

**Town of Drumheller
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

October 5, 2015 at 4:30 PM
Council Chamber, Town Hall
224 Centre Street, Drumheller, AB, T0J 0Y4



PRESENT:

ACTING MAYOR Tom Zariski

COUNCIL:

Jay Garbutt
Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk
Patrick Kolafa
Tara McMillan
Sharel Shoff
Tom Zariski

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ENGINEER:

Ray Romanetz

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES:

Barb Miller

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Paul Salvatore

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES:

Greg Peters

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Linda Handy

ABSENT:

Mayor Terry Yemen
Director of Infrastructure Services Al Kendrick

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Tom Zariski called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

2.0 MAYOR'S OPENING REMARK

Acting Mayor Tom Zariski congratulated the Town staff and organizers for their efforts in hosting a successful Grey Matters Conference. He stated that a conference as

impressive as Grey Matters was the fulfillment of what was envisioned for the Badlands Community Facility.

Acting Mayor Tom Zariski advised that he and Mayor Terry Yemen attended the 50th Anniversary of the Dinosaur Trail Golf and Country Club – a golf course that is highly regarded by residents and tourists.

Acting Mayor Tom Zariski thanked the organizers of October Fest for hosting a successful event at the Badlands Community Facility with the dollars raised going to the Drumheller Fire Department.

Acting Mayor Tom Zariski thanked PW staff for their efforts on the landscaping of the north corridor. He stated that the trees, shrubs and rock greatly improve the north corridor. R. Romanetz advised that this landscaping project completes this year's beautification program and other priorities will be identified for 2016 as well as following through with partnerships for landscaping.

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MO2015.135 Hansen-Zacharuk, Shoff moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Carried unanimously.

5.0 MINUTES

5.1. ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

5.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2015

MO2015.136 Kolafa, Garbutt moved to adopt the regular Council Meeting minutes of September 21, 2015 as presented. Carried unanimously.

5.2. MINUTES OF MEETING PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION

5.3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.0 DELEGATIONS

6.1 Drumheller Skateboard Park - Brooke Christianson and Trevor Gough

R. Romanetz advised that B. Christianson cancelled the presentation for today and has agreed to reschedule for the October 19th Council Meeting. He further stated that the Town will submit an application under ATCO's Community Funding Program for additional enhanced lighting and a security system for the Drumheller Skateboard Park. The maximum dollars granted under their program is \$5000.00.

7.0 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS

8.1. CAO

8.2. DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

8.3. DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

8.3.1 RFD - 2015 Tax Recovery Public Auction

B. Miller advised that as part of the tax recovery process under the Municipal Government Act, properties with a tax caveat registered against them must be offered for public auction one year after the date of the tax caveat. She further advised that as part of this process, Council must set the terms and reserve bids for the properties as listed.

MO2015.137 Shoff, Hansen-Zacharuk moved that Council set the assessed value as the reserve bid price for properties for the January 22, 2016 tax recovery auction and furthermore, the successful bidder must pay via cash, or cash equivalent.

Clarification on the Motion:

In response to questions from Council, B. Miller explained that in most circumstances as soon as the mortgage companies receive notice of the arrears, payment is usually received. She further explained that last year only one property remained on the tax recovery list. Councillor L. Hansen-Zacharuk asked Administration to explain the other options for payment of taxes. B. Miller stated that another way to pay is to enrol in our monthly instalment plan; this allows the Town of Drumheller to automatically withdraw the payment from your bank account each month or you can register for the pre-payment method and receive a discount for early payment (3.5% for payment of taxes received January 1st – 31st and 3.0% for payment of taxes received from February 1st – 28th). R. Romanetz advised that if the property taxes are not paid (on time), a five percent penalty will be levied starting September 1 and another five percent penalty on November 2 and all arrears (prior year) are subject to a monthly penalty of 0.75 percent or nine percent per annum, calculated on the first day of each month.

8.4. DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.5. DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES

9.0 PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION

10.0 PUBLIC HEARING DECISIONS

11.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

13.0 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

14.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS

There being no further business, the Acting Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM.

Acting Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer