

MINUTES OF THE TOWN MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2013, IN THE SUNDRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Annette Clews, and Councillors Tony Jordan, Pat Toone, Paul Isaac, and Cheri Funke

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillors Myron Thompson and Chris Vardas

STAFF PRESENT:

Doug Wright, Interim CAO
Wanda Watson-Neufeld, Director of Corporate Services
Ron Baker, Director of Operational Services
Erin O'Neill, Manager, Planning and Development
Jacci Hager, Manager, Community Services
Kelly Starling, Economic Development Consultant
Anne-Marie Wolfe, Legislative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Annette Clews called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with a moment of reflection.

AGENDA:

Councillor Paul Isaac moved that the Governance Committee approve the agenda as presented.
CARRIED

MINUTES:

Councillor Pat Toone moved that the Governance Committee approve the Minutes of the July 8, 2013 Governance Meeting as presented. **CARRIED**

COUNCIL REPORT:

Round Table Discussions

Councillor Paul Isaac suggested it may be more helpful to give a more specific locality when alerting the public that a bear and cub have been spotted, instead of being ambiguous.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mrs. Gabrielle Grainger addressed the Governance Committee regarding the deferment or the decrease in their utility and taxes due to the house fire their property sustained in March 26 of this year.

Councillor Paul Isaac asked that an answer be brought forward for the Grainger's situation at the Monday, August 19, 2013 regular council meeting. **CARRIED**

Facility Operations

Jacci Hager, Manager, Parks and Recreation, discussed the facility operations with the Governance Committee. Dallas Rosevear, Sundre Minor Hockey, was also available for the presentation.

Discussion continued regarding the arena as well as the accessibility for users groups; particularly school groups as well as management of the arena. Query as to whether it should be run by a Society instead of the Town so that the Arena can become self-sufficient and create a profit instead of a deficit. Options would include tendering the care of the arena facility to an outside vendor.

Do we want to break even on the arena? Do we want to make a profit?

Councillor Paul Isaac would like to know how we could market the arena to other surrounding groups that are looking for ice time in order to facilitate the use of the arena.

Councillor Tony Jordan would like to see a more complete report that answers the question that has been put out there. That they would like to have more specific options and he would like to see potential savings and a more complete work up.

Mayor Annette Clews agreed and there was a directive that there be specific options brought forward in how to run the arena. There could be a potential tendering. Council would like to see how to save money with the Arena. Is there an expectation of capital? Mayor Clews would consider the Arena more like the library where we own the facility and an outside contractor would run the facility.

Councillor Pat Toone feels that the arena could be contracted out and be looked after and better maintained than it is currently.

We would like to have a more detailed report come forward for the September 9 Governance Meeting. Could the September 9 meeting include service levels, contributions, and tendering?

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**Policies**

Councillor Paul Isaac moved to defer these to the next Governance Committee Meeting on September 9, 2013. **CARRIED**

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT:**Community Building Program**

Kelly Starling, Economic Development Consultant, spoke to the Governance Committee regarding this government-funded program by discussing the benefits of receiving an affirmative in the application applying for this program.

Conference Report 2013 Alberta Government Finance Officers Association

Councillor Paul Isaac moved that the Governance Committee accept the reports as presented. **CARRIED**

RC Strategies Presentation

The Governance Committee gave direction to have the RC Strategies Presentation on the August 25th.

Mayor Annette Clews called a recess at 7:04 p.m.

Mayor Annette Clews reconvened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Councillor Paul Isaac moved to go In Camera at 7:10 p.m. **CARRIED**

Councillor Cheri Funke moved to come out of In Camera at 7:27 p.m. **CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT:

Councillor Cheri Funke moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. **CARRIED**



MAYOR

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

