

TOWN OF ECKVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday October 28, 2024
Eckville Town Office, 5023 – 51 Avenue, Eckville, Alberta
(The meeting was available via electronic means)

- 1. Call to Order**
- 1.1 Mayor Ebden called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.
- Present: Mayor Ebden
Councillor Engen
Councillor Meyers
Councillor Pacholek
Councillor Palm-Fraser
Councillor See (joined by electronic means)
Councillor Thoreson (joined by electronic means)
- Absent: None
- Staff: CAO, Jack Ramsden, Deputy CAO Darcy Webb
- Press: None Present
- Gallery: None
- 2. Delegations/Public Hearings**
- 2.1 None.
- 3. Agenda**
- 3.1 Additional Agenda Items
11.1 – Closed Session, Sec 16 – Business Interests of a third party
- 3.2 Adoption of Agenda
- Res. 258.2024**
- Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that the agenda be adopted with the addition.
Carried Unanimously.
- 4. Minutes**
- 4.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – October 15th, 2024
- Res.259.2024**
- Moved by Councillor Pacholek that the minutes of the October 15th, 2024, Council Meeting be approved as presented. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 5. Action Items**
- 5.1 RFD- Amendment to Council Per Diem Rate and Employee Wage Grid - CPI
- Res. 260.2024**
- Moved by Councillor Pacholek that Administration be instructed to prepare a bylaw to amend the Council Procedural Bylaw in order to increase the Council Per Diem rates by 0% effective January 1, 2025. **Carried.**
- Res. 261.2024**
- Moved by Councillor Engen that the Employee Wage Grid be increased by 1.9% effective January 1, 2025. **Carried.**

- 5.2 RFD – Request for Delegation to Council.
- Res. 262.2024** Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that Stacy Pacholek, Iris Reimer and Danielle Gardner be invited to the November 12th, 2024 Council Meeting to discuss community policing. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 6. Bylaws, Policies**
- 6.1 Bylaw #800-24 Town Council Structure Bylaw
- Mayor Ebden called for a recorded vote on this item.
- Res. 263.2024** Moved by Mayor Ebden that Bylaw #800-24 Town Council Structure Bylaw be given First reading,
In Favour: Mayor Ebden and Councillors Engen, Meyers, Pacholek, Palm-Fraser and Thoreson
Opposed: Councillor See.
Carried.
- Res. 264.2024** Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser to move the second December Council Meeting from December 23rd, 2024 to December 30th at 4:00pm. **Carried.**
- Res. 265.2024** Moved by Councillor Engen that the Town hold an information session with respect to Bylaw #800-24 on November 25th 7:00-8:00pm in the Council Chambers. **Carried.**
- 7. Reports**
- 7.1 Management Report for October 28th, 2024
- Res. 266.2024** Moved by Councillor See that the Management Report for October 28th, 2024, be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 7.2 Financial Report – AP Oct 23, 2024 – Oct 10, 2024 and 2024 Operating & Capital Spend Q3.
- Res.267.2024** Moved by Councillor Engen that the Financial Report for AP Oct 23 - Oct 10, 2024. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 7.3 Animal Control Services September Report.
- Res. 268.2024** Moved by Councillor Engen that the Animal Control Report for September be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**
- 8. Committee & Board Reports**
- 8.1 Councillor Engen reported on the Medicine River Watershed Society
- 8.2 Councillor Pacholek reported on the MPC meeting
- 8.3 Councillor Meyers reported on Lacombe Regional Solid Waste Commission
- 8.4 Mayor Ebden reported on the Fall Festival
- Res. 269.2024** Moved by Councillor Pacholek that the Committee and Board Reports be accepted. **Carried Unanimously.**

9. Correspondence, Information Items

9.1 Consent Agenda:
1 Lacombe County Highlights or Regular Council meeting Oct 10, 2024

Res. 270.2024

Moved by Councillor See that the Correspondence and Information items be accepted as information. **Carried Unanimously.**

10. Seminars, Meetings, Special Events

10.1 None

11. Closed Session

11.1 Closed Session, Sec 16 – Business Interests of a third party

Res. 271.2024

Moved by Councillor Engen that the meeting move into closed session, excluding all persons except Council Members, CAO, and Deputy CAO in order to discuss an item with Section Sec 16 – Business Interests of a third party. Time 7:45 p.m. **Carried Unanimously**

Res. 272.2024

Moved by Councilor Palm-Fraser that the meeting revert back to open session. Time 7:53. **Carried Unanimously.**

Mayor Ebden called for a 5-minute recess. Time 7:54pm. The meeting reconvened at 7:59pm

12. Committee of the Whole

12.1 None

13. Adjournment

13.1

Res. 273.2024

Mayor Ebden adjourned the meeting. Time 8:00. **Carried Unanimously.**

Mayor

CAO

