

CITY OF MELFORT

October 18, 2021

Minutes of the City of Melfort Regular Meeting held on Monday, October 18, 2021, in the City Hall Council Chambers, Melfort, Saskatchewan, commencing at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: **COUNCIL:** Mayor George and Councillors Enge, Muntain, Phillips, Mitchell, Terry and Hoenmans.

STAFF: A. Homes, City Manager; B. Lutz, Director of Planning, Development & Community Relations; S. Stewart, Director of Protective Services; G. Gilmore, Director of Works & Utilities; S. Peterson, City Treasurer and M.Seymour, City Clerk.

21-219
Hoenmans
Terry

MINUTES, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021:

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on September 13, 2021, be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

21-220
Hoenmans
Terry

MINUTES, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021:

The minutes of the Special Council meeting held on September 29, 2021, be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

DELEGATIONS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

21-221
Hoenmans
Muntain

NEW BUSINESS & COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Standing Committee and Deputy Mayor Appointments for November 2021 to November 2022

Council approves the following Committee and Deputy Mayor appointments for a term beginning November 1, 2021, ending November 30, 2022.

Community Service Committee- Councillor Brian Enge (Committee Chair) and Councillor Doug Terry

Protective Services Committee- Councillor Tara Muntain (Committee Chair) and Councillor Tim Hoenmans

Legislative and Finance Committee – Councillor Tim Hoenmans (Committee Chair) and Councillor April Phillips

Works and Utilities Committee – Councillor Trent Mitchell (Committee Chair) and Councillor Tara Muntain

Deputy Mayor – Doug Terry

Mayor Glenn George is an "ex-officio" voting member of each Standing Committee of Council.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that resolution no 20-179 passed at a Regular Council Meeting held November 16, 2020, be hereby rescinded. **Carried**

21-241
Mitchell
Phillips

2. Amendment to Standing Committee and Deputy Mayor Appointments for November 2021 to November 2022

WHEREAS Councillor Mitchell put forward an amendment to the motion in "New Business Item 1" to read as follows:

Council approves the following Committee and Deputy Mayor appointments for a term beginning November 1, 2021, ending November 30, 2022.

Community Service Committee- Councillor Brian Enge (Committee Chair) and Councillor Doug Terry

Protective Services Committee- Councillor Tara Muntain (Committee Chair) and Councillor Tim Hoenmans

Legislative and Finance Committee – Councillor Tim Hoenmans (Committee Chair) and Councillor April Phillips

Works and Utilities Committee – Councillor Trent Mitchell (Committee Chair) and Councillor Tara Muntain

Deputy Mayor – Doug Terry

Mayor Glenn George is an “ex-officio” voting member of each Standing Committee of Council.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that resolution no 20-179 passed at a Regular Council Meeting held November 16, 2020, be hereby rescinded. **Carried**

GENERAL SUNDRY COMMUNICATION ITEMS

1. Sept/2021: FCM, Re: Opportunity for Prosperity: The future of Western Canada Report – Council discussed the content of the report no action required.
2. Sept 24/21: Nelda Bertram, Re: Spruce Haven Washrooms – Administration informed that due to staffing shortage the washroom was not unlocked until 12:00 pm that specific day – no further action required
3. Oct 4/21: Access Communications – Prairie Proud Report – No action required
4. October 5/21: Adoption Support Center of Saskatchewan – Request for proclamation – Council discussed item and decided to add item to the agenda to proclaim November as Adoption Awareness Month.

21-222
Hoenmans
Terry

MINUTES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – IN CAMERA, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021:

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on September 28, 2021, be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

21-223
Hoenmans
Terry

MINUTES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – IN CAMERA, OCTOBER 7, 2021:

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on October 7, 2021, be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

21-224
Hoenmans
Terry

MINUTES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – IN CAMERA, OCTOBER 13, 2021:

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on October 13, 2021, be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

21-225
Hoenmans
Phillips

MINUTES, LEGISLATIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, OCTOBER 15, 2021:

That the Legislative and Finance Committee meeting minutes from October 15, 2021 be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

21-226
Mitchell
Hoenmans

2024 ELECTION DATES:

WHEREAS it was determined that the 2020 Municipal Election dates caused numerous issues for Saskatchewan communities due to the overlap with the Provincial Election dates and the inclement weather conditions experienced.

AND WHEREAS Saskatchewan local government bodies are lobbying the provincial government to legislatively address the dates set out for the 2024 Municipal election and every 4 years thereafter.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Melfort recommends that the 2024 municipal election date is moved to May of 2024 and May every 4 years thereafter.

