



**TOWN OF HINTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
May 6, 2014**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Rob Mackin, Councillors Dale Currie, Ryan Maguhn, Marcel Michaels, Stuart Taylor, Glen Barrow, Matthew Young

**ABSENT:** N/A

**SECRETARY:** Lil Wallace - Executive Assistant

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bernie Kreiner - Town Manager  
Rhonda West - Legislative & Administrative Services Coordinator  
Denise Parent - Director of Corporate Services

**ORDER**

Mayor Rob Mackin called the Regular Council meeting to order. The time was 5:00 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mayor Mackin advised there is an additional delegation (swearing in the new bylaw enforcement officer) and this is added to the agenda.

**R. MACKIN - That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting held May 6, 2014 be adopted as amended.**

**Carried**

**CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"**

Geke Duncan, with the MS Society, spoke to council and advised she is happy with the services that Hinton provides, including the handi-bus service, which provides quality of life for residents who use it. She indicated she wanted council to see the faces of some of the people who use the service, and then introduced a few audience members and spoke to why and how each of them uses it. She urged council to continue with this service when getting the new bus, and wanted council to entertain the idea of also providing bus service on the weekends, (for going to church, etc.). Council was told quality of life is the most important aspect of someone's life, and the handi-bus service contributes to that quality of life.

The Mayor advised the audience that as a council they are committed to providing a service to the community. A survey was sent out last month and at next week's Standing Committee meeting the results of that survey will be summarized for council's review. The Mayor then thanked them all for coming to the council meeting.

**DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Ryan Alice - Sworn in as Bylaw Officer**

Rhonda West, a Commissioner for Oaths, administered the Oath of Office to Ryan West and he was sworn in as the new Bylaw Officer for Hinton. Mr. Alice came from Athabasca to Hinton, and he replaces Bev Bentley who retired recently. Council was informed that once the oath has been administered, Mr. Alice will be able to start his duties.

**2. Fohn Festival - Presented by Morgan Roberts, Chairperson**

  
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Morgan Roberts, presented a short video showcasing the Fohn Festival and then gave a presentation (a copy of which was included in the agenda package). She reminded council that the Fohn Festival is Hinton's signature event. During her presentation, she advised the committee is asking council for an additional one-time funding of \$10,000. She further explained they have enough funds to complete the festival this year, but that would leave them with no funds. She stated that with a new board they are rebuilding.

Councillor Marcel Michaels acknowledged that he is a board member and that he had spoken to a lawyer who advised him it is his duty to act as a councillor on this matter and not a board member. He further advised that since this is a non-profit organization and he is not being paid, he does not have a pecuniary interest.

Council was advised that the application form for vendors is available on their website and anyone interested can submit an application. The board then reviews all applications. Council members stated they had been informed that local restaurants have a hard time getting accepted as vendors. Ms. Roberts stated she can't speak to the past but going forward she said the board will entertain all applications; she also reminded Council the applications should have a cultural flair as it is a multi-culture festival.

The Mayor stated perhaps the town could assist with other items (stages, etc.) and enquired about the costs. Ms. Roberts did not have the budget information available at the meeting but was willing to sit down and/or provide it to council if they wanted.

Councillor Maguhn questioned if it was relationship issues that caused the board's massive turnover or was it volunteer exhaustion. Ms. Roberts stated she wasn't involved at that time but thinks some of the board members were also involved in other organizations.

**S. TAYLOR –To direct Administration to provide council with information on the community needs for asset inventory to support events overall, including costs.**

**Carried**

Administration advised the asset inventory will take time to put together and it could not be completed in time to support this group for their event this year.

Council was told the Fohn Festival uses 20x10 tents plus 10x10 pop-ups for cooking requirements in between each of those tents. The vendors pay \$150 to use the tents but the actual tent rental is \$450. The board is not able to charge more than \$150 or they don't get the vendors. June 1, 2014 is the vendors' application deadline.

Council was told the tent rental deposit (which is ½ the cost of the rentals) has to be done right away. The tent rentals cost approximately \$18,000.

