



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers
February 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE:

<u>COUNCIL</u>	Crystal McAteer Boyd Langford Brent Anderson Josh Lambert Mark Liboiron Terry Jessiman Jan Welke	Mayor Deputy Mayor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor
<u>STAFF</u>	Clark McAskile Jeri Phillips Ruth Rolfe Keith Straub Jena-Raye Clark Bill Schnarr Charles Carstens Sandra Beaton	Chief Administrative Officer Director of Finance & Administration Director of Community Services Director of Operations Community Development Manager Communications Coordinator Human Resources / IT Municipal Clerk/Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McAteer called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2.1 Regular Meeting Agenda for
February 27, 2023

Resolution# 061-23

Moved by Councillor Jessiman

THAT Council adopt the February 27, 2023 Meeting Agenda with the
move of Item 13.2 to Item 18.2, Item 18.2 then becomes 18.3.

CARRIED

3. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Amanda Dachuk, Exec Dir,
High Level Native Friendship Centre;
and Ruth Rolfe, Exec Dir of Community
Services, Town of High Level

An overview of the High Level Native Friendship Centre Cultural Park
and Museum History Walk was delivered to Council.

5. DELEGATIONS

None.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

6.1 February 13, 2022 Regular
Council Meeting unapproved minutes.

Resolution# 062-23

Moved by Councillor Jessiman

THAT Council approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of
February 13, 2023 as circulated.

CARRIED

7. DELEGATION BUSINESS

None.

8. MAYOR'S REPORT

8.1 Mayor's report

February 14 – 27

Feb 08 – Regional Economic Development Initiative

Feb 16 – High Level & District Chamber of Commerce (Chamber of Commerce)

Feb 22 – Growing the North Conference 2023

Feb 22 – Canadian Rail Advocacy Alliance

Feb 23 – Growing the North 2023 Conference

Feb 24 – Northern Alberta Elected Leaders

Feb 25 – Frostival

Feb 25 – Platinum Jubilee Awards

Resolution# 063-22

Moved by Councillor Anderson

THAT Council accept the Mayor's report for information.

CARRIED

9. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

9.1 Committee reports on which

Councillors are appointed:

- Deputy Mayor Langford
- Councillor Anderson
- Councillor Jessiman
- Councillor Liboiron
- Councillor Lambert
- Councillor Welke

Deputy Mayor Langford:

Feb 15 – Regional Economic Development Initiative

Feb 16 – High Level & District Chamber of Commerce (Chamber of Commerce)

Feb 22 – Golden Range Society

Feb 24 – Northern Alberta Elected Leaders (Virtual)

Feb 25 – High Level RCMP and Community Policing Society
Regimental Ball (RCMP Ball)Councillor Anderson:

Feb 16 – High Level & District Chamber of Commerce (Chamber of Commerce)

Feb 22-23 – Growing the North Conference 2023

Councillor Jessiman:

Feb 16 – High Level & District Chamber of Commerce (Chamber of Commerce)

Feb 24 – Child Advocacy Centre Steering Committee

Feb 25 – High Level RCMP and Community Policing Society
Regimental Ball (RCMP Ball)Councillor Lambert:

Feb 16 – High Level & District Chamber of Commerce (Chamber of Commerce)

Feb 25 – Frostival

Feb 25 – High Level RCMP and Community Policing Society
Regimental Ball (RCMP Ball)Councillor Liboiron:Feb 16 – Elected Official Education Program (EOEP), Municipal
Corporate Planning and Finance

Feb 22-23 – Growing the North Conference 2023
 Feb 23 – EOEP, Municipal Corporate Planning and Finance
 Feb 25 – Peace Library System
 Feb 25 – High Level RCMP and Community Policing Society
 Regimental Ball (RCMP Ball)

Councillor Welke:

Feb 16 – High Level & District Chamber of Commerce (Chamber of Commerce)
 Feb 21 – Northwest Regional FASD Board meeting

Resolution# 064-23

Moved by Councillor Liboiron

THAT Council accept the Council Committee Reports for information.

CARRIED

10. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

10.1 Council's Action List

Resolution# 065-23

Moved by Deputy Mayor Langford

THAT Council accept the Action List for information.

CARRIED

10.2 Capital Project Status Report

Resolution# 066-23

Moved by Councillor Welke

THAT Council accept the Capital Project Status Report for information.

CARRIED

10.3 Finance Report Quarter 4 –
 December 31, 2022

Resolution# 067-23

Moved by Deputy Mayor Langford

THAT Council accept the Finance Report Quarter 4, December 31, 2022 for information.

CARRIED

11. ADMINISTRATIVE INQUIRIES

None.

