

MINUTES
OF THE
PICTURE BUTTE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Tuesday, April 11th, 2023 AT 6:30 PM

PRESENT: Mayor C. Moore Deputy Mayor H. de Kok Councillor C. Papworth
Councillor T. Feist

ABSENT: Councillor S. Thomson

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Corporate Services – M. Overbeeke
Director of Operations – A. Benson
Administrative Assistant – C. Johnson

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moore called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

098 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Papworth that the agenda be approved as presented.
CARRIED

3.0 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Regular Council Meeting – March 27th, 2023

099 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Feist that the Regular Council Meeting minutes of
March 27th, 2023 be approved as presented.
CARRIED

4.0 PUBLIC HEARING – None for this meeting

5.0 DELEGATION

5.1 Rachael Thomas

Rachael Thomas asked Council if they had anything they wanted to ask, discuss, celebrate or any issues that she could lend a hand with. MP Thomas wanted to celebrate that the electoral boundaries will not be changed for the next 10 years, keeping Lethbridge County as a whole. Council discussed the wastewater lagoon project and the 35% of \$12-14 million that the Town will need to come up with. The rising RCMP costs were discussed and asked if this is a shift from the federal government to force the provinces to implement provincial police forces. Rachael didn't have any answers but will look into it. Councillor Feist asked about Bill C-11, something that MP Thomas has been campaigning for a lot. She went over the basics of the bill and why she felt so compelled to fight against it. She feels that with no clear terms of reference for what "Canadian content" is the government has too much control and it will lead to censorship and control of the CRTC. This is government overreach and can be seen in countries like North Korea, Iran and Russia. The state of Piyami Lodge was touched on. Green Acres has approached the provincial government and requested that they be allowed to run the facility themselves. They are still fighting to receive the renovations they so desperately need. Council discussed the doctors retiring soon. Rachael had some good ideas to promote the Town and bring in some new doctors from Lethbridge.

R. Thomas left the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

5.2 MWG - Hayden Wilde

Hayden Wilde went over the financial statements for 2022 with Council and the importance of having an audit completed. Mr. Wilde expressed that the Town is in a great position with revenues over and above expenses even with more long-term debt added in 2022. Michelle is doing a great job of keeping the accounts straight and which in turn keeps their job easy when it comes time for the audit.

H. Wilde left the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

6.0 REQUESTS FOR DECISION

6.1 Memorandum of Understanding- Reciprocal Business Licences

100 2304 11 MOVED by Deputy Mayor de Kok to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Reciprocal Business Licences as presented.
CARRIED

6.2 Community Centre Rental Fee Waiver Request

101 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Papworth to waive the Community Centre rental fee on June 10th, 2023 for the Chelsey West Memorial Phoenix Project.
CARRIED

6.3 2022 Audited Financial Statements

102 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Feist to approve the 2022 Audited Financial Statements as presented.
CARRIED

7.0 MAYOR'S REPORT

7.1 Mayor's Report

Mayor Moore advised Council on her recent activities:
April 5 Attended a FCSS All-Councils Event
April 11 Attended a Lethbridge Regional Waste Management and Services Commission meeting

103 2304 11 MOVED by Mayor Moore that the Mayor's Report be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

8.0 COUNCIL'S REPORT

8.1 Council's Report

Deputy Mayor de Kok advised Council of his recent activities:
March 30 Attended a SouthGrow Economic Development Forum

Councillor Feist advised Council of her recent activities:
April 5 Attended a FCSS All-Councils Event

Councillor Papworth advised Council of her recent activities:
March 29 Attended a Green Acres Board meeting
March 30 Attended a Webex Spring Seminar for Land and Property Rights Tribunal
April 5 Attended a FCSS All-Councils Event

104 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Papworth that the Council Reports be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

9.0 ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

9.1 CAO Report

105 2304 11 MOVED by Deputy Mayor de Kok to accept the CAO Report as presented.
CARRIED

9.1.1 Director of Operations Report

106 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Feist to accept the Director of Operations Report.
CARRIED

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Submission to Alberta Environment re: Lagoon upgrades from Henry Heinen

107 2304 11 MOVED by Deputy Mayor de Kok to receive and file the Submission to Alberta Environment re: Lagoon upgrades from Henry Heinen.
CARRIED

10.2 Green Acres Foundation – Report to the Community 2022

108 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Papworth to receive and file the Green Acres Foundation – Report to the Community 2022.
CARRIED

10.3 Alberta Municipal Affairs – Joint Use and Planning agreements deadline extension

109 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Feist to receive and file the Alberta Municipal Affairs – Joint Use and Planning agreements deadline extension.
CARRIED

10.4 Library Board Director resignation

110 2304 11 MOVED by Deputy Mayor de Kok to receive and file the Library Board Director resignation.
CARRIED

11.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

11.1 Town of Barrhead – Extended Producer responsibility program exemption

11.2 Lights on Afterschool Alberta

11.3 Hon. Nate Horner – Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation – Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership

111 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Feist to receive and file Informational Items 11.1-11.3.
CARRIED

12.0 CLOSED SESSION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for April 24th, 2023 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

112 2304 11 MOVED by Councillor Papworth that the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:58 p.m.
CARRIED

Mayor Moore

Keith Davis
Chief Administrative Officer