

AGENDA FOR THE TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE COUNCIL MEETING
 TO BE HELD MONDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2021 AT 7:00 PM
 IN THE WALKER ROOM AT THE TOWNE SQUARE, 1016 – 4TH AVENUE

1.0	<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u>	
2.0	<u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA:</u>	
3.0	<u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES:</u> 3.1 January 25, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes	PP 2-4
4.0	<u>DELEGATIONS:</u>	
5.0	<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u>	
6.0	<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> 6.1 Growing the North 2021 6.2 Beaverlodge Water Treatment Plant Investigation Costs	PP 5-8 PP 9
7.0	<u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u> 7.1 MD of Bonnyville – Western Canadian Municipal Advisor 7.2 Mackenzie County – Reopening Recreational & Business Services 7.3 Community Economic Development Minutes – Nov 30, 2020	PP 10,11 PP 12,13 PP 14,15
8.0	<u>COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:</u> 8.1 Action List 8.2 Council Reports	pp 16 PP 17-19
9.0	<u>Closed Session:</u>	
10.0	<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>	



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD MONDAY JANUARY 25, 2021 AT 7:00 PM
WALKER ROOM 1016-4TH AVE, BEAVERLODGE, ALBERTA

COUNCIL	Mayor Gary Rycroft Deputy Mayor Gena Jones Councillor Cal Mosher Councillor Hugh Graw	Councillor Cyndi Corbett Councillor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus Councillor Terry Dueck Jeff Johnston, CAO
STAFF	Tina Letendre, Assistant CAO	Nichole Young, Executive Assistant

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Gary Rycroft called the meeting to order. 7: 00 PM

2.0 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

#009-2021-01-25 Councillor Cyndi Corbett

CARRIED: That the agenda be accepted with the following additions:

- New Business 6.9 – Water North Coalition Future
- Closed Session 9.1 – Personnel – FOIP Section 21

3.0 **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

3.1 January 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

#010-2021-01-25 Councillor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus

CARRIED: That the minutes of the January 11, 2021 Regular Council meeting be accepted with the following correction:

- 5.0 Old Business – Covid-19 Vaccination Priority Request for Decision - That the motion for this item will read “That Council decides not to proceed with writing a letter about vaccination priorities, specifically for seniors, based upon the additional information provided by the CAO”.

4.0 **DELEGATIONS**

5.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

6.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

6.1 Water Utility Bylaw #923-H Schedule A-9

#011-2021-01-25 Councillor Cyndi Corbett

CARRIED: That Council gives a 1st reading to Bylaw #923-H Schedule A-9.

#012-2021-01-25 Councillor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus

CARRIED: That Council gives a 2nd reading to Bylaw #923-H Schedule A-9.

#013-2021-01-25 Councillor Terry Dueck

CARRIED: That Council moves to a 3rd reading of Bylaw #923-H Schedule A-9.

#014-2021-01-25 Deputy Mayor Gena Jones

CARRIED: That Council gives a 3rd reading and thereby passes Bylaw #923-H Schedule A-9.

6.2 Regional Handibus Study

CAO Jeff Johnston will meet with the CAO's of the affected municipalities to explore the feasibility of this project.

6.3 Annual Budget Update

CAO Jeff Johnston relayed that the meetings have been set for March 9th & 10th and he intends to present the finalized budget to Council at the March 22, 2021 Council meeting.

6.4 CAO Priorities

#015-2021-01-25 Councillor Cal Mosher

CARRIED: That Council accepts the CAO Priorities Report for information.

6.5 4th Quarter / Year End Financials

#016-2021-01-25 Councillor Cyndi Corbett

CARRIED: That Council accepts this report for information.

6.6 GIS Assessment Agreement

#017-2021-01-26 Deputy Mayor Gena Jones

CARRIED: That Council accepts this agreement as presented.

6.7 Municipal Fire Protection Agreement

#018-2021-01-25 Councillor Hugh Graw

CARRIED: That Council accepts the one-year extension to this agreement as presented.

6.8 Protective Services Committee Recommendations – Jan 20, 2021

1. Change the Yield Signs to Stop signs on both sides of 7th Avenue where it crosses 10th Street.

#019-2021-01-25 Councillor Hugh Graw

CARRIED: That Council approves the changes to signs as per the Protective Services Committee's recommendation.

2. Fire Department Tool Upgrade Request to 2021 Council Budget Meetings.

#020-2021-01-25 Councillor Cyndi Corbett

CARRIED: That Council will take this request to the 2021 Budget Meetings for consideration.

