

Highlights of the Regular Council Meeting – February 22, 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.com. Archived minutes are available by request.

DELEGATIONS

Fire Department and Peace Officer Awards

Members of the Blackfalds Fire Department and Community Peace Officers were presented with their awards for their years of service to the Town.

BUSINESS

CAO Report

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

Request for Decision – Parkland Regional Library Board Appointment

On February 3, 2022, CAO Thompson received notice from Councillor Svab that she would like to resign her position on the Parkland Regional Library Board due to scheduling conflicts with work. Councillor Coulter was appointed as the new Council representative on the Parkland Regional Library Board.

Request for Decision – 2022 Operating Budget

The 2022 Operating Budget is completed and Administration presented it with a zero per cent (0%) tax increase recommended. The 2022-2024 Financial Plan has a proposed tax increase of two per cent for 2023 and 2024. The 2022 Operating Budget and 2022 – 2024 Financial Plan were approved.

Request for Decision – Civic Centre Lower Level Renovation

The Blackfalds Public Library relocated to the Eagle Builders Centre in December 2021, opening up space in the lower level of the Civic Centre for the planned transition of other municipal operations, including FCSS. This transition will require renovation of the space and a layout is being presented for feedback from Council. Council moved to accept the preliminary layout presented and will send out a Request for Proposal.

Request for Decision – EV Charging Station Grant

The Municipal Climate Change Action Centre is providing grant funding for municipalities to support investments in electric vehicle charging stations. Administration requested feedback on the chosen locations of the Eagle Builders Centre and Tutty Ponds. Council referred this item back to Administration for more information on costs and location options.



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INFORMATION

Council received the items below for information:

- Municipal Planning Commission Minutes – January 11, 2022
- Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee Minutes – December 13, 2021
- City of Lacombe Council Meeting Highlights – February 14, 2022
- FCSS Minutes – January 13, 2022
- Volunteer Awards

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Mayor and Council shared meetings and events attended from January 2022 to February 2022.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Council reviewed and adopted the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting on February 22, 2022.

CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED SESSION

Council held a closed session pursuant to Section 17 of FOIP. Following the In Camera session, two motions were passed. Council moved to accept the Consultant's Investigation Report pertaining to the Code of Conduct Investigation on November 15, 2021. Council also moved that the complaint filed under the Council Code of Conduct Bylaw 1226.18 be dismissed as recommended through investigation by an independent third party, which deemed it to be without foundation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Upcoming Council Meeting:

Regular Council Meeting – March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

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Council Chambers on Level 2
Civic Cultural Centre | 5018 Waghorn Street

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