



Council Workshop
Council Chambers
March 20, 2017
6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Deputy Mayor Vardas, Councillors: Paul Isaac, Verna McFadden, Nolan Blatchford, Myron Thompson

Absent: Mayor Leslie, Councillor Funke

Staff in attendance:

Al Harvey, Interim Chief Administrative Officer
Angie Lucas, Director of Planning and Operations
Vic Pirie, Director of Finance and Administration
Ian James, Community Services Manager
Marty Butts, Fire Chief
Cynthia Robey, Legislative Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Vardas called the Council Workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Modification to or Adoption of Agenda

Councillor Blatchford moved that the Town of Sundre Council adopt the March 20, 2017 Workshop Agenda, as presented. Carried

3. Adoption of Minutes

Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre adopt the March 6, 2017 Council Workshop Minutes, as presented. Carried

4. Update on Volunteer Event

Mr. Ian James, Community Services Manager, shared with Council the following updates:

- April 23 – 29, 2017 is recognized as *Volunteer Appreciation Week*.
- The Town of Sundre will partner with other association/groups within the catchment area.
- Volunteer Event is scheduled April 25, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 pm. It is anticipated that there will be approximately 200 participants.
- The coordinators of this special event are Ms. Tina Baker, from Alberta Health Services, and Ms. Barb Rock, Community Services Assistant.
- Invitations will be sent out in the near future, and Mr. James asked that all Council members please attend the event. RSVP's are asked to be in by April 13, 2017.
- An Elvis Presley impersonator has been scheduled to provide the entertainment.



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5. Municipal Excellence Awards – update/discussion

Mr. Al Harvey, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, provided Council with detailed background information about the Annual Minister's Award for Municipal Excellence, including an explanation of the adjudication process.

Legislative Services read a brief administration report to update Council with respect to the process of submitting a topic for consideration of an award. Council was informed that Legislative Services will present an RFD during the March 27, 2017 Regular Council Meeting to rescind Part 5 of Motion 70/17:

"Council asked Administration to prepare background information to create a presentation to Minister Anderson concerning Broadband and Recycling, and to bring the background information to a future Council Meeting for review and discussion."

The RFD presented during the March 27, 2017 Regular Council Meeting will cover: 1) Broadband is in the early stages of conception, so therefore submitting a request for consideration for the 2017 Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence would be premature. 2) The topic of Way-finding Signage will be suggested as an alternative topic for submission.

6. Report on Reserves - discussion

Administration asked Council to consider carefully five important points before Council makes a decision to move money around within Reserves or to spend the money in the Reserve accounts:

- 1) What are we doing this for?
- 2) Envelope versus Operations
- 3) Projects and costs
- 4) Transfer of dollars to Operations
- 5) Reserves are normally set up as part of your program audit

Administration introduced Mr. Vic Pirie, Director of Finance and Administration, who provided Council with a detailed overview of the contents of the report.

7. Future Topics for Council Workshop and Council Meeting Agendas:

Administration explained the box tracking system seen on the Workshop Agendas. Council asked for the inclusion of an additional column within the tracking box to include the scheduled date for when each topic will come back to Council for review and discussion. Council directed Administration to take

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all of the identified topics on the March 20, 2017 Agenda and add them to the April 3, 2017 Council Workshop Agenda for review and discussion.

Topics currently identified: there were no additional topics added.

Deputy Mayor Vardas gave Council an update concerning Mr. John Whitesell Sr.'s 100th year birthday party event to take place at the Sundre Museum on April 1, 2017. He indicated that Mr. Whitesell's family has extended an invitation to Council members to attend from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Mr. Whitesell has indicated that he wishes to have a plaque created to commemorate this special event.

Deputy Mayor Vardas called a recess at 7:55 p.m.

Council Workshop resumed at 8:03 p.m.

Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council go into In-Camera at 8:04 p.m. **CARRIED**

8. In-Camera

Legal – Contract - FOIPP Section 27
Legal – Land – FOIPP Section 16

Councillor McFadden moved that the Town of Sundre Council come out of In-Camera at 10:00 p.m.
CARRIED

9. Adjournment

Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council conclude the Workshop at 10:01 p.m.
Carried



Mayor

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

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Interim Chief Administrative Officer



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