

**TOWN OF MAGRATH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024
6:00 PM**

Present at the meeting were Mayor Byrne Cook and the following Council members: Ken Baker, Gerry Baril, Josh Bourelle, Darryl Christensen, Cynthia Ralph and Aaron Zaugg; CAO James Suffredine, Operations Manager, Trevor Millward and Carolyn Law from Administration.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.
- 2) PRAYER OR REFLECTION – Councillor Bourelle
- 3) PUBLIC FORUM - none
- 4) DELEGATIONS – Magrath Museum
 - Museum President Ricks Smith presented the financial position, reviewed the museum's current projects, and requested an increase to the museum funding received from the Town.
- 5) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2024-04-08 Motion from Councillor Bourelle to adopt the agenda with the following additions:
8)g) Closed Session – Business Interests, Legal Advice
10)a) Alberta Environment and Protected Areas – 5-10% water reduction request

Carried

- 6) APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes: April 9, 2024

2024-04-09 Motion from Councillor Baril to approve the April 9, 2024 Regular Council Meeting minutes.

Carried

- 7) BUSINESS FROM MINUTES - none

- 8) NEW BUSINESS
 - a) MWG Group – Financial Statements

2024-04-10 Motion from Councillor Baril to accept the auditor's report as presented.
Carried

b) Charity Golf Tournament

2024-04-11 Motion from Councillor Christensen to award the 2024 Charity Golf Tournament to Magrath Minor Baseball. Carried

c) Library Board

- Councillor Christensen reported that the Library Board has been reviewing their policies and must submit them to the Government.
- The library has budgeted for and is purchasing some more shelving units.
- Some of the board members' terms are expiring and new appointments will need to be made.

2024-04-12 Motion from Councillor Christensen to appoint Brittany Kyle to the Library Board for an additional 3-year term. Carried

d) Community Disability Services Professional Appreciation Week

2024-04-13 Motion from Councillor Baker to officially recognize Disability Professional Services Week – May 20 – 26, 2024. Carried

e) Senior's Week Proclamation

2024-04-14 Motion from Councillor Baril to Proclaim the Town of Magrath's support for Senior's Week – June 3 – 9, 2024. Carried

f) Policy Review

2024-04-15 Motion from Councillor Baker to approve Policy CP-001 – Video Recording of Council Meetings Policy. Carried

2024-04-16 Motion from Councillor Ralph to approve Policy CP-002 – Council Computers Policy. Carried

2024-04-17 Motion from Councillor Bourelle to approve Policy CP-003 – Dealing with Complaints Policy. Carried

2024-04-18 Motion from Councillor Baker to approve Policy CP-004 – Encroachments Policy. Carried

2024-04-19 Motion from Councillor Zaugg to approve Policy CP-005 – Flag Policy.
Carried

2024-04-20 Motion from Councillor Ralph to approve Policy CP-007 – Burial
Services for Infants Policy.
Carried

2024-04-21 Motion from Councillor Baril to approve Policy CP-010 – Donations –
Received and Disbursed Policy.
Carried

g) Closed Session

- Business Interests [FOIPP Section
- Legal Advice [FOIPP Section

2024-04-22 Motion from Councillor Zaugg to enter closed session at 8:28 p.m.
Carried

2024-04-23 Motion from Councillor Baker to leave closed session at 8:46 p.m.
Carried

2024-04-24 Motion from Councillor Christensen to direct administration to make an
offer to purchase the land located at Block 31, Plan 3985J
Carried

9) FINANCIAL REPORTS

a) Payables Cheques #20240429 to #20240491

2024-04-25 Motion from Councillor Baker to approve the financial report as
presented.
Carried

10) CORRESPONDENCE

a) Alberta Environment and Protected Areas – 5-10% water reduction
request.

2024-04-26 Motion from Councillor Baril to accept the correspondence from Alberta
Environment and Protected Areas.
Carried

11) ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- CAO James Suffredine and Operations Manager Trevor Millward
attended a Public Risk Conference sponsored by Alberta Municipalities.
They attended information sessions facilitated by various legal firms and
found the session on wrongful termination very informative.

2024-04-27 Motion from Councillor Baker to accept the Administrator's Report.

Carried

12) COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

- a) Ken Baker
 - Magrath Days Celebration – the committee feels they are in a good position in the planning process and the activities are all coming together.
 - Recreation Committee – is gearing up for the Fishing Derby to be held on June 15, 2024.
- b) Gerry Baril – nothing to report.
- c) Josh Bouelle – nothing to report.
- d) Darryl Christensen – reported on the library earlier in the meeting. Nothing else to report.
- e) Cynthia Ralph – nothing to report.
- f) Aaron Zaugg
 - Museum
 - They are creating a booklet about the first 50 years of families that came to Magrath and are looking for assistance from the Town with printing costs or will also try to get donations or sponsors for this.
 - They are planning to hang a banner on the Red Barn advertising Magrath's 125th Anniversary.
 - They are looking for ways to involve MLA Glen Motz, MP Joe Schow and Mayor Cook in commemorating the 125th anniversary.

13) MAYOR'S REPORT

- Joe Cook from the LDS Church has had some success in recruiting volunteers for Emergency Training and is still working on getting more people willing to participate in Emergency Preparedness.
- Gave a reminder that Thursday evening is the Town Hall Meeting with MLA Glen Motz along with Town and County Councils.

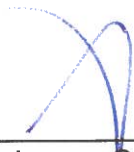
14) ADJOURNMENT

2024-04-28 Motion from Councillor Ralph to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Carried



Mayor Byrne Cook



CAO James Suffredine