

Town of Lamont
March 12, 2019
Regular Meeting of Council

Town Council Chambers

PRESENT: Bill Skinner Mayor
Jody Foulds Councillor
Kirk Perrin Councillor
Al Harvey Councillor
Perry Koroluk Councillor
Doug Pewarchuk Councillor

Christine Beveridge Chief Administrative Officer
Cyndi Reid Recording Secretary

ABSENT: David Taylor Councillor

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Skinner: called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF
AGENDA:**

MOTION: 29/19 Councillor Harvey: that the agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

**DECLARATION OF
PECUNIARY
INTEREST:**

Mayor Skinner declared pecuniary interest on item #10(b).

CLOSED SESSION:None.

DELEGATION: None.

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES:**

a) **Regular Meeting of Council – February 26, 2019**

MOTION: 30/19 Councillor Foulds: that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held February 26, 2019 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

FINANCE: a) **Monthly Financial Summary – February 2019**

BYLAW: a) **Assessment Review Board Bylaw 02/19**

MOTION: 31/19 Councillor Perrin: that Town Council give first reading to Bylaw 02/19.

CARRIED

MOTION: 32/19 Councillor Harvey: that Town Council give second reading to Bylaw 02/19.

CARRIED

MOTION: 33/19 Councillor Koroluk: that Town Council provide unanimous consent to proceed to third reading of Bylaw 02/19.

CARRIED

MOTION: 34/19 Councillor Pewarchuk: that Town Council give third reading to Bylaw 02/19.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Municipal Affairs regarding MSI
- b) Lamont Health Care Board Meeting – January 11, 2019
- c) Lamont Housing Foundation Board Meeting – January 28, 2019
- d) FCSS – Volunteer Appreciation Events Invitation

BUSINESS: a) **RFD – Banking Designation**

MOTION: 35/19 Councillor Pewarchuk: that Council approve Servus Credit Union - Lamont located at 4707 – 51 Street, Lamont and ATB Financial located at 5130 – 50 Avenue, Lamont to be the designated financial institutions for the Town of Lamont.

CARRIED

Mayor Skinner declared a pecuniary interest and passed the chair to Councillor Foulds at 7:43 p.m.

b) RFD – Council Compensation

MOTION: 36/19 Councillor Harvey: approve an increase of \$600.00 for the Mayor's remuneration to accommodate the elimination of the 1/3 tax exemption effective January 1, 2019.

CARRIED

Mayor Skinner returned to Council Chambers at 7:45 p.m. and resumed as chair.

c) RFD – Resource Communities of Canada Coalition Request

MOTION: 37/19 Councillor Pewarchuk: motion to postpone consideration of the Resource Communities of Canada Coalition item to the March 26, 2019, regular Council Meeting to allow Administration to provide further information.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM CLOSED
SESSION:** None.

**STAFF AND COUNCIL
REPORTS:**

CAO: For the period ending: February 28, 2019

Highlights:

- Met with Ian Fox, Alberta Emergency Management Agency to review the new legislated requirements.
- Met with IDP Committee to review draft IDP
- Auditors were in the office -February 12-14
- Commenced the coordination of the Strategic Planning session with consultant
- Toured the Beaverhill Pioneer Lodge
- Attended Brownlee LLP -Emerging Trends Law Session -February 14
- Attended Reynolds Mirth Richards Farmer Legal Session- February 15
- Negotiated a CN Lease for an easement along railway bordering the Town. Was successful in reducing the annual lease from \$5,000 to \$2,500.
- Met with representatives from AUMA to gain understanding of how the AUMA supports the municipality.

Upcoming month:

- Continued review of the bylaws, policies and agreements in place.
- Review of organizational compliance with the Municipal Government Act.
- Commenced the coordination of the Strategic Planning session with consultant.
- Away March 18-22

Department: Recreation for the period ending: February 28, 2019

Accomplished last month:

- Painted tables meeting room
- Had to replace two exit lights in the compressor room
- All Pepsi equipment serviced
- Furnace filters all changed out
- New ceiling tiles in the hall kitchen and all the walls -painted
- Our condenser outside is still leaking not much we can do about it. While at the Dow Centennial Centre on Saturday, I look at their condenser, it also was leaking just as bad as ours.
- We had twelve events in the meeting room in Feb, and no events in the hall

Department: Public Works for the period ending, March 5, 2019.

Accomplished for February:

- Installed over 90 wireless complete smart water meters this winter.
- Snow clearing throughout town. Removed snow 2 times off 50 Ave. and 51 St. Streets and alleys grading and scarifying on regular basis as needed.
- Annual Town Water and Waste Water report into Alberta Environment and Canada Waste Water release completed.

Working on now:

- Some summer and regular equipment serviced. Mostly 4 Parks riding units left to service and repair.



- Received 102 smart water meters. Continue to replace meter bodies and recalled smart heads.
- Hotsy serviced and mounted on one-ton truck. Preparing for spring thaw and run off. Exposing storm sewer grating covers.

Working on next:

- Purchase or fabricate mounting brackets for decorative street markers on 50 Ave. for installing.
- Fabricate lower rods with pole mounts to secure bottom of decorative banners on green street lights along 50 Ave.
- Pull metal rebar rods at Town Hall from Town Light-up and markers on trails at Hillside Park.

Councillor Pewarchuk:

- Nothing to report.

Councillor Koroluk:

- Nothing to report.

Councillor Harvey:

- March 2 - Attended Library Meeting
Discussed MLS – Master Library Service, may need funding in the future.

Councillor Perrin:

- Nothing to report.

Councillor Foulds:

- Nothing to report.

Mayor Skinner:

- March 9 – Attended the Bruderheim Mayor’s Supper event. This event was used to communicate the grants they had been successful in acquiring and to have representatives present large cheques and have a photo op. The event was well attended by elected officials and business representatives from the region. Being an election year, numerous Provincial party members were in attendance to take advantage of the networking opportunities. The guest speaker was MP Shannon Stubbs. She outlined numerous issues she had championed for the region during this elected term.
- March 10 – Attended the “Hayin in the 30’s” event at St. Michael Hall. This event was very well attended again this year. Both the silent auction and the live auction appeared to do well to bring in funds to support families with members battling cancer. A personal observation: I think the Town of Lamont would get better recognition for our support by presenting a cheque at the event as opposed to providing an item for the auction each year.
- March 11 – Attended a Lamont County Housing Foundation Lodge Manager’s meeting in Lamont. Discussed numerous operational items and policies including smoking and resident parking policies. We had one staff member retire after 33 years of service and our Lamont lodge manager has submitted her resignation and her retirement is upcoming.

ACTION REGISTER: No additions.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Skinner adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer

