



# THE CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council  
held October 22, 2018  
in Council Chambers

## **Present:**

Mayor Houston, and Councillors Gruhlke, McKenzie, Oldham, Rothe, Stevenson and Turton

## **Also In Attendance:**

Robert Cotterill, City Manager  
Corey Levasseur, General Manager of Planning and Infrastructure  
Maya Pungur-Buick, General Manager of Corporate Services  
David Wolanski, General Manager of Community and Protective Services  
Jennifer Hetherington, Manager of Corporate Communications  
Louise Frostad, Chief Financial Officer  
Mark Hussey, Director of Engineering  
Debra Irving, Director of Planning and Development  
Kevin Stener, Director of Public Works  
Pat Inglis, Manager of Environmental Science and Transit  
Susan Armstrong, Manager of Planning  
Darcy Bryant, Supervisor of Utilities  
Stephanie Porter, Controller - Accounting and Financial Reporting  
Caitlin Van Gaal, Environmental Advisor  
Carol Nault, Waste Management Lead  
Larry Chandler, Operator - Facilities  
Tania Shepherd, City Clerk  
Marj Bradshaw, Recording Secretary

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Houston called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

## **SWEARING IN CEREMONY**

Councillor Turton was sworn in as Deputy Mayor for the term October 23, 2018 to February 25, 2019.

## **ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION – POPPY PRESENTATION**

Council and administration were presented with poppies to signify the commencement of the Royal Canadian Legion's annual Remembrance Day poppy campaign.



## 1. AGENDA

The following additions were made to the agenda:

Councillor Stevenson - Horizon Stage Theatre Advisory Board Update, City Centre Business Association Update, Edmonton Region Waste Advisory Committee Update – Councillor Statements and Updates – Item 7.a.

Councillor McKenzie - Notice of Motion – Mayor and Council Levee – Business Items – Item 10.b.

City Manager Cotterill - Legal Land Issue – Closed Session – Item 12.b.

Mayor Houston - Northern Alberta Mayors and Reeves Caucus Meeting, Midsize City Mayors and CAOs Meeting – Councillor Statements and Updates – 7.b.

250-18 (CS)

Moved by Councillor Rothe that the agenda be adopted as amended.

Unanimously Carried

## 2. MINUTES

a. October 9, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes and October 15, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

261-18 (CS)

Moved by Councillor Gruhlke that the October 9, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes and the October 15, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

Unanimously Carried

## 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearings scheduled on the agenda.

## 4. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

a. Outstanding Achievement Presentations - Parkland Twins Minor Ball

Mayor Houston and Councillors Rothe and Stevenson presented the Parkland Twins Mosquito AA White with certificates of outstanding achievement for their Gold medal win at the Baseball Alberta Mosquito AA Provincials in Sherwood Park, Alberta on July 29, 2018.



Mayor Houston and Councillors McKenzie and Oldham presented the Parkland Twins Pee Wee AAA with certificates of outstanding achievement for their Gold medal win at the Baseball Alberta Pee Wee AAA Provincials in Spruce Grove, Alberta on August 5, 2018.

Mayor Houston and Councillors Gruhlke and Turton presented the Parkland Twins Bantam AAA with certificates of outstanding achievement for their Gold medal win at the Baseball Alberta Bantam AAA Provincials in Okotoks, Alberta on August 5, 2018.

## 5. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

### a. KPMG 2018 Audit Plan

KPMG LLP before Council to present their plan and process for the audit of the 2018 financial statements.

262-18

Moved by Councillor Oldham that KPMG's Audit Planning Report for the year ended December 31, 2018 be received as information.

Unanimously Carried

### b. TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre - 2019 Budget Presentation

Representatives from the TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre provided Council with an update on the 2019 Operational and Capital Budget for the TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre.

263-18

Moved by Councillor Oldham that the representatives be thanked for their presentation and that the report be received as information.

Unanimously Carried

## 6. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

There were no questions asked of Council.

Mayor Houston called for a recess at 7:46 p.m.

Mayor Houston reconvened the meeting at 7:53 p.m.



## 7. COUNCILLOR STATEMENTS AND UPDATES

### a. Board and Committee Reports

Councillor Stevenson provided Council with information on changes to the Horizon Stage Theatre Advisory Board, an update on the recent activities of the City Centre Business Association and the renaming of the Capital Regional Waste Minimization Advisory Committee to the Edmonton Region Waste Advisory Committee.

264-18

Moved by Councillor Stevenson that her updates be received as information.

Unanimously Carried

### b. Northern Alberta Mayors and Reeves Caucus Meeting

Mayor Houston provided Council with highlights of a recent meeting of the Northern Alberta Mayors and Reeves Caucus where presentations were given on the US-Mexico-Canada Agreement as well as the use of artificial intelligence in the region.