Carried

21-227
Hoenmans
Mitchell

POLICY AND BYLAW MAINTENANCE POLICY:

Council adopts the proposed Policy and Bylaw Maintenance Policy 1.4.01 effective January 1, 2021. **Carried**

21-228
Mitchell
Hoenmans

SCBA PRE-APPROVAL 2022 CAPITAL BUDGET REQUEST:

Council pre-approves the purchase of SCBA equipment for \$47,500 from the 2022 capital budget. \$27,612.00 is to be funded from the Protective Services reserve allocated from the investment income transferred to the general capital fund for 2022 capital projects, the remaining \$19,888.00 will be funded by the rural society. **Carried**

21-229
Hoenmans
Terry

CUMBERLAND COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP DONATION:

Council approves a \$1000.00 entrance scholarship donation to Cumberland College for the purpose of a student scholarship from the 2021 operating budget through funding from the Community Development budget. **Carried**

LEGISLATIVE & FINANCE REPORT

21-230
Phillips
Enge

MINUTES, COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE, SEPTEMBER 22, 2021:

That the Community Services Committee meeting minutes from September 22, 2021 be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

21-231
Terry
Muntain

MINUTES, PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE, OCTOBER 7, 2021:

That the Protective Services Committee meeting minutes from October 7, 2021 be hereby adopted as circulated. **Carried**

21-232
Terry
Muntain

MINUTES, PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMISSION, OCTOBER 12, 2021:

That the Protective Services Commission meeting minutes from October 12, 2021 be hereby accepted. **Carried**

21-233
Terry
Muntain

RM OF FLETT'S SPRINGS DISCRETIONARY APPROVAL FOR A GRAIN HANDLING FACILITY:

Council acknowledges the development permit submitted by G3 Canada Limited to develop a grain terminal on W1/2 01-44-19 W2 and further that although this property is not in city limits it does fall within, the Planning District Commission area. Therefore, the City of Melfort has no objections to the development permit application as it complies with the Melfort Planning District Zoning Bylaws and amendments thereto. **Carried**

21-234
Terry
Muntain

RCMP UNIONIZATION LETTER TO THE HONORABLE BILL BLAIR:

WHEREAS in 2017 the Government of Canada passed legislation allowing RCMP members to unionize and bargain collectively, in June 2021 a tentative agreement was reached with negotiations taking place exclusively between the Federal Government and the Union for the RCMP.

AND WHEREAS the proposed new Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) which includes retroactive pay increases will have a significant financial impact on the City of Melfort and many other Saskatchewan communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a letter endorsed by SUMA on behalf of Council be sent to the Honorable Bill Blair - Minister of Public Safety to explain the hardships this decision will cause the City of Melfort and to request that backpay negotiated by the federal government be paid by the federal government. **Carried**

BUILDING PERMIT REPORT – SEPTEMBER, 2021

RCMP MONTHLY POLICE REPORT – SEPTEMBER, 2021

FIRE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS – JANUARY TO OCTOBER, 2021

PROTECTIVE SERVICES REPORT

COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

21-235

Terry
Muntain

MINUTES, AIRPORT BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021:

The minutes of the Works and Utilities Committee meeting held on September 14, 2021, be hereby received. **Carried**

WORKS & UTILITIES REPORT

21-236

Enge
Phillips

BY-LAW 2021-18: AMEND FINANCIAL SERVICE FEE BYLAW 2020-14

Bylaw 2021-18, being a bylaw to amend Financial Service Fee Bylaw 2020-14 to reflect the increase from 1.5% to 2.5% for Credit Card Service fee in Schedule "A" be given third and final reading and passed. **Carried**

PUBLIC HEARING for BY-LAW 2021-17: AMEND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN 2019-18:
Murry Vanderpont with G3 Canada Limited was present at the hearing to do a presentation to Council and to speak in favour of the proposed amendment. The presentation consisted of the plans for building a grain handling facility and the positive effects it will have on the City of Melfort and its surrounding areas, the G3 facility will be located in one of the amended future use locations proposed in bylaw no. 2021-17 and the organization requested Council consider passing the proposed bylaw amendment.
No other written or oral submissions were received.

21-237

Phillips
Enge

BY-LAW 2021-17: AMEND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN 2019-18

Bylaw 2021-17, being a bylaw to amend the official community plan 2019-18 to be hereby given second reading **Carried**

21-238

Phillips
Enge

BY-LAW 2021-17: AMEND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN 2019-18

Bylaw 2021-17, being a bylaw to amend the official community plan 2019-18 to be hereby given third and final reading. **Carried**

21-239

Phillips
Enge

BY-LAW 2021-19: AMEND ZONING BYLAW 2019-19

Bylaw 2021-19, being a bylaw to amend the Zoning bylaw 2019-19 text in table 10-10 to include residential uses for C3 shopping center commercial zones inclusive with development standards and limitations, be hereby given first reading. **Carried**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mayor George took the time to thank Councillor April Phillips for representing the city at the first National Truth and Reconciliation Event on September 30, 2021. The event was a huge success and truly recognized the victims and survivors of the residential school system and allowed for the community to take the time to listen and reflect upon the stories of survivors and take the first steps towards healing.

21-240
Phillips
Enge

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA- PROCLAMATION

That Council approves the following proclamation and that we authorize the Mayor to authenticate the same:

DATE

November 2021

ORGANIZATION

Adoption Support Center of Saskatchewan

PROCLAMATION

"Adoption Awareness Month"

Carried

21-242
Terry
Muntain

ADJOURNMENT:

That this meeting be adjourned. **Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk