

**MINUTES: OF THE FOURTEENTH REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL,
2020/2021 CONDUCTED THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS ON
TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021**

COUNCIL: DENNIS CASSIE MAYOR
RON LAGEMAAT DEPUTY MAYOR
HEATHER CALDWELL COUNCILLOR
BARBARA EDGEcombe-GREEN COUNCILLOR

STAFF: KIM HAUTA CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
LESLEY LEBLANC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE CAO

Mayor Cassie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

M#6687-21 Mayor Cassie moved the adoption of the Minutes of the Thirteenth Regular Meeting held May 18, 2021. Carried Unanimously

M#6688-21 Mayor Cassie moved the adoption of the Minutes of the Special Meeting held May 25, 2021. Carried Unanimously

Mayor Cassie recessed the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Mayor Cassie reconvened the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

M#6689-21 Deputy Mayor Lagemaat moved the adoption of the agenda as circulated, with the following amendments:
add: Opening Prayer after Call to Order.
Defeated
For: Deputy Mayor Lagemaat, Councillor Edgecombe-Green
Against: Mayor Cassie, Councillor Caldwell

M#6690-21 Mayor Cassie moved the adoption of the agenda as circulated, with the following amendments:
add: 9.e. Recreation Funding Agreement and Emergency Fire Suppression and Rescue Services Agreement (**CLOSED MEETING – SEC. 25 FOIP**)
Carried Unanimously

BUSINESS ARISING

1. Town of Redcliff, Village of Rycroft, Town of Falher, Town of Mayerthorpe: correspondence had been received from the Town of Redcliff, Village of Rycroft, Town of Falher and Town of Mayerthorpe regarding support for the RCMP.
2. Town of High River: Proposed Alberta Coal Restriction Policy

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M#6691-21 Mayor Cassie moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby supports the proposed Alberta Coal Restriction Policy, as prepared by the Town of High River. Carried
For: Mayor Cassie, Councillor Caldwell, Councillor Edgecombe-Green
Against: Deputy Mayor Lagemaat

BY-LAWS/REPORTS

The following reports were received and reviewed by Council:

1. Committee Minutes:

a. Community Sustainability/Enhancement Committee: held May 20, 2021

M#6692-21 Mayor Cassie moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby approve the application for funding, under the Community Grant Program, in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), to Coalhurst Parks and Recreation Society for a Movie in the Park event to be held on October 9, 2021. Carried Unanimously

b. Recreation and Culture Committee: held May 20, 2021

M#6693-21 Deputy Mayor Lagemaat moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby agrees to provide clerical support at and for the Recreation/Cultural Services Committee meetings. Carried Unanimously

M#6694-21 Councillor Edgecombe-Green moved that the Recreation/Cultural Services Committee members hereby be paid remuneration for attendance at regular Committee meetings, in accordance with Policy No. 11-01-01 – Remuneration, and that sub committee meetings be on a volunteer basis. Carried Unanimously

M#6695-21 Deputy Mayor Lagemaat moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby accepts the recommendation from the Recreation/Cultural Services Committee that, if funds allow, that the walking trails project continue on the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation District canal on the south side of 45 Avenue, as an addition to the proposed Phase I. Carried Unanimously

c. Policy/Bylaw Review Committee: held May 26, 2021

M#6696-21 Councillor Edgecombe-Green moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby refer the drafting of a Cat Bylaw similar to the Village of Stirling Responsible Cat Ownership Bylaw, to the Policy/Bylaw Review Committee for further consideration. Carried Unanimously

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M#6697-21 Councillor Caldwell moved that the Committee Minutes presented in this meeting are accepted. Carried Unanimously

2. CAO Report:

CAO Hauta presented a written report to Council.

i. CAO

- Fire Hall Addition
- Solar Energy Project
- COVID-19 Conference Call
- July and August 2021 Council Meetings

M#6698-21 Deputy Mayor Lagemaat moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hold one Regular meeting for the month of July 2021 on July 13, 2021 and for the month of August 2021 on August 10, 2021. Carried Unanimously

M#6699-21 Councillor Edgecombe-Green moved that the Chief Administrative Officer's Report is hereby accepted as presented. Carried Unanimously

3. Council Member Reports/Questions

In addition to the internal committee meetings already reported, Council members gave reports on their attendance at external Boards, seminars, asked questions and provided other information.

- a. Councillor Caldwell: opening prayer – In 2015 the Supreme Court of Canada ruled unanimously that while Councillors have the right to worship privately, as they see fit, they cannot begin Council meetings with prayers. They have a duty to maintain neutrality with respect to religion.
- b. Deputy Mayor Lagemaat: SouthGrow Regional Initiative Executive meeting – AGM in June

4. External Reports

- a. Community Futures Lethbridge Region: Phase 4 RRRF Funding

M#6700-21 Mayor Cassie moved that the External Reports presented in this meeting are accepted. Carried Unanimously

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CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Royal Canadian Legion re: Military Service Recognition Book
- b. Alberta Municipal Affairs re: MSI Funding
- c. AUMA re: Letter to Minister of Energy
- d. Director – Towns South, AUMA re: Update (**e-mail sent separately**)
- e. AUMA re: Municipal Affairs Answers Elections Questions
- f. AUMA re: Three Ways to Get More Women Involved in Local Government
- g. AUMA re: Serve on AUMA’s Municipal Financial Health Working Group
- h. AUMA re: New Provincial Plan Will Improve Safety for Pets During Evacuations
- i. AUMA re: Applications for AUMA’s Community Readiness for Newcomer Integration Project
- j. FCM re: President’s Corner
- k. FCM re: Your FCM Table Officer Candidates

M#6701-21 Deputy Mayor Lagemaat moved that the correspondence presented in this meeting is hereby acknowledged and filed. Carried Unanimously

OTHER BUSINESS

- a. County of Lethbridge Community Learning Council: Monetary Donation

M#6702-21 Deputy Mayor Lagemaat moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby refer the May 25, 2021 e-mail from the County of Lethbridge Community Learning Council in regards to a monetary donation for upcoming programs/events to the Recreation/Cultural Services Committee for their consideration. Carried Unanimously

- b. Rachael Harder, MP – Constituency of Lethbridge: Community Builders Award
- c. Calgary Family Peer Connections: Request for Support for Free Food Events
- d. Council Orientation Training: Approval

M#6703-21 Mayor Cassie moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby authorize Chief Administrative Officer Hauta to arrange a Council Orientation Training session, following the October 2021 election, in accordance with Section 201.1 of the Municipal Government Act, by Strategic Steps Inc. for the

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estimated price of Five Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$5,100.00), plus GST.
Carried Unanimously

M#6704-21 Mayor Cassie moved that Council close the meeting to the public for Agenda item 9.e. Recreation Funding Agreement and Emergency Fire Suppression and Rescue Services Agreement, as per Section 25 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, at 8:49 p.m. Carried Unanimously

M#6705-21 Mayor Cassie moved that Council return to open meeting at 9:14 p.m. Carried Unanimously

e. Recreation Funding Agreement and Emergency Fire Suppression and Rescue Services Agreement

M#6706-21 Deputy Mayor Lagemaat moved that the Council of the Town of Coalhurst hereby authorize Chief Administrative Officer Hauta to submit a letter to Lethbridge County requesting a resolve to the issue of an Emergency Fire Suppression and Rescue Services Agreement with the Town of Nobleford by June 30, 2021. Carried Unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

M#6707-21 Mayor Cassie moved the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. Carried Unanimously

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer