

Council Highlights briefly identify decisions made by 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.

Highlights of the Regular Meeting of Council – August 22, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and indicated that Councillor Appel and Councillor Svab sent their regrets.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Addition of Business item 7.1 Request for Decision, Rural Renewal Stream – Alberta Advantage Immigration Program and the numbering of the following Business items was altered to reflect the addition.

Council adopted the August 22, 2023, Agenda as amended.

DELEGATION

RCMP Semi-Annual Report Update, Sgt. Brent Dueck and S/Sgt. Dan Martin

S/Sgt. Dan Martin presented to Council an update on Blackfalds RCMP crime statistics, hiring and other notable activities from January to August 2023, and indicated that this would be his last presentation as he has accepted a transfer.

Highway 2A Tree Removal, Ken Hubbard

Ken Hubbard presented to Council his concerns as a business owner and developer regarding the trees and shrubs along Highway 2A in Parkwood Plaza and the need for landscaping in that area.

BUSINESS

Request for Decision, Rural Renewal Stream – Alberta Advantage Immigration Program (AAIP)

Economic Development Officer Sadick presented the AAIP – Rural Renewal Community Designation application for Council's endorsement. Council directed Administration to submit an application for the Rural Renewal Community Designation and authorized the Mayor to sign a letter endorsing the application.

Request for Decision, Blackfalds RCMP Multi-Year Financial Plan

CAO Isaak brought forward to Council the Blackfalds RCMP Multi-Year Financial Plan April 1, 2024 – March 31, 2029, for acknowledgement and support. Council acknowledged and supported the Multi-Year Financial Plan from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2029, with an Agreement in Principle only and consideration as part of the

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Municipal annual budget development process. Further, Council authorized the Mayor's signature of the Multi-Year Financial Plan from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2029, acknowledging the Agreement in Principle and effective collaboration in strategic planning for policing expenditures over the term identified in the plan.

Request for Decision, Alberta Development Officers Week Proclamation

Manager Tejkl brought forward a request to proclaim September 19 to September 22, 2023, Alberta Development Officers Week. Council proclaimed Alberta Development Officers Week in the Town of Blackfalds from September 19-22, 2023.

Request for Decision, Annexation Application Withdraw Report

Manager Tejkl brought the Annexation Application Withdraw Report – Lot 1 Block 2 Plan 032 0195 & Lot 2 Block 2 Plan 172 3227, Pt. NE 24-39-27-W4M for Council's authorization. Council accepted the final Annexation Application Withdraw Report and authorized the Mayor's signature, certifying that the Annexation Application Withdraw Report accurately reflects the results of the negotiations, pursuant to Section 118(2) of the *Municipal Government Act*. Further authorized Administration to provide the final Annexation Application Withdraw Report to Lacombe County Administration for the purposes of seeking authorization from their respective Council to sign the report and authorize the submission of the fully executed Report to the Land & Property Rights Tribunal. In final, Council authorized Administration, upon Lacombe County Council authorizing the same, to submit the fully executed Annexation Application Withdraw Report to the Land & Property Rights Tribunal.

Request for Decision - Council Meeting Date Change – Alberta Municipalities Convention

CAO Isaak brought forth to Council a request to reschedule the September 26, 2023, Regular Council Meeting to Monday, September 25, 2023, due to the Alberta Municipalities Convention. Council rescheduled the September 26, 2023, Regular Council Meeting to Monday, September 25, 2023, and Administration will post notice of the date change accordingly.

CAO Report

CAO Isaak reviewed the various organizational operations and activities during the month of August 2023. Council accepted the CAO Report – August 2023 as information.

INFORMATION

- Report for Council, Blackfalds RCMP – July Month-end Statistics
- Report for Council, Municipal Enforcement Budget Report – Period Ending July 2023

Council accepted the Information Items as information.

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ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Mayor and Council shared meetings and events attended from July 16 – August 15, 2023. Council accepted the Round Table Reports as information.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Council accepted the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from August 8, 2023, as presented.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion, Mayor Hoover – 2022 Social Needs Assessment

Mayor Hoover brought forward a Notice of Motion – 2022 Social Needs Assessment that will be brought forward to the September 25, 2023, Regular Council Meeting instead of the September 12, 2023 Regular Council Meeting for discussion and debate.

“That Council accepts the 2022 Social Needs Assessment, in principle, as the guiding document to prioritize and plan FCSS Programming for the Town of Blackfalds.”

Alternatively:

“That Council provides specific feedback on changes necessary to accept the 2022 Social Needs Assessment, in principle, as the guiding document to prioritize and plan FCSS Programming for the Town of Blackfalds.”

BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF COUNCIL

Mayor Hoover indicated he would be away from August 23 to August 30, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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