

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BARRHEAD  
TOWN COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021,  
IN THE TOWN OF BARRHEAD COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**PRESENT**

Mayor McKenzie, Crs: D. Kluin, R. Klumph, S. Oswald, L. Penny, D. Smith and T. Assaf - Via Zoom Call

Officials: Ed LeBlanc, CAO, Kathy Vickery, Director of Corporate Services, Cheryl Callihoo, Director of Development & Legislative Services and Jennifer Pedersen, Communications Coordinator

Others: Barry Kerton, Barrhead Leader

**ABSENT**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**AGENDA**

The agenda was reviewed.

164-21

Moved by Cr. Klumph that the agenda be accepted as presented/with the following additions:

- Addition- Barrhead & District Chamber of Commerce Delegation at 6:00 pm
- Addition- Attraction and Retention Committee Report
- Addition- Barrhead & District Social Housing Report

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting of April 27, 2021, were reviewed.

165-21

Moved by Cr. Penny that the Minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting of April 27, 2021 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2021 FINAL  
OPERATING & CAPITAL  
BUDGET**

The 2021 Final Operating and Capital Budget was presented.

Edward LeBlanc, CAO and Kathy Vickery, Director of Corporate Services reviewed and presented the 2021 budgets to Council and answered some questions from Council.

166-21

Moved by Cr. Klumph that that Council adopt the 2021 Operating Budget with Revenues of \$14,424,250.00 and Expenses of \$14,411,550.00, plus the amortization expense budget of \$1,897,100.00, for a surplus of \$12,700.00, as presented which includes maintaining the municipal portion of the residential, non-residential, farmland and machinery and equipment property tax rates for 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

167-21

Moved by Cr. Penny that Council adopt the 2021 Capital Budget with Revenues and Expenses Budgets totaling \$7,098,360.00, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BANK  
STATEMENT**

The Bank Statement for the month ended April 30, 2021 was reviewed.

168-21

Moved by Cr. Oswald that Council approve the Bank Statement for the month ended April 30, 2021 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**REPORTS TO  
COUNCIL**

The following Reports to Council as of April 27, 2021, were reviewed:

- Agricultural Society
- Barrhead & District Social Housing
- C.A.O.'s Report
- Council Action List to April 27, 2021
- Attraction and Retention Committee

169-21

Moved by Cr. Oswald that the following Reports to Council as of April 27, 2021, be accepted as information:

- Agricultural Society
- Barrhead & District Social Housing
- C.A.O.'s Report
- Council Action List to April 27, 2021- Cr. Klumph as info
- Attraction and Retention Committee

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BYLAW 05-2021**

Bylaw 05-2021, Property Tax Bylaw, was reviewed.

170-21

Moved by Cr. Smith that Council give Bylaw 05-2021, Property Tax Bylaw first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

171-21

Moved by Cr. Oswald that Council give Bylaw 05-2021, Property Tax Bylaw second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

172-21

Moved by Cr. Kluin that Bylaw 05-2021, Property Tax Bylaw be presented for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

173-21

Moved by Cr. Assaf that Council give Bylaw 05-2021, Property Tax Bylaw third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BYLAW 06-2021**

Bylaw 06-2021, Property Tax Installment Plan Bylaw, was reviewed.

174-21

Moved by Cr. Klumph that Council give Bylaw 06-2021, Property Tax Installment Plan Bylaw first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

175-21

Moved by Cr. Assaf that Council give Bylaw 06-2021, Property Tax Installment Plan Bylaw second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

176-21 Moved by Cr. Penny that Bylaw 06-2021, Property Tax Installment Plan Bylaw be presented for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

177-21 Moved by Cr. Kluin that Council give Bylaw 06-2021, Property Tax Installment Plan Bylaw third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATION**

Mr. Arnold Viersen, MP, was welcomed at 6:00 pm to provide a virtual presentation.

Mr. Viersen thanked Council for the opportunity to meet and update Council on some of the current events in Ottawa including the Federal Budget presentation and various Bills coming before the Government for review and discussion.