6.9 Water North Coalition Future

#021-2021-01-25 Councillor Cyndi Corbett

CARRIED: That Council requests CAO and Councillor Cal Mosher investigate the options and bring this item back to Council with more information.

7.0 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

7.1 Peace Wapiti Public School Division Invitation

Council discussed and appreciated the invitation however they would like to wait until such a time as they can all meet in person to discuss. Admin will compose a letter respectfully declining the invite at this time in favor of meeting in person at a later date.

7.2 Protective Services Meeting Minutes – Feb 19, 2020

#022-2021-01-25 Councillor Hugh Graw

CARRIED: That Council accepts these minutes from the Protective Services Meeting for information.

8.0 **COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

8.1 Action List

#023-2021-01-25 Deputy Mayor Gena Jones

CARRIED: That Council accepts the Action Item List with the addition of the following:

- Erection of fencing surrounding the Water Treatment Reservoir.

8.2 Staff Reports

#024-2021-01-25 Councillor Hugh Graw

CARRIED: That Council accepts these reports for information as presented.

9.0 **CLOSED SESSION:**

#025-2021-01-25 Councillor Hugh Graw **8:35 PM**

CARRIED: That Council moves into Closed Session for item 9.1 Personnel – FOIP Section 21.

#026-2021-01-25 Councillor Hugh Graw **8:58 PM**

CARRIED: That Council moves out of Closed Session.

10.0 **ADJOURNMENT** Mayor Gary Rycroft adjourned the meeting. **8:58 PM**

Mayor, Gary Rycroft

CAO, Jeff Johnston

GROWING THE NORTH

A group of organizations including the City of Grande Prairie, County of Grande Prairie, Municipal District of Greenview, Grande Prairie & District Chamber of Commerce, Community Futures Grande Prairie & Region, Farm Credit Canada, Grande Prairie Regional College, Grande Prairie Regional Innovation Network and Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association have partnered to host the annual Growing the North Conference, the largest economic development conference in the Peace Region and one of the largest in Alberta, with hundreds of participants from across Alberta, northern British Columbia and the Northwest Territories. The cost to attend this year's all-virtual conference is \$199 + GST. Click on the registration buttons on this page, or contact the Chamber of Commerce for more information by phone 780-532-5340 or email info@gpchamber.com.



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EVENT SCHEDULE

DAY ONE TUE, FEB 16, 2021

8:30 AM – Welcome

9:00 AM – **KEYNOTE:** Todd Hirsch (ATB Financial Economist/Futurist)

10:00 AM – Networking Break

10:30 AM – **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Stream 1 – The Future: Retail and Leasing – Panel including Michael Kehoe (Fairfield Commercial Real Estate) and Kieron Hunt (ICSC)

Stream 2 – Leadership: Leading Through Change – Making Hard Decisions – Dr. Robert Murray (GPRC)

Stream 3 – Innovation/Entrepreneurship – Opportunities in a Low Carbon Economy – Nathan Ashcroft

11:00 AM – Networking Break

11:30 AM – **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Stream 1 – Hydrogen Opportunities for Alberta – Energy Futures Lab – Maggie Hanna

Stream 2 – Leadership: Innovative Collaborations and Partnerships – Alberta Perspectives Platform – Ken Kobly, President & CEO and Jason Leslie, Communications Manager – Alberta Chambers of Commerce

Stream 3 – Innovation/Entrepreneurship – Value/Supply Chain Development – Jefferson Gardner (Inbridge)

12:15 PM – Networking Break

12:45 PM – PLENARY: Resilience and Mental Health – Dr.
Jody Carrington

1:30 PM – CLOSE

DAY 2

WED, FEB 17, 2021

8:30 AM – Welcome

9:00 AM – KEYNOTE: Leann Hackman-Carty – Master
Your Disaster

10:00 AM – Networking Break

10:30 AM – PLENARY: Government of Alberta – Ministers
TBA

11:00 AM – Networking Break

11:30 AM – PLENARY: Government of Alberta – Premier
Jason Kenney and Ministers TBA

12:15 PM – Networking Break

12:45 PM – KEYNOTE: Comedic Motivation – The
Debaters

1:30 PM – CLOSE

DAY 3

THU, FEB 18, 2021

8:30 AM – Welcome

9:00 AM – KEYNOTE: Alfredo Tan (SVP of Strategy and
Data for Rogers Sports)

10:00 AM – BREAK

10:15 AM – BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Stream 1 – The Future: Workplace – RBC – Humans
Wanted – Trent Waughtal (RBC)

Stream 2 – Leadership: Rural Recovery To Resilience –
Janice Otremba: “It’s Your Pool, Don’t Pee In It!”