The Mayor thanked Ms. Roberts for coming and mentioned he would like to speak to her further about some ideas he has for cost solutions.

### **COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

1. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes - April 15, 2014
2. Public Hearing Minutes of CSR Disposal re 234 Baker Street - April 15, 2014
3. Public Hearing Minutes of Land Use Bylaw 960-52 re 234 Baker Street - April 15, 2014

  
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Councillor Stuart Taylor asked that the minutes be separated into two sections for approval: #1 separate from #2 and #3.

**D. CURRIE - That the Regular Meeting of Council Minutes - April 15, 2014 be approved as presented.**

**Carried**

Councillor Taylor then stated that since he had previously legally removed himself for the public hearings, he would be removing himself from voting on minutes #2 and #3. He then left the room and the time was 5:54 p.m.

Council questioned if this was correct procedure and Administration advised that Councillor Taylor is correct not to vote on this item since he had previously legally removed himself. Councillor Currie questioned if he should also remove himself since he was not in attendance at the public hearing and Administration advised he didn't need to as his situation was different than Councillor Taylor's.

**G. BARROW - That both sets of Public Hearing Minutes - April 15, 2014 be approved as presented.**

**Carried**

Councillor Taylor then came back into the room and rejoined the meeting. The time was 5:56 pm. Mayor Mackin left the room 5:57 pm as he was not feeling well. Deputy Mayor Glen Barrow took over chairing the meeting. The Mayor then returned at 5:59 p.m.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

***Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for May 6, 2014 for detailed background information on these decisions.***

#### **1. Erith Park Rehabilitation Recommendation**

**R. MAGUHN - That line item #33 (Erith Park Rehabilitation) be removed from the 2014 Capital Budget.**

**Carried**

#### **2. 2017 Alberta 55 Plus Winter Games Bid Invitation**

Council thanked Administration for providing this information since they are a new council and did not have the background information. Councillor Michaels enquired if there has there been an affiliation with Yellowhead County as he did not see them included. Administration advised in order to host an event of this magnitude we require the assistance of our neighbors, both for the infrastructure and manpower but Yellowhead County doesn't have the sort of infrastructure required. It was decided this be added as a topic to the next inter-municipal committee meeting to discuss.

**D. CURRIE - That this report be accepted as information.**

**Carried**

  
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**3. Sale of Innovista Phase II - Presented by Bernie Kreiner**

**R. MAGUHN - That Council approve entering into a sales agreement with Trader Properties Inc. to purchase Phase II of Innovista from the Town at a price and terms/conditions as circulated confidentially to Town council.**

**Carried**

**D. CURRIE - That Council direct the net proceeds from this land sale to be put into “future land development reserve”.**

**Carried**

**4. CEAC / Council Collaborative Community Engagement Model**

Councillors felt a meeting with CEAC should be held to engage discussion on the mandate of CEAC and how it fits with council's strategic plan.

**S. TAYLOR - That the mandate of CEAC, bylaw 1070-2 be discussed in a joint CEAC/Council meeting and then bring back to council.**

**Carried**

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Council Information Package #1 - previously circulated April 16, 2014
2. Council Information Package #2 - previously circulated April 23, 2014
3. Council Information Package #3 - previously circulated April 30, 2014

**G. BARROW - That Council Information Packages #1, # 2, and #3 be accepted for information.**

**Carried**

**REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, TOWN MANAGER**

**1. Council Reporting (Training/Conferences/CEAC, Listening Teams, All Other Committees)**

**Councillor Marcel Michaels reported:**

- councillors had a meeting with the Grande Cache council; great to talk to each other; realized collaborations and synergies; should sit down with Edson and Jasper councils also;
- met with Associate Minister of Persons with Disabilities, MLA Robin Campbell was also in attendance;

**Councillor Glen Barrow reported:**

- on April 28 he brought greetings as Deputy Mayor to the Day of Mourning for Workers Killed or Injured on the Job; this is an important event and one that is dear to his heart; well organized; thank you to the town for lowering the flags on that day;
- attended Fire Chief Peter Ensor's going-away party
- has not seen any response to Wilf Kwasny's letter yet; he was advised the response is in Council Information Package #3 distributed April 30, 2014.

