

Highlights of the Regular Council Meeting – April 26, 2022

Council Highlights briefly identify decisions made by the Town of Blackfalds Council. Residents, businesses and stakeholders are encouraged to keep in touch with Council news. Council meetings are live streamed on the Town's [YouTube channel](#).

Official minutes are posted on the Town of Blackfalds website at www.blackfalds.ca. Archived minutes are available by request.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing took place at the Council Chambers for the revised Land Use Bylaw 1268.22. Several residents in the Community came out to address their support/concerns.

DELEGATIONS

BDO Canada LLP, completed the Town of Blackfalds' audit for 2021, and presented the 2021 financial statements and final report.

A virtual presentation on the Climate Resilience Building Program was provided by Kalum Gale and Andrew Harkness.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Request for Decision – Land Use Bylaw 1268.22

Following the First Reading of the new Land Use Bylaw 1268/22 that took place at their March 22, 2022 and the Public Hearing that took place earlier in the meeting Council gave Second, and Third and Final reading which was Carried Unanimously.

BUSINESS

CAO Report

CAO Thompson reviewed the various organizational operations and activities during the month of April.

Request For Decision – Fees and Fines Bylaw 1269.22

Following the First Reading to the Fees and Fines Bylaw 1269.22 that took place at the Regular Council meeting March 22, 2022 in conjunction with the new Land Use Bylaw Council gave Second, and Third and Final reading which was Carried Unanimously.

Request for Proposal – Social Needs Assessment

Every five years the Town of Blackfalds FCSS undertakes a Social Needs Assessment process to provide FCSS with a comprehensive reference to support decision making and priority planning related to preventative social services provision in the community. Nine bids were received for this planning process and the Tender was awarded to Moorhouse & Associates and Objective Research & Evaluation with a completion date of October 2022.

Request for Decision – 2022 FCSS Funding Allocation Recommendation

Annually, the FCSS Board reviews grant applications from local organizations to support social preventative programming in Blackfalds. FCSS received 2 applications and this year a FCSS grant allocation is going to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Lacombe & District in the amount of \$14,900.

Request for Decision – 2021 Audited Financials

Annual financial statements are prepared every year following an audit process undertaken by chartered professional accountants (BDO). The 2021 Consolidated Financial Statements were accepted as presented.

Request for Decision – First Quarter Financials

Council was unanimous in accepting the Operating Statement and Variance report, Capital Project Report and Council Expenditure Report for the period ending March 31, 2022.

Request for Decision – Tax Rate Bylaw

The Tax Rate Bylaw is prepared based on the 2022 Operating Budget and includes a 0% increase. Property Tax notices are due to be sent out the first week of May. Administration will also include the 2022 Alberta School Requisition facts and information insert. First, Second and Third reading of the 2022 Property Tax Bylaw 1271.22 was approved.

Request for Decision – Skid Steer Tender Award

A request for tender was posted to Alberta Purchasing Connection on January 14, 2022 with a closing date of February 10, 2022. A total of six bid packages were received. The Town undertook a detailed evaluation of all the tenders and found Stettler Bobcat to be compliant with all the requirements, with a price of \$89,975.

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received for an invitation to Proclaim June 19, 2022 as the Longest Day of SMILES which Council accepted this as information.

INFORMATION

Council received the items below for information:

- Groundbreaking Ceremony – WCPS Blackfalds High School
- City of Lacombe Highlights – April 22, 2022
- Lacombe County Highlights – April 14, 2022
- FCSS Minutes – March 10, 2022

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**Upcoming Council Meeting:**

Regular Council Meeting Tuesday May 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

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Mayor and Council shared meetings and events attended from March 2022 to April 2022.

Adoption of Minutes

Council reviewed and adopted the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting on April 12, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Council Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

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