Stream 3 – Innovation/Entrepreneurship – Fostering Innovators – Craig Elias (EIR – Mount Royal College)

11:15 AM – BREAK

11:30 AM – **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Stream 1 – The Future: Rural Winter/Shoulder Season Tourism – Connie Tombino – Twenty31 on behalf of Tourism Industry Association of Canada

Stream 2 – Leadership: Collaborating with Indigenous Communities – Carol Anne Hilton – Indigenomics

Stream 3 – Innovation/Entrepreneurship: Ag Tech – Joy Agnew (Associate VP Applied Research – Olds College)

12:30 PM – BREAK

12:45 PM – **KEYNOTE:** Futurist – The Crystal Ball – Daniel Lerner

1:30 PM – CLOSE

Schedule subject to change. The cost to attend this year's all-virtual conference is \$199 + GST. You can register via the link at the top of this page, or for more information please contact the Chamber of Commerce by phone 780-532-5340 or email info@gpchamber.com.

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Nichole Young

Subject: FW: Investigation costs

From: Grant Dixon <dixong@ae.ca>
Sent: February 2, 2021 1:58 PM
To: Jeff Johnston <jjohnston@townofbeaverlodge.onmicrosoft.com>
Subject: Investigation costs

Hi Jeff,

Here are the investigation costs (preliminary work) for the Beaverlodge WTP Upgrade :

Inspections/Studies	
Hazardous Material Inspections	\$10,000
Potable Reservoir Clean and Inspections	\$30,000
Disinfection Formation Potential Study	\$18,800
Raw Water Pipeline Inspection/Testing	\$25,000
Roof Inspections	\$5,000
Total	\$ 88,800

We will also have X-Cell Automation review the reporting at the WTP estimated at \$5,000.

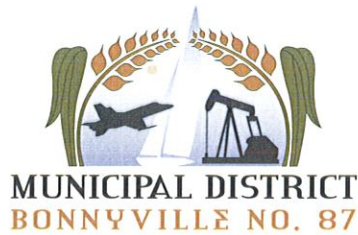
I hope this meets your needs,

Grant Dixon
Manager Alberta/BC
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As COVID-19 cases continue to increase, and to support the provincial government's and health authority's recommendations to limit interactions, our office will remain closed until further notice. Your projects are our priority. During this period, I am working on site. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

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January 20, 2021

Town of Beaverlodge
PO Box 30
Beaverlodge, AB T0H 0C0

RECEIVED
JAN 28 2021

Attn: Mayor and Council

RE: Need for a Stronger Western Canadian Municipal Advocate

The past few years have presented convincing evidence of the continued lack of advocacy and blatant disregard at the federal level for Western Canada's needs and one of its highly significant industries that impacts us all: the natural resources industry. Our Council here at the Municipal District of Bonnyville (M.D.) is beyond frustrated with this lack of effective representation that Western Canadian municipalities receive.

Currently, our only voice at the national table is that of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM). From their website, FCM states they "...advocate for municipalities to be sure their citizens' needs are reflected in federal policies and programs. Year after year, our work benefits every municipal government and taxpayer in Canada, and our programming delivers tools that help municipalities tackle local challenges."

Question: Do you feel that FCM advocates for the needs of your municipality or western Canada?

Question: Does the annual FCM Conference agenda/tours provide relevant value for your municipality?

Question: Are the needs of western Canada different than those of eastern Canada, and if so, is it time we entertain the idea of a WCM (Western Canadian Municipalities)?

To their credit, FCM did add a Western Economic Solutions Taskforce as one of their 15 program areas. Unfortunately, this initiative – which was created to mitigate the genuine alienation and hostility western Canadian municipalities experienced at the 2019 FCM Annual Conference held in Quebec City – has not produced any real results.

Our hope is that this letter will spark the much-needed conversation and potential solution to this long-standing issue. We sincerely request that you and your Council take the time to truly reflect on the level of service you are receiving from your current federal advocate. Are they truly the federal voice advocating for your citizens and your municipality?



The M.D. and many other communities across Alberta and western Canada are proud supporters and partners of the oil and gas industry. We wish to be a part of a solution that supports industry competitiveness rather than be forced to absorb Ontario's and Quebec's concepts of crippling changes that impact our municipal sustainability.

Thank you in advance for your Council's reflection on this topic and we look forward to hearing any feedback you may have.