**Councillor Ryan Maguhn reported:**

- he attended a tour of the Hinton Training Centre on Apr. 29; went through facility; very informative;
- also met with the Associate Minister; excellent meeting advocating for those people with accessibility issues in our region;

  
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- came into some information in the last 24 hours; 2 days homes in our community that are subsidized are being shut down because Edson West View will no longer logistically support them; dayhome can only be subsidized if accrediting institute accredits them, otherwise they lose the funding; there is a shortage of space in day homes in Hinton; the political ramifications if a person is from marginalized family, you could have to turn your child onto the street because can't afford it; concerned for them; will look into it and report back further to council; wanted them to be aware of this.

**Mayor Rob Mackin reported:**

- had a busy couple of weeks; Chamber of Commerce had their AGM; attended Chamber's "hot seat" session with Rob Merrifield, Robin Campbell, and himself listening to concerns of the citizens;
- had a chance to meet with Mr. Merrifield just prior to the Chamber event to discuss temporary foreign workers; he has been told there will be news in a few weeks, not months;
- met with the GPRC board for a meeting;
- brought greetings at the "Show Us Your Heart" event put on by Shoppers Drug Mart to raise funds to purchase a fetal heart monitor;
- attended the Creative Playschool magician show and was cut in half twice; great event.

**Councillor Dale Currie reported:**

- also went to Grande Cache and met with council; toured their new pool facility; discussed the difficulties their council had in raising money and where they are today is not a good situation for Grande Cache; they discussed what they would have done differently; our council received good information to keep in mind when considering our pool situation;
- visited Christianson Homes for seniors in Edmonton last week; their model is geared towards medium class people; put money into their development and then you pay less rent;
- attended Peter Ensor's going away party; sorry to see him leave.

**Councillor Stuart Taylor reported:**

- attended with GPRC Board for their breakfast meeting and discussed GPRC moving to Hinton Training Centre, seems like a natural fit for GPRC to grow;
- also attended the meeting with Grande Cache council and came back with three messages that stuck for him: keep expectations realistic; need project manager; plebiscite is important;
- went to fire chief's farewell; nice to see the young people there.
- went to the Chamber event, and great to hear Robin Campbell's suggestions to make this town better.

**Councillor Matthew Young reported:**

- also met with MP Rob Merrifield; waiting to see how it pans out with temporary foreign worker program; this is a regional issue in the Yellowhead area;
- attended the Hinton Training Centre tour; played with water bomber simulators;
- attended the Chamber meeting at Griffiths Ford and this was amazing; nice mixing with community as a whole (business and residents) would like to see again;
- went on Christianson tour, good model for middle to higher end; rode the elevator and talked to residents while doing that and got good feedback from them.

**2. Town Manager Report**

**Town Manager Bernie Kreiner reported:**

- learned at the meeting with Grande Cache council that they have a community bus that comes to Hinton every last Thursday of every month; comes from Grande Cache in the morning and leaves Hinton at 3:00 pm to return to Grande Cache;
- the update on the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw is moving forward at a strong pace; Pario Plan engaged to complete this by the end of October; meetings with stakeholders later this month; public engagement through May and June; drafting the new documents over the summer; more formal review process in the fall; this is the "bible" on land matters.

**MOVE IN CAMERA**

**M. MICHAELS - That the Regular Council meeting move in camera.**

**Carried**

The time was 7:06 p.m.

**M. MICHAELS - That Regular Council meeting revert to regular session.**

**Carried**

The time was 7:29 p.m.

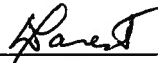
**ADJOURNMENT**

**M. YOUNG - That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.**

**Carried**

The time was 7:30 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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Director of Corporate Services

  
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