

MINUTES
TOWN OF SEXSMITH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY JANUARY 16, 2023

Mayor Potter called this Regular Council Meeting of Town Council to order at
6:31 p.m. at the Sexsmith Council Chambers

**COUNCIL
PRESENT**

Kate Potter
Bruce Black
Jonathan Siggelkow
Dennis Stredulinsky
Daycie Bohning
Ken Hildebrand
Clint Froehlick

Mayor
Councillor
Deputy Mayor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor

COUNCIL ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Rachel Wueschner
Hasan Akhtar
Alex Worries

Chief Administrative Officer
Assistant CAO
Administrative Assistant

**ADOPTION OF
AGENDA**

RESOLUTION NO. 634-01-23

Moved by Councillor Hildebrand that the agenda for this meeting be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

**EMERGENT
TOPICS**

PUBLIC SESSION

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

RESOLUTION 635-01-23

Moved by Councillor Froehlick that the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated December 5, 2022 be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 635-01-23

Moved by Councillor Hildebrand that the Budget Meeting Minutes dated December 6, 2022 be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

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RESOLUTION 636-01-23

Moved by Councillor Froehlick that the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes dated December 12, 2022 be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

**2023 STREET
IMPROVEMENT
PROJECTS**

RESOLUTION 637-01-23

Moved by Councillor Froehlick to tender the 99 Avenue and 93 Street Ditch project as detailed in the improvement site report provided by the engineer as the 2023 Street Improvement Project to be funded through grant funding.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Siggelkow to remove the relining project and video inspection project listed under street improvement reserve projects in the 5 year capital plan and to fund these projects through grant funding.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL
DISCRETIONARY
BUDGET**

RESOLUTION 638-01-23

Moved by Councillor Black to accept the changes to the Council Remuneration and Meeting Attendance policies as presented for addition to the policy manual.

CARRIED

**GRANDE PRAIRIE
SPORT
CONNECTION
VOTING
MEMBERSHIP**

RESOLUTION 639-01-23

Moved by Councillor Siggelkow,

WHEREAS, socio-economic benefits to sport, including reduced health care costs, sport-related consumer expenditure, sport-related consumer employment, sport tourism, and the economic impact of sport events, including minor and spectator events are proven;

AND WHEREAS, Grande Prairie Regional Sport Connection supports and promotes the growth and enhancement of sport in the Grande Prairie region.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Sexsmith upgrade its directorship status to that of a voting member by paying annual membership fees in the amount of \$4000.

CARRIED

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**NORTHERN
REGIONAL
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM GRANT**

RESOLUTION 640-01-23

Moved by Councillor Froehlick that,

WHEREAS the Northern and Regional Economic Development Program is designed to foster investment in economic development infrastructure and economic development capacity building among other objectives;

AND WHEREAS the Town's Development Design Standards and Land Use Bylaw Project would further strengthen sustainability and resiliency, including economic development and diversification;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the council of the Town of Sexsmith approve submission of application for the NRED Grant in the amount of \$60,000 as presented.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

**REBRANDING
SEXSMITH**

RESOLUTION NO. 641-01-23

Moved by Councillor Black that,

WHEREAS, rebranding will keep Sexsmith's brand current and it will set the Town apart from the competition while presenting a memorable impression;

AND WHEREAS, significant investment of the Town's resources will be required along with stakeholder support.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the rebranding project be assigned to EDAC in partnership with the Sustainability Committee for further planning and resourcing with a final polished recommendation being brought back to Council for consideration

CARRIED

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**PRED-NTAB
LETTER OF
FINANCIAL
SUPPORT**

RESOLUTION NO 642-01-23

Moved by Councillor Stredulinsky,

WHEREAS, railways are critical infrastructures that are necessary for transporting goods for the landlocked Alberta in general and for the relatively less developed Grande Prairie Region in particular;

AND WHEREAS, poor railway service is having a negative impact on communities throughout rural Alberta.

AND WHEREAS, our most important industries, including energy, agriculture, and forestry, are suffering from unreliable service;

AND WHEREAS, the forgoing undermine competitiveness, tarnishes our region's reputation as a reliable supplier, and harms local jobs.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a \$1,000 contribution be approved as a part of the Town of Sexsmith's budget for Economic Development to begin the cooperative process with the coalition partners to lobby at the federal and provincial levels, and with railways themselves, for better service.

CARRIED

**SENIORS
KITCHEN
PROGRAM
REQUEST**

RESOLUTION NO 643-01-23

Moved by Councillor Froehlick to add \$3,000 to the 2023 Wellness operational budget for the senior's kitchen program.

CARRIED

**2022 AQUATERA
DIVIDEND
DECLARATION**

RESOLUTION NO 644-01-23

Moved by Councillor Hildebrand to approve the 2022 discretionary dividends issuance as per the attached resolution recommendation from Aquatera Utilities.

Pursuant to Article 10.04.01 of the Unanimous Shareholders Agreement ("USA") dated 23 February 2018 among THE CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE, THE COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE NO.1, THE TOWN OF SEXSMITH and AQUATERA UTILITIES INC. ("Corporation") with respect to the Corporation, the undersigned shareholders of the Corporation hereby consent to the Board of the Corporation declaring dividends with respect to the Corporation's Class "D" Preferred Shares, Class "F" Preferred Shares, and Class "H" Preferred Shares and providing for payment of such dividends on or prior to 31 March 2023, notwithstanding the stipulations in Articles 8 and 10 of the USA

CARRIED

**AQUATERA
FRANCHISE
AGREEMENT –
RENEWAL**

RESOLUTION NO 645-01-23

Moved by Councillor Black to bring the Aquatera Franchise Agreement to a future Council meeting for approval.

CARRIED

Mayor Potter declared a break 8:00 p.m. – returned 8:11 pm

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**SEXSMITH
CURLING CLUB
FARMERS
BONSPIEL**

RESOLUTION NO 646-01-23

Moved by Councillor Hildebrand,
That the town support the Sexsmith Curling Club Farmers Bonspiel with a Gold Sponsorship in the Amount of \$750 and to donate a prize valued at \$100 to support this event.

CARRIED

**TOWN MANGER
REPORT &
ACTION LIST**

RESOLUTION NO 647-01-23

Moved by Councillor Hildebrand to accept the Town Manger's Report as presented.

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION

**FINANCIAL
REPORTS**

**INFORMATION
ITEMS**

RESOLUTION NO 648-01-23

Moved by Councillor Hildebrand to accept the Information items for information only.

CARRIED

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

RESOLUTION NO 649-01-23

Moved by Councillor Froehlick to accept the Committee Reports for Information items only.

CARRIED

ROUND TABLE

ADJOURNMENT

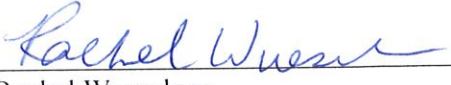
RESOLUTION NO. 650-01-23

Moved by Councillor Froehlick to adjourn meeting at 9:01 p.m.

CARRIED



Kate Potter, Mayor



Rachel Wueschner
Chief Administrative Officer