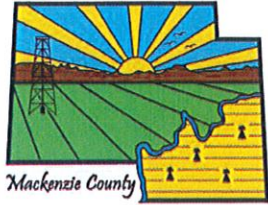
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Sawchuk". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and a long, sweeping underline.

Greg Sawchuk
Reeve

cc: Mr. Barry Morishita, President, Alberta Urban Municipalities Association
Mr. Paul McLauchlin, President, Rural Municipalities of Alberta

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January 27, 2021

The Honourable Jason Kenney
Premier of Alberta
307 Legislature Building
10800-97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB
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Dear Premier:

RE: REOPENING RECREATIONAL AND BUSINESS SERVICES

While we appreciate the work the government has done to ensure the safety of Albertans, we recognize the extreme toll the pandemic has taken on our residents, businesses and recreational centres.

We strongly urge the Provincial Government to reopen access to indoor recreational facilities, such as arenas, to the public and establish additional supportive public health guidelines. These could include allowing facility rentals for private functions.

Additionally, we urge the Provincial Government to reopen all business services as many are at risk of closing permanently and losing their livelihood. In our rural remote northern location, services such as restaurants are extremely limited. Reinstating in-person service will assist in sustainability into the future.

Again, we thank you for your efforts in keeping Albertans safe, and we look forward to having a conversation with you to discuss the specific needs of our communities. Please feel free to contact me at (780) 926-7405 or by email to josh@mackenziecounty.com.

Yours sincerely,

Josh Knelsen
Reeve

- c: Dr. Deena Hinshaw, Chief Medical Officer of Health
- Mr. Dan Williams, MLA Peace River
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta – Member Municipalities
- Alberta Urban Municipalities Association – Member Municipalities
- Mackenzie County Council
- La Crete Chamber of Commerce
- Fort Vermilion & Area Board of Trade
- High Level Chamber of Commerce

Minutes for the Town of Beaverlodge Economic Development Committee Meeting

Friday November 20, 2020 at 9:05AM

Chair – Terry Dueck

ATTENDANCE:

Tina Letendre – Acting Chief Administrative Officer	Terry Dueck – Chair - absent
Cyndi Corbett - Councillor	Tracy Ferguson – Member - absent
Kyla Martin	Tracy Brekkaas – Member - absent
Wael Ammar – Member	
Recording Secretary - Nichole Young & Iris Arberry	

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

- The meeting commenced at 09:05 AM. In Terry's absence, Cyndi chaired the meeting.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- The agenda was adopted as presented.

3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- The minutes from the November 5, 2020 meeting were adopted.

4.0 OLD BUSINESS:

- 4.1 Frequent Shoppers Survey to be sent to Businesses in January/February 2021

5.0 NEW BUSINESS:

- 5.1 **Committee Terms of Reference** – updated version presented and accepted. Moved by Wael to present to Council.
- 5.2 **Christmas Craze in Crazy Times– update.** Kyla has had positive feedback from the businesses regarding having Christmas Craze all month and not just one night. She also asked for suggestions for Light the Lodge categories and prizes. Some suggestions were, Most Decorated, Best Children's Display and Most Musical. Further suggestions to be emailed to her. Councillor Gena Jones has volunteered to be a Judge. Town of Beaverlodge will donate 2 COVID Masks and buff as prizes Chamber will purchase 10 Christmas Ornaments. Kyla will approach local businesses regarding gift cards as prizes. Nichole read an email from the Fire Department saying that they will provide a truck as long COVID protocols are in place. It was suggested that we contact Stan Berry to see if he would be Santa Claus. Nichole will phone him and get back to the Fire Chief. Cyndi Corbett will contact St Mary's school regarding children decorating the Town Tree and Beaverlodge Elementary has been approached and are on board. Schools will have designated times which will be advised by Town Office. Nichole and Iris will package candy for children trimming event.
- 5.3 **Christmas Ornament Update** – Council approved purchasing Town of Beaverlodge ornaments which will be sold at Town Office for \$10 each, and proceeds will go to the Beaverlodge Health

Complex. Tina showed the committee the design and it was well received. Cyndi will sell Ornaments at Farmers Market on 4 December.

6.0 ROUND TABLE:

- General discussion regarding sharing Cyndi sharing the Christmas Craze in crazy times poster with Grande Prairie Regional Tourist Association.

Next meeting:

- Thursday Dec 10th at 10:00 AM

7.0 ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 AM.



