

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
FOR THE VILLAGE OF HAY LAKES IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.
IN THE HAY LAKES VILLAGE RECREATION CENTRE

PRESENT: Mayor Ron These; Deputy Mayor Clifford Heinz; Councillor Paige Berkholtz; Councillor Levi Blanchard and Councillor Paul Patterson

MUNICIPAL RECORDER: CAO, K. Shannon Yearwood

PUBLIC PRESENT: Bill These; Faye Leicht; Karie Korycki-Mearon; Debbie Noel; Bev Candelford; Trevor Baker; Phil Landry; Sheila Banack; Cathy Marusak; and Richard Linnell arrived before Mayor These called the meeting to order.

CALL TO ORDER: The Meeting was called to order by Mayor These at 7:00 p.m.

RES 096-2022: **AGENDA:** Councillor Patterson moved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

RESIDENTS COMPLAINT REGARDING THE MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF GREEN

SPACE ON 3RD AVENUE SOUTH: On Friday, June 10th an email complaint was received regarding the resolution made on May 16. At that time, Councillor Patterson put forward Resolution #090-2022 that would stop the mowing of this area as it is still zoned agricultural. The residents present presented Council with a petition with a total of thirty-five (35) signatures. Residents also discussed various issues that they could see arising if this resolution stood. Council listened to the resident's concerns and have asked that this issue be placed back on the agenda for the June 20th Regular Meeting of Council for further consideration. Administration will be speaking further to the Director of Planning and Development for the County of Camrose to get advice on the proper procedure needed to move the redistricting of the land directly south of the Village being, Lot 5, Block 17, Plan 092 7914. This would be to redistrict the land north of the drainage ditch as Parks and Recreation, and the area directly south of the drainage ditch as Light Industrial/Commercial. The other area that would be put forward for consideration of redistricting is the piece of land directly southeast of Main Street and legally described as SE6 49-21-4 from agricultural to residential.

Residents Faye Leicht; Karie Korychi-Mearon; Debbie Noel; Bev Candelford; Phil Landry; Sheila Banack; and Richard Linnell all left the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 16, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

The Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, May 16, 2022, having been circulated and discussed were put forward for adoption.

RES 097-2022: Mayor These moved to have the Council Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, May 16, 2022, adopted as amended.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 30, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL:

The Minutes from the Special Meeting of Council held on Monday, May 30, 2022, having been circulated and discussed were put forward for adoption.

RES 098-2022: Mayor These moved to have the Council Minutes from the Special Meeting held on Monday, May 30, 2022, adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Maureen Eelhart joined the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

BUSINESS:

BUDGET 2022:

Administration first discussed the total summary of the Budget 2022 and the reasoning used behind separating the Capital and Operational Budgets. Members of the audience were given the opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions. Administration and Council discussed each budget separately and the totality of the combined budgets.

BUDGET 2022 – CAPITAL BUDGET:

Administration explained that the Capital Budget is a restricted budget meaning that the funds from any provincial or federal grants are only to be used for Capital Projects. The operational Budget is the budget that the millrate is calculated from and this is the budget that the day-to-day operations of the Village are drawn from. Administration also explained that the millrate has gone down from last year because the total assessment of the Village has gone up by twelve (12) million dollars administration tried to strike a balance by lowering the residential millrate and raising the commercial millrate. The Village will be collecting more in taxes this year than was collected last year but there will not be strain originally shouldered by the residents.

Trever Baker left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

The 2022 Capital Budget having been thoroughly discussed by Council and Administration the Capital Budget was put forward for adoption.

RES 099-2022: Moved by Deputy Mayor Heinz to adopt the 2022 Capital Budget as presented.

CARRIED

BUDGET 2022 – OPERATING BUDGET:

The Operating Budget having been discussed over the past few months; Council moved forward to adopt the Operating Budget.

RES 100-2022: Moved by Councillor Berkholtz that the 2022 Operating Budget be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BYLAW 05-2022 – TAX RATE BYLAW:

The Tax Rate Bylaw for 2022 has been brought forward to Council for second and third reading.

RES 101-2022: Moved by Councillor Patterson to give Bylaw 05-2022 – Tax Rate Bylaw second reading.

CARRIED

RES 102-2022: Moved by Councillor Berkholtz to move Bylaw 05-2022 – Tax Rate Bylaw forward for a third and final reading.

CARRIED

RES 103-2022: Moved by Deputy Mayor Heinz to give Bylaw 05-2022 – Tax Rate Bylaw third and final reading.

CARRIED

Bylaw 05-2022 – Tax Rate Bylaw is now in force.

Bill These left the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

BYLAW 06 – METHOD OF TAX PAYMENT INCLUDING PENALTIES FOR UNPAID

TAXES:

After discussing the possibility of extending the time to pay for tax payers during the May 30th Special Meeting of Council, when initially administration thought that the mill-rate was going to increase some rate payors tax increase too substantially. The extension of the time for payment has now been minimized by ensuring that the mill-rate for residential properties has gone to a lower rate by approximately 0.665. Council will allow Bylaw 01-2021 – Method of Tax Payment Including Penalties for Unpaid Taxes stand and not extend the time to pay beyond July 31, 2022.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL – INFRASTRUCTURE STUDY:

Administration has brought forward the final draft of the completed Request for Proposal (RFP). Once this document receives a resolution to continue this process, Administration will ensure the proposal is sent to four (4) Alberta Engineering Firms.

RES 104-2022: Moved by Mayor These to allow Administration to move forward in the process of eliciting an Alberta Engineering Firm to undertake a complete Infrastructure study for the Village of Hay Lakes.

CARRIED

Therefore, the Request for Proposal has been approved in the form given and is now completed for distribution to four (4) Engineering firms.

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Regular Meeting of Council to be held on Monday, June 20, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rec Centre in the former Seniors area.

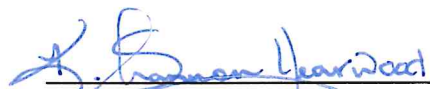
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business of Council, Mayor These declared the meeting be adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Cathy Marusak left the meeting after adjournment.



Mayor Ron These



K. Shannon Yearwood
Chief Administrative Officer