

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
Tuesday, March 28, 2023 2:00 pm
Council Chambers

Present: Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

Staff: CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order, the time being 2:00 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that the agenda for the March 28, 2023 be amended to include:

- 3) New Business – Gravel/Plow Truck
- 4b) Beaver Mines Project Update – FOIP Sec. 23.1.a
- 5) Dates for Strategic Plan Workshop

AND THAT, the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Delegations

a) Sunrise Solar Project

Mike Peters, Director of Public Affairs, Isabelle Deguise, Senior Director Business Development, and Robin Moffat with Evolgen attended the meeting at this time to discuss a potential project. Evolgen is proposing the 98MW Sunrise Solar Project, to be located in the Municipal District of Pincher Creek, North-West of the town of Pincher Creek.

The Project has been under development since 2021 with environmental baseline studies completed in 2022. Stakeholder consultations and permit applications will occur in early 2023 and Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) Power Plant Approval is expected by the end of 2023. Currently they are nearing the end of Stage 2 in the AESO interconnection process.

Evolgen is hosting their first stakeholder consultation to introduce the project and gain feedback tonight, March 28, 2023 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Heritage Inn.

Members of Evolgen left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:02 pm.

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b) Climate Vulnerability Study

Tristan Walker, Municipal Energy Project Lead, attended the meeting at this time to present the Climate Vulnerability Study. The purpose of this study is to analyze future climate risks (identify local risks/future climate projections/cost of disasters) and to develop adaptation plan (recommended adaptation measures/cost of adaptation measures/recommended timelines). Tristan also covered the findings from the study. There will be an open house hosted on April 13, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Heritage Inn.

Tristan Walker left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:32 pm.

3. New Business

Jonathon Gaydos Public Works Road Foreman, attended the meeting at this time, the time being 3:32 pm.

a) Gravel/Plow Truck

Council had questions regarding the 2023 budget approval to purchase a new truck with gravel box, plow attachment and sand box. Further information will be brought back to Council at the next meeting.

Jonathon Gaydos left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:57 pm.

4. Closed Session

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:04 pm:

- a) 2023 Property Tax Discussion – Part 2 Overview - FOIP Sec 24.1.a
- b) Beaver Mines Project Update – FOIP Sec. 23.1.a

Carried

Councillor Tony Bruder

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 4:55 pm.

Carried

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5. Round Table

a) Strategic Plan Workshop Dates

Council discussed strategic plan workshop dates for May 2023. Schedules worked for May 4 and 5, 2023. Administration to advise consultants and follow up with Council.

6. Adjournment

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that the Committee Meeting adjourn, the time being 5:07 pm.

Carried



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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER