

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Wembley, in the Province of Alberta,
held in the Wembley Municipal Office
this 15th Day of October 2024.**

1. CALL-TO-ORDER

Present: Mayor Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
CAO Noreen Zhang
Councillor Berlasty
Councillor Ketchum (via Zoom)
Councillor Skinner
Councillor Baker (via Zoom)
Councillor Underwood

Regrets: Councillor Johnson

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION #2024-0247

Moved by Councillor Underwood Council approve the Agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held on September 23, 2024.

MOTION #2024-0248

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 23, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Beaverlodge RCMP Detachment - Stg. Kristopher Kyle

Sgt. Kyle was present to bring Council up to date on various projects and challenges the R.C.M.P. is facing staff wise. Discussion also centered on crimes being committed in the Town of Wembley.

4.2 Silver and Gold Pioneer Club of Wembley

Chris Turnmire, President, and Don Hawman, Vice President, were present to bring Council up to date on the Club's activities over the year and upcoming events. The Club would like to thank the Town of Wembley for its annual support of \$5,000 for operating expenses and snow removal and would ask for continued support going forward.

4.3 Wembley & District Agricultural Society

Justin Pede, Vice-President, and Eric Sundstrom, Director, were present to ask the Town of Wembley for continued support in snow removal and parking lot maintenance, grass cutting and trimming around the facility. Also asked for continued financial assistance with their mortgage, and continued interest and engagement with Board. Additional ask for 2025 budget is for a youth program staff of \$17,000 which will pay for the position for the entire year.

Initials

5. FINANCE

5.1 Revenue & Expenses and Bank Financials for September 2024

MOTION #2024-0249

Moved by Councillor Berlasty Council accept the Revenue & Expenses and Bank Financials for September 2024, for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. PUBLIC HEARING

7. BYLAWS

8. POLICIES

9. CAO REPORT

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant Application – Letter of Support County of Grande Prairie No.1

MOTION #2024-0250

Moved by Councillor Underwood Council direct Administration write a Letter of Support to the County of Grande Prairie No. 1 who are applying for the Alberta Community Partnership Grant Program to support the update of their Growth and Economic Development Strategy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. REPORTS

12.1 Audit Committee

12.2 Community Futures

12.3 Community and Protective Services Committee

12.3.1 Minutes October 9th, 2024 – Item 5 to be changed.

12.4 FCSS Advisory Board

12.5 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership

12.6 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership Committee

12.7 Grande Prairie Regional Recreation Committee

12.8 Grande Prairie Regional Tourism

12.9 Grande Spirit Foundation

12.10 HR Committee

12.11 Healthy Communities Committee

12.12 Helen E. Taylor Advisory School Council

12.13 ICF & IDP Steering Committee

12.14 Northern Alberta Elected Leaders

12.15 Parks and Recreation

12.16 Peace Airshed Zone Association (PAZA)

12.17 Peace Library System Board

12.18 South Peace Physician Attraction & Retention Committee

12.19 Wapiti Area Synergy Group (WASP)

Initials

- 12.20 Water North Coalition
- 12.21 Wembley and District Agricultural Society
- 12.22 Wembley-Dimsdale-Saskatoon Lake Recreation Board
- 12.23 Wembley Elementary School
- 12.24 Wembley Public Library
- 12.25 West Grande Prairie County Regional Landfill
- 12.26 911 and Emergency Service
- 12.27 Bylaw Enforcement Services
 - 12.27.1 County of Grande Prairie Bylaw Enforcement September 2024 Report**
- 12.28 Beaverlodge RCMP Detachment
 - 12.28.1 RCMP Wembley Occurrences September 2024**

MOTION #2024-0251

Moved by Councillor Underwood Council accept the Committee reports, with the changes to section no.5 on the Community and Protective Services Committee minutes to include new stop signs at 101 Street, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. CORRESPONDENCE

- 13.1 Early Explorers Child Development Centre Sponsorship Opportunities and Fundraising Initiatives
- 13.2 Town Council's Christmas Card Contest with entry information.
- 13.3 Christmas Lights Contest December 2024

MOTION #2024-0252

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council accept correspondence as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

15. COUNCIL REPORTS

16. ROUND TABLE

- Councillor Skinner
Nothing to report.
- Councillor Underwood
Attended Alberta Municipalities Convention and received the Award of Excellence for civic leadership. ESS resolution was also passed.
- Councillor Ketchum
Spent an entire day at Evergreen Park where the Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association was holding agricultural and culinary tourism training. Found it to be very interesting and beneficial for the area in the future.
- Councillor Baker
Nothing to report.
- Councillor Berlasty
Nothing to report.
- CAO Zhang
Working on budget.

Initials

- Mayor Peterson
Nothing to report.

17. CLOSED SESSION

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #2024-0253

M0ved by Councillor Berlasty Council adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor – Kelly Peterson

CAO – Noreen Zhang

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