes will be running: Women's class starts September 24th – November 26th & Men's group October 4-6th.
 - Outback Power Pack is quickly approaching September 13– 15th.
 - Parent Link is going to EC Bar ranch on Monday for the corn maze.
 - ECD Coalition had our annual Family BBQ at Poplar Grove Park on Tuesday, served over 330 burger and hot dogs. We had lots of partner agency representation. We had a lot of great feedback from the public about having events in that area of town, and how clean and nice the park looked.
- Parks & Facilities:
 - Hosted provincial midgets and Slow pitch tournaments July 25-27th.
 - Slo-pitch diamonds were closed for a short while because of water saturation. One tournament affected and has rebooked to Aug 17 & 18th.
 - Continued to maintain cutting and parks maintenance, even though crews have been short staffed, and weather has been challenging.
 - Will be starting resurfacing of the Kinettes Park (playground sand and borders).
 - Working on the elimination of identified noxious and prohibited weeds.

- Completed the installation of the MRC header fire wall and header replacement.
- Have started installing the ice in arena 1 should be completed August 16th.
- Ammonia alarm upgrades are underway and should resolve the false alarms.
- Benches on 2 Ave. N.W. are being removed this week.
- Trail closures behind the NLC due to bear activity in the area.

- Recreation & Programming:
 - We will be releasing available ice rental times shortly for the next 2 weeks.
 - Ice Users fall meeting next week.
 - Summer Splash will be moving to Northern Lakes College next week for their final week of camp.
 - We are beginning to wrap up the summer season at the VIC, our last day of operation will be September 2nd.

- Upcoming Events:
 - Aug 12 – 16th: Volleyball Camp (MRC)
 - Aug 16th: Wibit Warrior Swims (NLAC)
 - Aug 17th: Private Rental (Legacy)
 - Aug 19 – 23rd: Peak Hockey School (MRC)
 - Aug 23rd: Last day of Summer Splash (NLC)
 - Aug 24th: Colour Run (Sinclair)
 - Aug 24th: Ice Breakers (MRC)
 - Aug 31st: Private Rental (Legacy)
 - Aug 31st: Self Defense Classes (MRC)

Introductions:

- Sheena Gladue
- Donna Lising
- Georgia Scudder

Minutes of Previous Meetings

- a) Regular Meeting of Council – July 16, 2019

Motion #272-19: Moved by Councillor King

That the Regular Meeting of Council minutes of July 16, 2019 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Items for Discussion:

- a) Crime Reduction Unit

Motion #273-19: Moved by Mayor Warman

That Council direct Administration to work with the RCMP to build a plan that we can advocate to the Government of Alberta to establish a Rural Crime Reduction Task Force in our region.

CARRIED

Reports and New Business:

- a) Municipal Internship Program – Briana Lachance, Executive Assistant.

Motion #274-19: Moved by Mayor Warman

That Council task Administration to proceed with the Municipal Internship Program.

CARRIED

Committee Minutes:

a) **Finance, Legislative, Intergovernmental Affairs**

- 1) Intermunicipal Committee
- 2) Slave Lake Watershed Council
- 3) Slave Lake and District Chamber of Commerce
- 4) Tri – Council (Town, MD and Sawridge First Nation)

b) **Community Services**

- 1) Lesser Slave Lake Regional Housing Authority
- 2) Tri-Council Health Committee
- 3) Naming Advisory Committee
- 4) Slave Lake Library Board
- 5) Community Futures Lesser Slave Lake Region
- 6) Community Education Committee

c) **Property Services**

- 1) Municipal Planning Commission
- 2) Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
- 3) Lesser Slave Lake Regional Waste Management
- 4) Slave Lake Airport Commission
- 5) Lesser Slave Lake Region Wildfire Legacy Corporation

d) **Protective Services**

- 1) Protective Services Committee
- 2) Disaster Services

e) **Other**

- 1) Northern Alberta Mayor's and Reeves Caucus
- 2) Northern Alberta Elected Leaders

Motion #275-19: Moved by Councillor Brandle

To accept the Committee updates as information.

CARRIED

Management Task List:

Motion #276-19: Moved by Councillor King

That Council accepts the Management Task list as information.

CARRIED

Mayors Corner:

- I have received some frustration and comments from those affected by flooding out in Marten Beach. The Town has been in contact with the MD regularly and has had discussions with our MLA, but we take direction from MD as it is their jurisdiction.
- Yesterday was the Grand Opening for the FireSmart interpretive trail. It was built with grant money and will be a great added value for the Visitor Information Centre.
- Yesterday through a new information chain, that includes; industry owners, elected officials, and RCMP, there was an individual who identified a problem that was able to be solved really quickly thanks to this chain of information and communication. It is a neat thing to see, that because of community involvement things were resolved quickly. I am excited to see RCMP and our community working together.
- I am excited that in the next few weeks we will have a grand opening for the Allarie trails with the new signage.



In Camera:

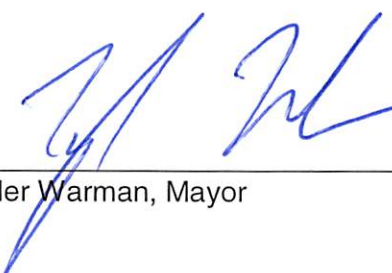
Personnel & HR Matters
FOIP Sections (23, 24, and 27)

Motion #277-19: Moved by Councillor King
That Council moves this meeting "In Camera" at 7:44 pm
CARRIED

Motion #278-19: Moved by Councillor Ferguson
That Council moved this meeting out of "In Camera" at 8:00 pm.
CARRIED

Adjournment:

Motion #279-19: Moved by Councillor Ferguson
That Council Adjourns the August 13, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting at 8:05 pm.
CARRIED



Tyler Warman, Mayor



Brian Vance, Chief Administrative Officer