



THE CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
held March 22, 2021
Virtual Meeting

Present:

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

Also In Attendance:

Dean Screpnek, City Manager
Wendy Boje, General Manager of Corporate Services
Corey Levasseur, General Manager of Planning and Infrastructure
David Wolanski, General Manager of Community and Protective Services
Louise Frostad, Chief Financial Officer
Susan Armstrong, Director of Planning and Development
Mark Hussey, Director of Engineering
Jennifer Hetherington, Manager of Corporate Communications
Neil Riley, Manager of Human Resources
Dave Walker, Manager of Economic and Business Development
Carolynn Grey, City Clerk
Lindsay O'Mara, Deputy City Clerk
Marj Bradshaw, Legislative Advisor
Jennifer Maskoske, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Houston called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. AGENDA

The following addition was made to the agenda:

City Manager Federal Three-Digit Suicide Prevention Crisis Line –
Business Items – Item 11.b.

048-21(CS) Moved by Councillor Rothe that the agenda be adopted as amended.

Unanimously Carried



2. CONSENT AGENDA

049-21

Moved by Councillor McKenzie that the recommendations contained in the following reports be approved:

- Item 3.a. March 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- Item 10.b. C-1144-21 – Operating Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw Amendment – First Reading
- Item 10.e. C-1156-21 – Business Improvement Area Tax Bylaw – First Reading
- Item 10.f. C-1147-21 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Greensbury Stage 11A – First Reading
- Item 10.g. C-1149-21 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Tonewood Stage 9 – First Reading
- Item 10.h. C-1151-21 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – McLaughlin Stage 6 – First Reading
- Item 10.i. C-1157-21 – 2021 Business Improvement Area Tax Rate Bylaw – First Reading
- Item 12.a. 2020 Development Activity Report
- Item 12.b. Various Board and Committee Meeting Minutes

Unanimously Carried

3. MINUTES

a. March 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That the March 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearings scheduled on the agenda.

5. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

There were no Council Presentations scheduled on the agenda



6. DELEGATIONS

- a. Council Delegation – Economic Development Advisory Committee – 2021 Work Plan

Representatives with Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) came forward to present the Committee's annual work plan.

050-21

Moved by Councillor Acker that the Economic Development Advisory Committee 2021 Work Plan be approved as presented.

Unanimously Carried

7. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

There were no questions asked of Council.

8. COUNCILLOR STATEMENTS AND UPDATES

No Council Updates were provided.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

- a. COVID-19 Pandemic Update

Administration provided Council with a brief update on the status of the existing COVID-19 cases in the region and the City's ongoing plans for the community in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

051-21

Moved by Councillor Oldham that the COVID-19 Pandemic Update be received as information.

Unanimously Carried

10. BYLAWS

- a. C-1143-21 - Support to City Center Area Redevelopment Plan Borrowing Bylaw

052-21 (P&I/CS)

Moved by Councillor Stevenson that second reading be given to Bylaw C-1143-21 – Support to City Centre Area Redevelopment Plan Borrowing Bylaw.

Unanimously Carried



b. C-1144-21 - Operating Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That first reading be given to Bylaw C-1144-21 – Operating Line of Credit Borrowing Bylaw.

c. C-1145-21 - Elections Bylaw

053-21 (CS)

Moved by Councillor Acker that second reading be given to Bylaw C-1145-21 – Elections Bylaw.

Unanimously Carried

d. C-1146-21 - Non Profit Community Organization Exemption Bylaw

054-21 (CS)

Moved by Councillor Gruhlke that second reading be given to Bylaw C-1146-21 Non Profit Community Organization Exemption Bylaw.

Unanimously Carried

e. C-1156-21 - 2021 Business Improvement Area Tax Bylaw

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That first reading be given to Bylaw C-1156-21 – 2021 Business Improvement Area Tax Bylaw.

f. C-1147-21 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Redistricting - Greenbury Stage 11A

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That first reading be given to Bylaw C-1147-21 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Redistricting – Greenbury Stage 11A.

g. C-1149-21 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Redistricting - Tonewood Stage 9

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That first reading be given to Bylaw C-1149-21 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Redistricting – Tonewood Stage 9.



h. C-1151-21 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Redistricting - McLaughlin Stage 6

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That first reading be given to Bylaw C-1151-21 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Redistricting – McLaughlin Stage 6.

i. C-1157-21 - 2021 Business Improvement Area Tax Rate Bylaw

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That first reading be given to Bylaw C-1157-21 – 2021 Business Improvement Area Tax Rate Bylaw.

Mayor Houston called for a recess at 7:01 p.m.

Mayor Houston reconvened the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

11. BUSINESS ITEMS

a. City Centre Area Redevelopment – Columbus Park Design Update

Moved by Councillor Acker that Administration be directed to proceed with Columbus Park Redevelopment construction as presented.

055-21

Moved by Councillor Oldham that the motion be amended to insert “and add the amenity of a drinking fountain” after “presented”.

Unanimously Carried

056-21 (P&I)

Motion as amended, put:

That Administration directed to proceed with Columbus Park Redevelopment construction as presented, and add the amenity of a drinking fountain.

Unanimously Carried

057-21 (P&I)

Moved by Councillor Gruhlke that the Columbus Park Redevelopment construction also proceed with the inclusion of underground servicing for future amenities.

Unanimously Carried



058-21 (CS)

b. Federal Three-Digit Suicide Prevention Crisis Line

Moved by Councillor Stevenson that the following motion be approved:

WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200 percent;

AND WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

AND WHEREAS in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the City of Spruce Grove recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Spruce Grove endorses this 988 crisis line initiative;

and that a letter indicating such support be sent to the local MP, MLA, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities.

Unanimously Carried

12. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. 2020 Development Activity Report

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That the 2020 Development Activity Report be received as information.

c. Various Board and Committee Meeting Minutes

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

That the various board and committee meeting minutes presented be received as information.



13. CLOSED SESSION

059-21

Moved by Councillor Acker that Council go into Closed Session at 8:40 p.m. under Sections 17 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act RSA 2000 c.F-25*.

Unanimously Carried

Mayor Houston called for a recess at 8:40 p.m.

Mayor Houston reconvened the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

The following persons were also in Closed Session to provide information or administrative support:

Dean Screpnek, Wendy Boje, Neil Riley,Carolynn Grey, Lindsay O'Mara, Marj Bradshaw and Jennifer Maskoske.

- a. Board Appointment – 2021 Assessment Review Boards
FOIP s. 17 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy)
- b. Labour Relations –Collective Bargaining
FOIP s. 24(1)(c) (Advice from Officials)

060-21

Moved by Councillor Stevenson that Council move out of Closed Session at 8:59 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

061-21

Moved by Councillor Rothe that Darlene Chartrand, Tina Groszko, Stewart Hennig, Richard Knowles and Raymond Ralph be appointed as members of the Assessment Review Board for a term ending February 28, 2022.

Unanimously Carried

062-21

Moved by Councillor Acker that Raymond Ralph be appointed as Chairman to the Assessment Review Board for a one year term ending February 28, 2022.

Unanimously Carried

063-21

Moved by Councillor McKenzie that the Collective Agreement between the City of Spruce Grove and the International Union of Operating Engineers, IUOE Local No. 955, be rolled-over from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021.

Unanimously Carried



ADJOURNMENT

064-21 Moved by Councillor Gruhlke that the Regular Meeting adjourn at 9:04 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Approved by Council
CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE

The 12th day of April, 2021

Stuart Houston
Mayor

Jennifer Maskoske
Recording Secretary

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