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A Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Blackfalds was held on July 8, 2025, at 5018 Waghorn Street in Council Chambers, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Jamie Hoover
Deputy Mayor Edna Coulter
Councillor Marina Appel
Councillor Laura Svab
Councillor Brenda Dennis
Councillor Jim Sands

ATTENDING

Kim Isaak, Chief Administrative Officer
Justin de Bresser, Acting CAO and Director of Corporate Services
Preston Weran, Director of Infrastructure and Planning Services
Rick Kreklewich, Director of Community Services
Jolene Tejkl, Planning & Development Manager
Renan Bravo, IT Technician
Danielle Nealon, Executive & Legislative Coordinator

REGRETS

None

MEDIA

None

OTHERS PRESENT

None

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover welcomed everyone to the Regular Council Meeting of July 8, 2025, and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

TREATY SIX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Land Acknowledgement was read to recognize that the Town of Blackfalds is on Treaty Six Territory.

ADOPTION OF AGENDAS

Addition of Regular Agenda Business item 6.7 Bentley Days Parade.

Exemption of Consent Agenda item 3.2b) Regular Council Meeting Minutes – June 24, 2025, was added under the Regular Agenda as Business item 6.8.

179/25 Councillor Sands moved That Council adopt the Regular Agenda for July 8, 2025, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

180/25 Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council adopt the Consent Agenda for July 9, 2025, as amended, containing:

- **Declaration of No Interest** (*conflict of duty and interest, pecuniary or other*)
- **Adoption of Minutes**
None
- **Council Reports**
None

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- **Administrative Reports**
 - Report for Council, Enforcement & Protective Services Monthly Report – June 2025
 - Report for Council, Development & Building Monthly Report – June 2025
- **Boards, Committee and Commission Minutes and/or Reports**
 - Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – February 25, 2025
- **Information**
 - City of Lacombe Council Highlights – June 23, 2025
 - Lacombe County Council Highlights – June 26, 2025
- **Correspondence**
 - None

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARING

Bylaw 1329.25 – 5401 & 5403 South Street Redistricting

Mayor Hoover declared the Public Hearing open at 7:03 p.m. for Bylaw 1329.25.

The purpose of Bylaw 1329.25 is to amend the Land Use Bylaw to re-district Lot 1 and Lot 2, Block 5 Plan 132 0650 from Industrial Heavy District (I-2) to Industrial Light District (I-1).

First Reading was given to Bylaw 1329.25 on May 13, 2025.

Notice of this Public Hearing was advertised in accordance with Section 606 of *the Municipal Government Act* and the Town of Blackfalds' Public Notification Bylaw and Public Participation Policy:

- On the bulletin board in the Town's Civic Centre, upstairs outside of Council Chambers, commencing June 13, 2025.
- A hard copy of proposed Bylaw 1329.25 was available for viewing at the Town's Civic Centre Front Counter (upstairs) as of June 13, 2025.
- Via email to all local authorities and agencies on June 13, 2025.
- Via email to internal departments on June 13, 2025.
- On the Town's HWY 2A electronic sign commencing June 16, 2025.
- On the Town's Broadway electronic sign commencing July 2, 2025.
- July 2025 edition of "Talk of the Town".
- On the Town's website commencing on June 13, 2025.
- Circulation to adjacent landowners on June 13, 2025.
- Via email to the Municipal Planning Commission on June 16, 2025.
- In the June 26, 2025 and July 3, 2025 editions of the Lacombe Express.
- On the Town's social media channels in the weeks leading up to the Public Hearing.

The following written comments have been received to date:

- June 16, 2025, submission from Rogers
- June 27, 2025, submission from Lacombe County

There were no late submissions for the Bylaw.

Those in Favour of the Bylaw

None came forward, and none attended virtually.

Those Opposed to the Bylaw

None came forward, and none attended virtually.

Any Person Deemed to be Affected by the Bylaw Who Wishes to be Heard

None came forward, and none attended virtually.

Comments from the Planning & Development Department

None

Mayor Hoover declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw 1329.25 closed at 7:04 p.m.

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DELEGATION

None

BUSINESS

Request for Decision, Bylaw 1329.25 – 5401 & 5403 South Street Redistricting

Following the closing of the Public Hearing, Manager Tejkl brought forward Bylaw 1329.25 – 5401 & 5403 South Street Redistricting for Council's consideration of Second and Third Reading.

- 181/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council give Second Reading Bylaw 1329.25 – 5401 & 5403 South Street Redistricting, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 182/25** Councillor Sands moved That Council give Third Reading Bylaw 1329.25 – 5401 & 5403 South Street Redistricting, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Aspen Community Garden Relocation

Director Kreklewich presented proposed options for the current Aspen Community Garden and the creation of a Willow Park Community Garden.

- 183/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council approve a new community garden at Willow Park and the future reclamation and realignment of the Aspen Community Garden, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Network for Decentralized Cooperation and Sustainable Development (RC3D)– Central Alberta Delegation

CAO Isaak brought forward a request from the RC3D for the African Mayors Delegation to Central Alberta for Council consideration.

- 184/25** Councillor Sands moved That Council authorize the Mayor to send a letter of support on behalf of Blackfalds Town Council to RC3D for the African Mayors Delegation to Central Alberta and to designate the Mayor and Economic Development Officer to attend the engagements that have been planned for Central Alberta for July 24-25, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Standing Committee of Council Meeting Cancellation Request

Coordinator Nealon brought forward a request for Council to consider cancelling the Standing Committee of Council Meeting scheduled for July 14, 2025.

- 185/25** Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council formally cancel the July 14, 2025, Standing Committee of Council Meeting and direct Administration to post notice of the cancellation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Westerner Days Kick-Off Luncheon

Coordinator Nealon brought forward an invitation for the Westerner Days Kick-Off Lunch for Council to consider designating dignitaries to attend.

- 186/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council designate Mayor Hoover and Councillor Appel to attend the Westerner Days Kick-Off Luncheon, which will take place on Wednesday, July 16, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Request for Decision, Alix Days Parade 2025

Coordinator Nealon brought forward an invitation for the Alix Days Parade 2025 for Council to consider designating a dignitary.

- 187/25** Councillor Dennis moved That Council designate Councillor Sands to attend the Alix Days Parade 2025 that will take place on Saturday, August 16, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bentley Days Parade

Coordinator Nealon brought forward an invitation for the Bentley Days Parade for Council to consider designating a dignitary.

- 188/25** Councillor Appel moved That Council designate Deputy Mayor Coulter to attend the Bentley Days Parade on behalf of the Town of Blackfalds.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – June 24, 2025

The Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2025, were exempt from the Consent Agenda for amendments.

- 189/25** Councillor Appel moved That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2025, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICES OF MOTION

None

RECESS

Mayor Hoover called for a five-minute recess at 7:31 p.m.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING RETURNED TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover called the Regular Council Meeting back to order at 7:37 p.m.

CONFIDENTIAL

- **Wadey House - Access To Information Act (ATIA) Section 29 (1) – Advice from Officials**

- 190/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council move to a closed session commencing at 7:37 p.m. in accordance with Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* to discuss matters exempt from disclosure under Section 29(1) of the *Access to Information Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Closed Session Attendance: Mayor Jamie Hoover, Deputy Mayor Edna Coulter, Councillor Marina Appel, Councillor Laura Svab, Councillor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, CAO Kim Isaak, Acting CAO Director Justin de Bresser and Director Rick Kreklewich.

- 191/25** Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council move to come out of the closed session at 8:01 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hoover adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 8:01 p.m.

-Original Signed-

Jamie Hoover, Mayor

-Original Signed-

Kim Isaak, Chief Administrative Officer