

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

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

Staff: CAO Roland Milligan, 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 May 9, 2023 be amended to include:

Closed Session:

- a) CUPE Negotiations – FOIP Sec. 24.1.b.i
- b) AHS Update – FOIP Sec. 16.1.a.ii

AND THAT, the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

2. Delegations

a) Pinch-o-Crow Creekers

Chuck Lee, with the Pinch-o-Crow Creekers, attended the meeting at this time to discuss Lake and River Access in the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9. Watersports continue to be a popular recreation activity for all ages. Paddling Sports are in the top 12 sport activities in Alberta ahead of soccer and hockey and other traditional sports. SW Alberta is blessed with great lakes and a variety of rivers to paddle on. We have 18 major river runs and over 200 km to choose from Class I to IV. This is more than any other rural municipality in Alberta. Add in the 8 creek runs and 8 river runs in Waterton, Crowsnest Pass and Ranchlands and the opportunity to paddle here in Southwest Alberta is amazing.

Chuck Lee presented to Council a list of locations, priorities and infrastructure that he would see as beneficial to the MD in regards to enhancing recreation and environmental concerns.

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Council requested a detailed map showing the areas discussed, and will look into the proposal at a later time.

b) South Canadian Rockies Tourism Association

Erin Fairhurst, Randy Fehr, Cole Faucette, Sacha Anderson, and Marie Everts attended the meeting to discuss what South Canadian Rockies Tourism Association does for tourism in the region.

The association is looking to collaborate with the MD to work on a plan to benefit tourism within our area, while still respecting the MD's vision to manage growth and support western heritage while preserving the natural environment.

Chuck Lee, Erin Fairhurst, Randy Fehr, Cole Faucette, Sacha Anderson, and Marie Everts left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:12pm.

c) SASCI

James Van Leeuwen with SASCI attended the meeting at this time to discuss a potential Energy Outreach Program. SASCI has secured \$10,000 USD from local wind energy producer, Enel Greenpower, to help establish a position for Renewable Energy Specialist (RES) under SASCI.

The RES position will focus on helping the community build its capacities to adapt to and capitalize on the rapidly unfolding global energy transition. The RES position will begin as a part-time contract position with < 20 hours per month, scaling up to a full-time contract position over time. SASCI will invest the Enel funding in an initial scope of work to explore and map energy-related awareness, interest and literacy throughout the community and raise awareness of related opportunities.

SASCI would like to partner with the Town/MD and utilize the current Municipal Energy Project Lead.

James Van Leeuwan, Laura McKinnon and David Desibrais left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:33 pm.

3. Closed Session

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 3:37 pm:

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Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 4:32 pm.

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4. Round Table

5. Policy Discussion – C-FIN-537 Credit Card

Council discussed the changes within the proposed revised policy. Council will add the policy to the Council meeting for final approval.

6. Adjournment

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that the Committee Meeting adjourn, the time being 4:55 pm.

Carried



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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER