



TOWN OF HINTON

Minutes of the Standing Committee Meeting
held October 11, 2016
Committee Room

Present:

Mayor Rob Mackin, Councillors Glen Barrow, Ryan Maguhn, Marcel Michaels, Albert Ostashek, Stuart Taylor, Matthew Young

Also in Attendance:

Mike Schwartz, Chief Administrative Officer, Denise Parent, Director of Corporate Services, Laura Howarth, Director of Community Services, Wendy Jones, Director of Planning & Development, Gordie Lee, Director of Infrastructure Services, Rhonda West, Legislative & Executive Assistant

Refer to the Standing Committee Meeting Agenda package for [October 11, 2016](#) for detailed background information.

ORDER

Deputy Mayor Young called the Standing Committee meeting to order. The time was 4:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There was consensus that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"

Britni Brady, Regional Development Manager, of Junior Achievement Northern Alberta and Northwest Territories, spoke to Council about the non-profit organization. Junior Achievement offers free programs to school done in school and after school and stated that the organization is looking for local volunteers.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Hinton Geothermal District Energy (HGDE), Pre-Feed Study

Lisa Mueller, President and CEO of Epoch Energy was in attendance. Jim Goldmann, Vice-President, Business Development and Operations, called into the Standing Committee.

There was consensus that Council direct Administration to provide \$225,000 from the Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) reserve to fund the Pre-FEED study to determine the feasibility of the Hinton Geothermal District Energy Project (HGDE).

2. Council Procedure Bylaw #1060

There was consensus to forward the proposed amendment to Section 27 – Administrative Inquiries – to the Regular Meeting of Council on October 18, 2016 with the following amendments:


Initial

Section 27 (4) An information request from a Councillor where the Chief Administrative Officer determines that the request has a significant budgetary, resource and/or policy impact requires a resolution of council to approve before any work is initiated.

Section 27 (1) An information request may be made via email but will be entered into the public record of the next regular council meeting. This request will include the reasoning behind the information request.

There was consensus to direct administration to request a legal review of amended bylaw #1060 (Section 27 only).

There was consensus to direct Administration to amend Section 7(1) to reflect a change in the requirement of a council resolution to cancel a council meeting.

3. Pre-Organizational Meeting Items

There was consensus to forward the proposed council meeting dates/times and council representation on boards & committees to the Organizational Meeting of Council on October 18, 2016.

4. Citizen Engagement Budget (Overview)

There was consensus to accept the report for information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Urgent Matters from Council
2. Chief Administrative Officer Status Report
3. Legislative and Executive Assistant Logistics Information

There was consensus that Town Council be provided the opportunity to review In Camera the ISL agreement including appendices within two weeks.

MICHAELS – That Council extend the time for the meeting past 3 hours.

CARRIED

There was consensus to direct Administration to explore options with respect to upgraded or enhanced Christmas tree lighting in Green Square.

There was consensus that Council direct Administration to bring a report to the November 22, 2016 Standing Committee meeting with respect to a discussion on the potential of establishing a social media presence for the Town of Hinton.

MOVE IN CAMERA

MICHAELS - That the Standing Committee meeting move in camera.

CARRIED

The time was 6:58 p.m.


Initial

TAYLOR - That Standing Committee meeting revert to regular session.

CARRIED

The time was 7:02 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

BARROW - That the Standing Committee meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

The time was 7:03 p.m.


Deputy Mayor


Director of Corporate Services