



**TOWN OF HINTON  
Regular Council Meeting  
March 5, 2013**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Ian Duncan, Councillors Bill Bulger, Jane Macridis, Janice Callihoo, Lorraine Johnston-MacKay, Ryan Maguhn

**ABSENT:** Councillor Dale Currie

**SECRETARY:** Lil Wallace - Executive Assistant

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

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**ORDER**

Mayor Ian Duncan called the Regular Council meeting to order. The time was 6:31 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**J. CALLIHOO – That the Agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of Council held March 5, 2013 be adopted as presented.**

**Carried**

**CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"**

No one came forward wishing to speak to Council.

**DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Fire Department Ceremony:**

Fire Chief Peter Ensor invited Mayor Duncan to present the 12-year Alberta Service Medal to Captain John Salmas as MLA Robin Campbell was unable to attend. The Mayor read Mr. Campbell's message to the audience. The Mayor also then participated in the fire department's promotional ceremony by administering the oath of service to Guy Ouellette who was promoted to Lieutenant. Fire Chief Ensor then presented the member with his regalia, and called upon Mr. Ouellette's wife to assist in putting them on his collar. Padre Bill Bulger then gave his blessing to Mr. Ouellette.

**2. Hinton Mountain Bike Association - Presented by Jan Vassbotn, Mike Jodoin, and Jay Hoots**

Mr. Vassbotn, Mr. Jodoin, and Mr. Hoots came to council to give a 5-year update on the Hinton Mountain Bike Association's activities and progress since the club started in 2007. They thanked Council and the community for making Hinton a mountain biking destination. Membership has increased steadily since 2007.

  
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Mr. Hoots told Council the trails are easy to get to and the location between Jasper and Edson, with Edmonton and service area so close, makes it an ideal area for tourists to come to. He suggested that the business community needs to recognize the potential for revenue and become a little more accommodating, ie. bike racks in front of their business, etc. The culture needs to be developed more and he feels the tourists will then come in droves.

Mr. Jodoin advises some of the issues are getting volunteers to help, looking to partner with businesses or government agencies to continue to develop the park. ATV's are doing some damage to the trails, and this continues to be an education issue, lots of financial resources goes towards repairing the damage done. The Town of Hinton does not have a local bike shop for repairs and parts and this would be a great asset.

June 15 and 16 are the dates for the annual Beaver Bikefest this year. For more information visit their website ([www.bikehinton.com](http://www.bikehinton.com)). The annual general meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2013 and memberships will be available at that time. Information is also available on their Facebook page.

Sandra Pelly, another mountain bike enthusiast, suggested the Town promote the bike park and club on their website.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **1. Public Hearing Agenda - Bylaw Amendments 940-10, 721-10, and 955-3**

See the March 5, 2013 Public Hearing Minutes for details.

### **COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

1. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes - February 19, 2013

**B. BULGER – That the Regular Meeting of Council Minutes dated February 19, 2013 be approved as presented.**

Carried

### **ACTION ITEMS**

***Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for 05 Mar 2013 for detailed background information on these decisions.***

#### **1. Bylaw Amendments 940-10, 721-10, and 955-3**

**B. BULGER- That Council give Bylaw 940-10 Second Reading.**

Carried

**J. MACRIDIS- That Council give Bylaw 940-10 Third Reading.**

Carried

**L. JOHNSTON-  
MACKAY That Council give Bylaw 721-10 Second Reading.**

Carried

  
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**J. CALLIHOO- That Council give Bylaw 721-10 Third Reading.** **Carried**

**B. BULGER- That Council give Bylaw 955-3 Second Reading.** **Carried**

**J. CALLIHOO- That Council give Bylaw 955-3 Third Reading.** **Carried**

**2. 2013 Municipal Election**

**R. MAGUHN- That Council appoint Denise Parent, Director of Corporate Services, as the Returning Officer for the Town of Hinton for the purpose of conducting elections under the Local Authorities Election Act;** **Carried**

**B. BULGER- That the holding of an advance vote on any vote held in an election for the Town of Hinton be authorized.** **Carried**

**L. JOHNSTON- That provision be made for incapacitated electors who are unable to attend at an advance voting station in all municipal elections (unless MACKAY amended/rescinded);** **Carried**

**J. MACRIDIS- That Council give Bylaw #1081 first reading.** **Carried**

**J. CALLIHOO- That Council give Bylaw #1081 second reading.** **Carried**

**R. MAGUHN- That Council give Bylaw #1081 unanimous consent for third and final reading.** **Carried**

**B. BULGER - That Council give Bylaw #1081 third and final reading.** **Carried**

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Council Information Package #1 - previously circulated February 21, 2013
2. Council Information Package #2 - previously circulated February 28, 2013

Councillor L. Johnston-MacKay wanted to bring to the public's attention in package #2 the new Alberta Transportation road reports service which replaces the Alberta Motor Association

  
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("AMA") Road Reports. Go to their website [www.511.alberta.ca](http://www.511.alberta.ca) or phone 511 for the latest road reports.

