

VILLAGE OF EMPRESS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Empress was held via Zoom on Wednesday December 15, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS
PRESENT

Mayor – Martin Jarvis
Deputy Mayor – Dan Moslamani
Councillor Clint Steinley

CAO/ Recording Secretary – Debbie Ross
Webinar Coordinator - Tamara Ravenwood

CALL TO ORDER

The regular council meeting was called to order by Mayor Jarvis at 7:34 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Steinley to adopt the December 15, 2021 agenda as amended.

Under 5) Delegations:

Dave Durand 7:30

Carman Cooper 8:00

Under 11) Confidential Items per FOIP Regulations 18(1) b) personal information of an individual, including an employee of a public body

C318-15-12-2021

CARRIED

DAVE DURAND

Addressing Council with regard to 3 topics.

- 1. Council Meetings held at Community Center**
- 2. Dog Tags**
- 3. Purchasing of Fuel**

CARMAN COOPER

Addressing Council regarding selling of old hotel located on 8 lots for a total price of \$2500.00

ADOPTION OF
MINUTES

RESOLUTION by Mayor Jarvis that the Village of Empress adopts the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of November 25, 2021 as presented

C319-15-12-2021

CARRIED

PALLISER
ECONOMIC
PARTNERSHIP

Councillor Steinley reported on the Palliser Economic Partnership Meeting he attended by zoom December 10, 2021.

FININCIAL
REPORTS

Council was provided with the financial position, and budget to actual report.

CAO REPORT

Council was provided with the CAO action report

PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT

Council was provided with a written Public Works report, as well the Public Works Foreman was in person to answer any questions of Council.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

<p><u>FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT</u> C320-15-12-2021</p>	<p>Council was provided a written report from the Empress Volunteer fire department</p> <p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Jarvis to accept the written and verbal reports of Council and staff for information purposes as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p>DOG BYLAW 5-2018 C321-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Moslamani that the Schedule A License fees be amended for male and female dogs spayed or neutered, and all male or female dogs between 3-6 months be amended from 15.00 down to 10.00 dollars, and that male or female dogs not spayed or neutered be amended from 30.00 to 10.00.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DEFEATED</p> <p>Deputy Mayor Moslamani requested the dog bylaw be returned to the agenda in January to review the remaining bylaw.</p>
<p>POLICY 11-01 COUNCILLOR EXPENSE POLICY</p>	<p>Council reviewed Policy 11-01 being the Councillor Expense Policy and recommended no changes.</p>
<p>AGENDA ITEM 8 a) iv & v C322-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Steinley to move items for Organizational Structure Policy and Procedural Bylaw to the February Council meeting after all new Councillor members have had their training.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p>OFFER TO PURCHASE LOTS 21-28 BLK 9 PLAN 5043AV</p>	<p>Council received an offer to purchase lots 21-28 Block 9 Plan 5043AV, for \$2500. Council advertised the proposed sell of the property below market value as required by MGA Section 70(1)(a). Council received a second offer on the property for \$5000.00. Council also received several letters and a petition with 28 signatures that the CAO reviewed and declared sufficient as per MGA section 226(1). In accordance with section 231 (5) Council decided not to proceed with the proposed resolution.</p>
<p>C323-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Steinley that the Council of the Village of Empress request further investigation into this property including whether it is salvageable, and 3 quotes on rehabilitating this property if possible.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p>OFFER TO PURCHASE LOTS 28-31 BLK 8 PLAN 5043AV C324-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Moslamani that the Council of the Village of Empress accept the offer to purchase of \$70,000.00 for Lots 28-31 Block 8 Plan 5043AV with the following conditions until fully paid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No Pets -3 character references -Right to inspect property every 4 months while renting at tenants convenience -No alterations to property without prior consent of Village and must be done by a professional contractor -Responsible for utilities, taxes and insurance -No subletting -Must follow all Municipal Bylaws <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">_____ Mayor</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">_____ Chief Administrative Officer</p>

<p>DRAFT TRAFFIC BYLAW C325-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Steinley to table item 8a) viii being the draft Traffic Bylaw, to the next Council meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p>COUNCIL TRAINING C326-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Jarvis that the remaining Council members – Mayor Jarvis and Deputy Mayor Moslamani register and take the Muni 101 webinar training January 6, 13, 20, & 27, 2021 in Acadia Valley, as required by the Village of Empress Code of Conduct Bylaw 1-2018</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>2022 OPERATING BUDGET AND 2022-2024 3 YEAR OPERATING PLAN</u> C327-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Moslamani that the Council of the Village of Empress approve the 2022-2024 3 year operating plan and the 2022 operating budget as presented</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>2022 CAPITAL BUDGET</u> C328-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Jarvis that the Council of the Village of Empress approve the 2022 capital budget as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>10 YEAR MYCIP AND 5 YEAR CAPITAL PLAN</u> C329-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Steinley that the Council of the Village of Empress approve the 2022-2030 Municipal Multi Year Capital Infrastructure Plan and the 2022-2026 5 year Capital Plan as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p>C330-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Moslamani that the Village of Empress move an additional \$35,000.00 into a GIC to have a total of \$235,000.00 in GIC for potential use on the water tower replacement project.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>TAX SALE</u> C331-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Jarvis that the Council of the Village of Empress become the owner of:</p>
<p><u>AGENDA ITEMS 8) c), 8)d), and 8)e)i)</u> C332-15-12-2021</p>	<p>Plan 5043AV Block 12 Lots 11-15, Plan 5043AV Block 24 Lots 34-35, And Plan 5043AV Block 12 Lots 36-37 as outlined in the MGA section 424(1) tax forfeiture.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</u> C333-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Steinley that the Council of the Village of Empress appoint Arlen Johnston as the Deputy Director of Emergency Management for the Village of Empress.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">_____ Mayor</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">_____ Chief Administrative Officer</p>

<p><u>YVONNE ROBERTSON</u></p>	<p>Council directed administration to investigate options available for dust control in the Village of Empress</p>
<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> C334-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Jarvis that Council receives the remaining correspondence for information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>CLOSED MEETING</u> C335-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Jarvis to move to a closed meeting per FOIP regulations section 18(1) (b) at 11:00 p.m..</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p>C336-15-12-2021</p>	<p>RESOLUTION Councillor Steinley to move out of a closed meeting at 11:20 pm.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p>	<p>Mayor Jarvis adjourned the meeting at 11:21 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 100px;"> <hr style="width: 200px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> Mayor </p> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 100px;"> <hr style="width: 200px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> Chief Administrative Officer </p>

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