265-18

Moved by Mayor Houston that his report be received as information.

Unanimously Carried

### Mid-Sized City Mayors and CAOs Caucus Meeting

Mayor Houston provided an update on a recent Mid-Sized City Mayors and CAOs Caucus meeting he attended that provided information on provincial tax levy funding as well as Municipal Sustainability Initiative funding.

266-18

Moved by Mayor Houston that his report be received as information.

Unanimously Carried

## 8. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

There were no Administrative Updates provided.

## 9. BYLAWS

There were no Bylaws scheduled on the agenda.



## 10. BUSINESS ITEMS

### a. Waste Management Program Proposed Changes

Moved by Councillor Stevenson that the City maintain weekly curbside garbage collection in spring 2019 with the tendering of the new waste contract.

267-18

Moved by Councillor Turton that the following be added to the motion: and consider a transition to bi-weekly collection within the life of the contract.

Unanimously Carried

268-18 (P&I)

Motion as amended put:

Moved by Councillor Stevenson that the City maintain weekly curbside garbage collection in spring 2019 with the tendering of the new waste contract and consider a transition to bi-weekly collection within the life of the contract.

Unanimously Carried

Mayor Houston called for a recess at 9:18 p.m.

Mayor Houston reconvened the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

269-18 (P&I)

Moved by Councillor Oldham that the City maintain monthly winter curbside organics collection in spring 2019 with the tendering of the new waste contract.

Unanimously Carried

270-18 (P&I)

Moved by Councillor McKenzie that administration be directed to consider a transition to bi-weekly winter curbside organics collection within the life of the contract.

Unanimously Carried

271-18 (P&I)

Moved by Councillor Turton that the City discontinue the annual collection of Christmas trees as part of the curbside waste collection program after the January 2019 event.

Unanimously Carried



272-18 (P&I)

Moved by Councillor Stevenson that the City maintain the annual free-cycle event.

Unanimously Carried

Moved by Councillor Rothe that the City discontinue the annual large item curbside collection event.

In Favour  
Rothe

Opposed

Gruhlke  
Houston  
McKenzie  
Oldham  
Stevenson  
Turton

b. Notice of Motion – Mayor and Councillor Levee

Councillor McKenzie brought forward the following notice of motion: That administration bring forward a report on the estimated costing and options associated with hosting a Mayor and Council Levee in January 2019.

**11. INFORMATION ITEMS**

a. Various Board and Committee Meeting Minutes

273-18

Moved by Councillor Gruhlke that the various board and committee meeting minutes presented be received as information.

Unanimously Carried

274-18

Moved by Councillor Rothe that Council go into Closed Session at 10:06 p.m. under section 27(1)(a), privileged information and section 24(1)(a), advice from officials, of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Unanimously Carried

**12. CLOSED SESSION**

*Council went into Closed Session as permitted under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA 2000, c.F-25 to discuss the following:*

a. Legal Advice

b. Legal Land Issue



The following people were also in attendance in the Closed Session meeting to provide information and/or administrative support:

Robert Cotterill, Corey Levasseur, David Wolanski, Jennifer Hetherington, Debra Irving, Susan Armstrong, Tania Shepherd, Marj Bradshaw and Sean Ward representing Reynolds, Mirth, Richards and Farmer.

- 275-18 Moved by Councillor Rothe that Council come out of Closed Session at 10:57 p.m.  
Unanimously Carried
- 276-18 Moved by Councillor Turton that the meeting time be extended to continue past 11:00 p.m.  
Unanimously Carried
- 277-18 Moved by Councillor Turton that Council go into Closed Session at 10:58 p.m. under section 27(1)(a), privileged information and section 24(1)(a), advice from officials, of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.  
Unanimously Carried
- Councillor Oldham left Council Chambers at 11:26 p.m.
- Councillor Oldham returned to Council Chambers at 11:27 p.m.
- Mayor Houston called for a recess at 11:41 p.m.
- Mayor Houston reconvened the meeting at 11:46 p.m.
- Councillor McKenzie cited a conflict of interest and left Council Chambers at 11:46 p.m.
- 279-18 Moved by Councillor Rothe that Council come out of Closed Session at 12:25 a.m.  
Unanimously Carried

### 13. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

- 280-18 (CM) Moved by Councillor Oldham that administration be directed to continue negotiations in regards to the Nelson home.  
Unanimously Carried



**ADJOURNMENT**

281-18

Moved by Councillor Turton that the Regular Meeting adjourn at 12:26 a.m.

Unanimously Carried

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MAYOR

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RECORDING SECRETARY

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