Council thanked Mr. Viersen for his presentation. Mr. Viersen left the virtual Meeting at 6:19 pm.

178-21 Moved by Cr. Smith to receive the Delegation and presentation as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

179-21 Moved by Cr. Klumph that Administration present the three sample resolutions relating to Bill C-208, Bill C-206, Bill C-205 and Bill C-263, as provide by Mr. Arnold Viersen, MP for Peace River-Westlock at the next regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Dave Swatzky and Kristine Bryant, representing Barrhead District Chamber of Commerce, were welcomed at 6:20 pm to make a presentation.

Kristine Bryant acted as spokesperson and thanked Council for the opportunity to discuss Outdoor Patios on Mainstreet.

Based on conversation with some business owners, the Chamber is requesting that a number of shops be allowed to place smaller tables in front of their business while still allowing the sidewalk to be used for foot traffic. Another request was for businesses to place larger tables on the complete width of the sidewalk which would results in closing approximately 6 parking stalls to be serve as a temporary sidewalk. The final request was to have additional picnic tables near the gazebo to be used by nearby patrons during the lunch hour.

The proposed utilizing of the sidewalk would be from May to September of each year.

Council discussed and inquired if the Chamber has had the opportunity to discuss this proposal with all the businesses on Mainstreet.

Chamber advised they have not as yet discussed this proposal with all the businesses on Mainstreet.

Council thanked the delegation for their presentation.

Dave Swatzky and Kristine Bryant left the Chambers at 6:43 pm.

Jennifer Pederson left the Chambers at 6:43 pm.

180-21 Moved by Cr. Klumph to receive the delegation as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

181-21 Moved by Cr. Penny that Administration prepare a report on Patio dinning for the May 25 Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORRESPONDENCE  
ITEM**

The following correspondence item was reviewed:

Letter from the Town of Didsbury dated April 6, 2021 was reviewed.

Letter from the Town of Magrath, dated April 27, 2021, regarding their opposition on the Province's initiative to replace the RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service was reviewed.

Letter from the Town of Edson, dated May 05, 2021, regarding their opposition on the Province's initiative to replace the RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service was reviewed.

Letter from the County of St. Paul, dated May 06, 2021, regarding their opposition on the Province's initiative to replace the RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service was reviewed.

182-21 Moved by Cr. Penny that Council accept the letters from, Town of Didsbury, dated April 06, 2021, Town of Magrath, dated April 27, 2021, Town of Edson, dated May 05, 2021 and County of St. Paul, dated May 06, 2021 regarding their opposition on the Province's initiative to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police Services, as information

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Letter from Muni-Sight, dated April 08, 2021, informing Council on their Rural Communities Scholarship Program was reviewed.

183-21 Moved by Cr. Klumph that Council accepts the letter form Muni-Sight, dated April 08, 2021, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Letter from Doris Mah, dated April 26, 2021, requesting a consideration that May 10, 2021, be proclaimed as the "Day of Action Against Anti-Asian Racism", was reviewed.

184-21 Moved by Cr. Klumph that Council accepts the letter from Doris Mah, dated April 26, 2021, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FOR THE GOOD  
OF COUNCIL**

Cr. Klumph advised that a local resident thanked the Town of Barrhead for the new Walking Trails.

Mayor McKenzie thanked Administration and Staff for the budget presentation.

Cr. Penny thanked Public Works for the great job on street cleaning.

**RECESSED**

185-21 Moved by Cr. Smith to recess the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**RECONVENED**

186-21 Moved by Cr. Penny to reconvene the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CLOSED SESSION –  
FOIP ACT SECTIONS 16 & 24(1)**

187-21 Moved by Cr. Smith that Council go in closed session at 7:20 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

188-21 Moved by Cr. Klumph that Council come out of closed session at 7:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

189-21 Moved by Cr. Kluin to instruct Administration to explore the potential partnership with Community Futures Yellowhead East regarding a local business resiliency program, and report back at the next regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADJOURN**

190-21 Moved by Cr. Smith that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**TOWN OF BARRHEAD**

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Mayor, David McKenzie

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CAO, Edward LeBlanc