12. OLD BUSINESS

12.1 RFD: Maintenance of Mackenzie
 North Railway

Resolution# 068-23

Moved by Councillor Anderson

THAT the Town of High Level send a letter to Canadian National Railway specific to populated areas regarding the maintenance of Mackenzie North Railway; and
 FURTHER, THAT Administration notify Mackenzie County and Town of Rainbow Lake.

CARRIED

12.2 Water and Wastewater Agreement
 with the Dene Tha' First Nation
 - Tabled from the Feb 13/2022 Regular
 Meeting

Resolution# 069-23

Moved by Councillor Jessiman

THAT the Town of High Level enter into the Water and Wastewater Agreement with the Dene Tha' First Nation for services to the Bushe

River Reserve be entered into as presented in the February 13, 2023, request for decision.

CARRIED

12.3 RFD: Tourism Development
Strategy Updated – February 2023

Resolution# 070-23

Moved by Deputy Mayor Langford

THAT Council approve the updated three-year Tourism Development Strategy as presented, and have administration bring back the framework for a new plan; and
FURTHER, THAT Administration resume discussions with the hotels regarding fees as discussed.

CARRIED

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 RFD: Banner of Remembrance
Committee Member Appointments

Pursuant to MGA s. 172, Councillor Welke declared a pecuniary interest in that his spouse has been nominated for a committee appointment. He left the meeting at 8:03 pm.
Councillor Welke returned to the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Resolution# 071-23

Moved by Mayor McAteer

THAT Council having appointed Councillor Dwyer and Councillor Welke to the Banner of Remembrance Committee at the organizational meeting Oct 25, 2021, and Councillor Liboiron on October 22, 2022 (removing Councillor Dwyer) now move to appoint the Banner of Remembrance Committee members as follows:

- Geoffrey Myers - Representative of Enforcement Agency -new 2-year term – Nov 2024
- Maher Naji – Representative of Enforcement Agency -new 2 year term – Nov 2024
- Cheryll Welke – Member at Large -renewal - 2-year term – Nov 2024
- Randy Hume – Veteran – renewal - 2-year term – Nov 2024

Remove:

- Councillor Dwyer and Scott Chandler – Veteran

CARRIED

14. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

14.1 Email from Sandra Friesen-Peters
- Supports to Early Learning & Child
Care Program

Resolution# 072-23

Moved by Councillor Anderson

THAT Council provide the letter of support to the Supports to Early Learning & Child Care Programs as drafted and presented to Council.

CARRIED

15. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

15.1 ToHL – Support letters re two applications for funding to the Forest Resource Improvement Assoc. of Alberta

15.2 Regional Economic Development Initiative meeting minutes from January 18, 2023

15.3 Alberta Utilities Commission Transmission Rates Decision – Proceeding 26911, Jan 31, 2023

15.4 Rural Charities AGLC Gaming Revenue Equality email, Feb 14, 2023

Resolution# 073-23

Moved by Councillor Jessiman
 THAT Council accept items 15.1 to 15.4 for information.

CARRIED

16. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

None.

17. QUESTION PERIOD**18. CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor McAteer thanked the viewers ending the public portion of the meeting and requested a motion to move into closed session.

Resolution# 074-23

Moved by Councillor Liboiron
 THAT Council move into closed session at 8:07 p.m., pursuant to FOIP sections, 24 and 27, respectively.

CARRIED

Per section 197(6) of the MGA, the following individuals remained in closed session:

Elected officials – C. McAteer, B. Langford, B. Anderson, T. Jessiman, J. Lambert, M. Liboiron, and J. Welke; and
 Staff – C. McAskile and R. Rolfe.

R. Rolfe left the closed session at 8:30 p.m.

C. McAskile left the closed session at 8:34 p.m.

C. McAskile returned to the closed session at 9:43 p.m.

Resolution# 075-23

Moved by Councillor Anderson
 THAT Council move out of closed session at 9:44 p.m.

CARRIED

18.1 Human Resources, CAO to provide information to Council - Advice from officials, per FOIP, Part 1, Division 2, s. 24(1)(b)(i).

18.2 RFD: Support to the High Level District Chamber of Commerce (Moved from Item 13.2) Advice from officials, per FOIP, Part 1, Division 2, s. 24(1)(d) and (g)

Resolution# 076-23

Moved by Councillor Lambert
 THAT Council provide the High Level and District Chamber of Commerce with funding for administrative support, contingent on the High Level and District Chamber of Commerce securing administrative support and completing deliverables established by the Council for the Town of High Level.

CARRIED

18.3 Legal – Personnel

Privileged information, pursuant to FOIP
Part 1, Division 2, s. 27(1)(a) and (b)(iii)

19. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution# 077-23

Moved by Councillor Welke

THAT Council adjourn the February 27, 2023 Regular Council meeting
at 9:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Municipal Clerk