Councillor J. Macridis wanted to bring to the public's attention in package #2 the library's annual report speaks to what the library has completed in the last year; this report is submitted to the Alberta government.

Mayor Duncan mentioned the Rowan Street recycling station is growing; new bins for collection of small rechargeable and alkaline batteries, print cartridges and non-paint household aerosol spray cans (along with fire extinguishers and small propane canisters) were put into place on February 1, 2013; new plastics trailer also; the Town has secured \$19,000 to purchase 11 new bear-proof outdoor beverage container bins. Thank you to administration for continuing to obtain grants to further the recycle, reduce and reuse strategies.

Mayor Duncan referred to the Save Our Medevac Service Society letter in package #2 indicating the medevac services are being moved from the Edmonton city centre airport to the international airport; Premier Redford sent news release today commenting out how care will be handled at the international airport beginning March 15.

Jane – attended telephone town hall meeting respecting the medevac services; fair bit of info given about projects and what is being done in preparation for this change in airports; Grande Prairie hospital is undergoing extensive renovations and expansion to provide more medical services to northern Alberta; upgrading of Villeneuve airport also to take in northern flights.

**B. BULGER - That Council Information Packages #1 and # 2 be received as information.**  
**Carried**

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

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

#### **Councillor Bill Bulger reported:**

- Attended Arts on Fire; wonderful event; kudos to Creative Campus and all the organizers;

#### **Councillor Jane Macridis reported:**

- Brought greetings from the Town to the Growing Great Kids workshop; the public information package on early childhood development was released; next public meeting is March 7, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the Guild upper level, child friendly meeting; parents welcome to attend;
- Spring break coming; library has lots of activities planned;
- West Yellowhead Regional Waste Management Authority includes Edson, Yellowhead County and Hinton; expanding mandate of authority; meeting at end of April; regional logo being developed for West Central Alberta; Jasper also sitting in and having input; looking at mission and vision statements; reducing ecological footprint as included in the Community Sustainability Plan;

  
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- Post-secondary education meeting in early May; will be reviewing Grande Prairie Regional College business plan that will be presented to the government;
- Next Sunday (March 10, 2013) the clocks spring ahead.

**Councillor Ryan Maguhn reported:**

- Thanks to the Bridges trivia night organizers;
- Hinton Policing Committee meeting on 14<sup>th</sup>; would like to invite the public to participate by emailing him to bring concerns to the committee;
- Considering weather we had on the weekend and large amount of snowfall, he passed along thanks to Public Works and Infrastructure Services to keep our streets clean and useable; their hard work doesn't go unnoticed;
- Will be out of the country from March 22 to April 1.

**Councillor Lorraine Johnston-MacKay reported:**

- Agreed with Councillor Bulger regarding his comments on Arts on Fire; fabulous evening;
- Feb. 21 participated in the Community Futures West Yellowhead workshop; lots of dialogue from participants;
- Attended the West Yellowhead Regional Landfill Management Authority meeting also; great to see the recycling program and that is a regional program;
- Attended Forest Resource Advisory Group meeting; riparian document in planning stages; West Fraser working with this group to develop this;
- Attended the Mary Reimer Park board meeting last night; discussions with the River Valley Riding Association who are applying for a grant for multi-use facility;

**Mayor Ian Duncan reported:**

- March 7 he will be attending the legislature; invited by R Campbell to sit in on the delivery of budget and question & answer period;
- March 12 he will be travelling to Yellowhead County's office to sign the revenue sharing agreement and the recreation facilities useage agreement along with the Mayors of Edson and Yellowhead County.

**2. Town Manager Report**

**Town Manager Bernie Kreiner reported:**

- Working on later stages of air services study exploring viability to have regular flights at the Edson airport; potential services would be Edson to Vancouver, Calgary and Toronto; having meetings with the airlines including Air Canada and West Jet and a couple other potential carriers to see if any interest in doing this; would require exploration of and better understanding of Edson airport infrastructure and what would be required (baggage handling, security, etc.);
- Water reservoir had serious vandalism some time between February 15 and March 1; tried to access the top of the reservoir and cut a hole into the top; water quality was tested before returned the reservoir into active service; police are investigating now; no indication as to the reasons for breaking in; if someone knows anything about this contact the RCMP;
- Funding announcement soon on arena boards replacement program;

  
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- Will be away Thursday, March 7 at noon to Monday, March 18; Jean Anne Fraser will be Acting Town Manager during his absence;
- CSP outcomes and measures consultant has been selected; Whistler Centre for Sustainability was chosen;

At this time Councillor Jane Macridis mentioned the change in date and time for the Standing Committee that was schedule for March 12; now scheduled for March 18 at 9:00 to 11:30 am to let the public know.

**MOVE IN CAMERA**

**L. JOHNSTON-MACKAY - That the Regular Meeting of Council move in camera.**

**Carried**

The time was 8:25 p.m. The mayor called a short recess until 8:40 p.m.

**L. JOHNSTON-MACKAY- That the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene.**

**Carried**

The time was 9:10 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**J. CALLIHOO - That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.**

**Carried**

The time was 9:11 p.m.



Mayor



Director of Corporate Services

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