Chair, Terry Dueck



Item Number	Subject	Requested On	Committee	People Responsible	Item Notes	Status	Target Date of Completion
1	Land Use Bylaw	ongoing		CAO	The Town has received the draft Land use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plan for John Simpson. There is a review meeting with Mr. Simpson on February 3, 2021	In progress	May 2021
2	NW Parking Lot of Town Square	2017-03-27		CAO	Awaiting Land Titles Registration.	In progress	Spring 2021
3	Bylaw & Terms of Reference for Recreation & Public Works Committees	2017-10-30		CAO	CAO to complete bylaw & terms of reference for new committees	On Hold	Summer 2021
4	Hydrant Repairs	12-Nov-19		PW	There are 3 hydrants to repair, 11A St 5th Ave West & 6th Ave - 7th St & 10th St- 1st Ave	on hold	Spring 2021
5	Bulk Water Hose	23-Mar-20		Admin/PW	Removal of our bulk water hose and having customers bring their own. Discussed as part of the Phase 2 upgrade of the WTP.	On Hold	Spring 2021
6	10A St & Highway 43 (Subway Intersection)	22-Jun-20		CAO/Admin	Locate the engineered drawings and plans for the removal of water from this intersection.	On Hold	Spring 2021
7	Paint Road lines, angle parking lines & parking lot lines	4-Aug-20		PW	Crosswalks done. Centre lines, parking lot and angle parking lines to be painted downtown - delayed until spring.	on hold	Summer 2021
8	Set Meeting for PWSD land	14-Sep-20		Admin	Contact PWSB and the Chair of the Parents Advisory Council to set up a meeting with council to discuss the future use of the land located on 7th Ave between 10th & 11th Street. Letter regarding Council's preference to wait until in-person meetings are allowed was sent Jan 28, 2021.	on hold	Fall/Winter 2021
9	Set meeting about new Firehall	14-Sep-20		CAO	CAO is waiting for proposals from Beairsto & Assoc.	In progress	2/28/2021
10	Road Patching	28-Sep-20		Admin	Paving/Patching areas - all areas that were prepped were completed however the 8th Street area will not be done until next year.	on hold	Summer 2021
11	Town Limit Signs	28-Sep-20		PW	PW has received the signs and the Town has received approval from Alberta Transportation to install	on hold	Spring 2021
12	Repairs to Outdoor Rink	28-Sep-20		P&R / PW	Build benches and install a Port-A-Potti. Broken equipment has been removed and will need to be replaced as it is destroyed. Green building has been locked.	on hold	Summer 2021
13	Grande Prairie & District Catholic School Board	26-Oct-20		Admin	Set up a meeting with the Board to discuss St. Mary's Kitchen	In progress	2/28/2021
14	Highway 722	9-Nov-20		Admin	The Town has authority to set the speed limit on Highway 722 within Town boundaries. Council can direct Administration to change the speed limits at any time.	on hold	Spring 2021
15	Fencing	25-Jan-21		CAO/PW	Installation of a fence around the Water Treatment Reservoir.	on hold	Spring 2021
		Current as of:	2/8/2021				



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Council Activity Report

Period. January 2021

Council Name: Gena Jones		
January 11	Council meeting	Regular council meeting
January 14	Community Futures	Regular Board meeting
January 15	Meeting with CAO	Recreation Committee
January 19	Meeting with CAO	Phone call with MNP
January 25	Subdivision and Development	Board meeting
January 25	Town council	Regular council meeting



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Council Activity Report

Period: January, 2021

Council Name: Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus		
Date	Committee/Meeting Title	Comments/Purpose
Jan 11_2021	Town Council	Regular Council Meeting
Jan 12_2021	South Peace Physician Attraction and Retention	Quarterly Meeting – County Council Chambers
Jan 21_2021	Grande Spirit Foundation	Full Board Agenda review and updated new business
Jan 22_2021	Grande Spirit Foundation	Full Board Meeting Zoom from GSF Admin Office
Jan 25_2021	Subdivision & Development Appeal Board	Receive, review and approve applications for LUB discretionary land use.
Jan 25_2021	Town Council	Regular Council Meeting
Jan 28_2021	Grande Spirit Foundation	Advocacy Plan Review and Opening remarks to Spirit River Project Public Consultation



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Council Activity Report

Period: JANUARY 2021

Council Name: Cyndi Corbett		
Jan 11	Town Council	Regular Council Meeting
Jan 12	Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association Marketing Meeting	RFP motion to Board re current contract
Jan 12	WASP	Update to activity in our Region
Jan 25	Town Council	Regular Council Meeting
Jan 27	Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association	COVID-19 restrictions, two grants received, RFP passed