

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Wembley, in the Province of Alberta
held in the Wembley Municipal Office
this 28^h day of September 2020.**

1. CALL-TO-ORDER

Present: Mayor Turnmire called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
CAO Noreen Zhang
Councillor Peterson
Councillor McCallum
Councillor Gundersen
Councillor Johnson
Councillor Guimond
Councillor Underwood

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION # 2020-0270

Moved by Councillor McCallum Council approve the Agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held on September 14, 2020.

MOTION # 2020-0271

Moved by Councillor Gundersen Council adopt the minutes of the September 14, 2020 Council meeting as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 None

5. FINANCE

5.1 Accounts Payable

MOTION #2020-0272

Moved by Councillor Johnson Council ratify the accounts payable, as identified in Schedule "A", cheque #20200730 to cheque #20200776, totaling \$205,385.79.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 None

7. BYLAW

7.1 None

8. POLICIES

8.1 None

Initials

9. CAO REPORT

9.1 AUMA Sustainability Award

- The collaboration between Beaverlodge, Hythe, Sexsmith and Wembley to have an OH&S Program was a success, which earned the project an AUMA Sustainability Award.

9.2 Municipal Operating Support Transfer (MOST)

- The Government of Alberta and Government of Canada are providing funding to support municipalities during the COVID pandemic. The funding will be used for covering extra costs incurred by the pandemic as well as revenue lost. Administration will be researching how the funds should be utilized.

MOTION #2020-0273

Moved by Councillor Underwood Council authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign off on the Municipal Operating Support Transfer (MOST).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 Fall Clean Up 2020

- The clean up went well this time. The bins were properly utilized, and no issues were reported by residents or staff.

9.4 Intermunicipal Meeting Topics and Tentative Dates/Location

- The County of Grande Prairie is hosting the upcoming Intermunicipal Meeting in October and seeking topics Council wishes to bring forward.

9.5 RCMP Admin Position

- Discussions are currently being held with the County of Grande Prairie, Beaverlodge, Hythe and Horse Lake First Nation regarding the current agreement which expires in December 2020.

9.6 Meetings Attended

- Aquatera Shareholder Update – September 15, 2020
- AUMA Convention Viewing Party (September 24 – 25, 2020)
- CAO Meeting (September 25, 2020) re: Intermunicipal Meeting Topics

MOTION #2020-0274

Moved by Councillor Guimond Council accept the CAO's report as information

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. OLD BUSINESS

10.1 None

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.3 ATCO Gas – Franchise Fee

MOTION #2020-0275

Moved by Councillor Johnson Council maintain the current franchise fee rate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Initials

12. REPORTS

- 12.1 Audit Committee
- 12.2 Community Futures
- 12.3 FCSS Advisory Board
- 12.4 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership
- 12.5 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership Committee
- 12.6 Grande Prairie Regional Tourism
- 12.7 Grande Spirit Foundation
- 12.8 HR Committee
- 12.9 Helen E. Taylor Advisory School Council
- 12.10 ICF & IDP Steering Committee
- 12.11 Joint Grande Prairie Area Recreation Committee
- 12.12 Parks and Recreation

12.12.1 September 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Discussion around the feasibility of the current campground and upgrades needed versus elimination and rejuvenation of the green space was not taken lightly. After review of the former budgets and revenue generated from the seven-stall campground along with the costs associated with up grading from 15 amp to 30-amp power, fire pit replacements, new tables and sites floated. Noting also that there are two campgrounds within 15minutes of the location and the potential of a third just minutes away, corresponding with the low numbers of users. It is under the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation committee to dissolve the existing campground and follow through with the rejuvenation project benefiting our residents to a higher degree. Refer to Council.

MOTION #0276

MOVED by Councillor Peterson Council approve to move forward with the recommendation from Parks & Recreation to permanently close Sunset Lake Park and follow through with the rejuvenation project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 12.13 Peace Airshed Zone Association (PAZA)
- 12.14 Peace Library System Board
- 12.14.1 September 12, 2020 Meeting Highlights**
- 12.15 Public Works
- 12.15.1 September 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes**
- 12.16 West Grande Prairie County Regional Landfill
- 12.17 South Peace Physician Attraction & Retention Committee
- 12.18 Wapiti Area Synergy Group (WASP)
- 12.19 Wembley and District Agricultural Society
- 12.20 Wembley-Dimsdale-Saskatoon Lake Recreation Board
- 12.21 Wembley Public Library
- 12.22 911 and Emergency Services
- 12.23 Healthy Communities Committee

MOTION #2020-0277

Moved by Councillor Peterson Council accept the reports as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Initials

13. CORRESPONDENCE

13.1 None

14. COUNCIL REPORTS

14.1 Councillor Peterson reported that FCSS minutes will be ready for next Council meeting.

15. ROUND TABLE

CAO Zhang

- Attended the AUMA Convention Virtual Viewing in Grande Prairie with Councillor Underwood. Due to the pandemic the dynamics were a little subdued. Also working on completing projects and meeting deadlines.

Councillor Underwood

- Also attended the AUMA Convention Virtual Viewing in Grande Prairie and there were twenty to thirty people in attendance from local municipalities. Some interesting resolutions were also passed.
- Skeleton Crawl (Parks & Rec organizing) will be held on Friday, October 30, 2020.

Councillor Guimond

- Nothing to report.

Councillor McCallum

- Would like contact information for the Economic Development Departments in the County of Grande Prairie and the City of Grande Prairie. Sexsmith and Beaverlodge also have Economic Development Committees and would probably be able to help with setting up Terms of Reference for Wembley's new Economic Development Committee.

Councillor Johnson

- Nothing to report.

Councillor Gundersen

- The Ag Society hoping to hear from insurance company this coming week.

Councillor Peterson

- Queried if there had been any movement on the sale of the water treatment plants. Discussion centered on the alternative of shipping the treatment plants to Ritchie Bros. in Edmonton for their unreserved auction.

MOTION #2020-0278

Moved by Councillor Johnson Council engage Ritchie Bros. for their unreserved auction in Edmonton, at the end of October, for the sale of the two treatment plants and; if the intake is too late for Edmonton then they will be put in the unreserved auction in Grande Prairie in November.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Turnmire

- September 15, 2020, the Mayor and CAO attended Aquatera Shareholders Update and dinner.
- September 17, 2020, the Mayor and CAO met with Dave McRae, ISL, and were updated on the draft Land Use Bylaw.
- The MSI Stimulus Program application deadline is October 1, 2020.

Initials

- The Interim Alberta Police Advisory Board sent out a survey to Council to be completed by October 19, 2020. To give all Councillors the opportunity to take part in this survey, a time and date will be decided upon.

16. CLOSE SESSION

16.1 None

17. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #2020-0279

MOVED by Councillor Peterson the meeting be adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor – Chris Turnmire

CAO – Noreen Zhang