



**Kneehill County
Regular Meeting of Council
Minutes**

**February 27, 2024, 8:30 a.m.
1600 2nd Street NE
Three Hills, AB T0M 2A0**

Council Present: Faye McGhee, Councillor
Debbie Penner, Councillor
Jerry Wittstock, Deputy Reeve (Left meeting at 10:30 a.m.)
Carrie Fobes, Councillor
Laura Lee Machell-Cunningham, Councillor
Wade Christie, Councillor
Kenneth King, Reeve

Staff Present: Mike Haugen, Chief Administrative Officer
Mike Ziehr, Director of Infrastructure
Kevin Gannon, Director of Community Services
Theresa Cochran, Director of Corporate Services
Debra Grosfield, Manager of Protective Services
Fallon Sherlock, Manager of Parks and Agricultural Service Board
Carolyn Van der Kuil, Legislative Services Coordinator

1. Call Meeting to Order

Reeve King called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

1.1 Agenda

1.1.1 Additions to the Agenda

Additions under Council & Committee Reports

9.2 Legal Seminar

9.3 Police Advisory Committee

Additions under Closed Session

12.1 Intergovernmental Relations (FOIP- Section 21)

12.2 Intergovernmental Relations (FOIP-Section 21)

12.3 Legal (FOIP-Section 24)

1.1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

Resolution: 035/24

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That Council approve the agenda as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2024

Resolution: 036/24

Moved by: Councillor Penner

That Council approves the adoption of the minutes of the February 13, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Community Services

5.2 Agricultural Service Board & Parks

5.2.1 2024 BMO Stampede Farm Family

Resolution: 037/24

Moved by: Councillor McGhee

That Council approve the nomination of the Calhoun Family (Rod & Carol, Jason & Erin) for the 2024 BMO Stampede Farm Family Award.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.2.2 Braconnier Picnic Shelter

Resolution: 038/24

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Wittstock

That Council move to replace the Braconnier Campground picnic shelter in 2025 and for administration to include a detailed project plan in the 2025 budget for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.2.3 Policy #2-2, Cemetery Grant Funding "New"

Resolution: 039/24

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That Council approve the new Policy 2-2 Cemetery Grant Funding.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.2.4 Policy #2-1, Cemetery Policy

Resolution: 040/24

Moved by: Councillor McGhee

That Council approve the recommended changes and adopt the Policy 2-1 Cemetery Policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Appointments

3.1 Delegation- Kevin Niemi

The Chair called for a recess at 8:57 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 9:00 a.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Kevin Niemi presented to Council expressing his concerns regarding certain decisions made by Council.

3.2 Photo Opportunity- Wimborne Community Centre

The Chair called for a recess at 9:17 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 9:30 a.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Council presented a cheque to the Wimborne Community Centre in the amount of \$15,000. This funding was granted by Council during their meeting on February 13th, 2024, through the Rural Hall Capital Grant Funding Program.

5. Community Services

5.2 Agricultural Service Board & Parks

5.2.5 Policy #12-5, Parks Drone Policy

Resolution: 041/24

Moved by: Councillor Cunningham

That Council approve the recommended amendments and adopt the Policy 12-5 Parks Drone Policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Legislative Services

7.1 Signing Authority

Resolution: 042/24

Moved by: Councillor McGhee

That Council appoint Theresa Cochran, for the term of her employment with Kneehill County, as an authorized signing authority for Kneehill County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Community Services

5.3 Protective Services

5.3.1 RCMP Quarterly and Protective Services Report

Resolution: 043/24

Moved by: Councillor Penner

That Council accepts the RCMP Quarterly Report and Kneehill County Protective Services Report as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Appointments

3.3 Delegation- Trochu Housing Corporation

Sam Smalldon from the Trochu Housing Corporation provided Council an update on the Trochu Seniors Supportive Living Facility Project. It was requested that Council consider amending the current agreement that is in place between the Trochu Housing Corporation and Kneehill County by changing the timeline and interest rates.

The Chair called for a recess at 10:35 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 10:45 a.m. with all previously mentioned members present except for Deputy Reeve Wittstock who left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

8. Disposition of Delegation & Public Hearing Business

8.1 Kevin Niemi Delegation

Resolution: 044/24

Moved by: Councillor McGhee

That Council receive for information Mr. Kevin Niemi's presentation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Trochu Housing Corporation Agreement Timelines and Interest Rates

Resolution: 045/24

Moved by: Councillor Fobes

That Council direct Administration to take the necessary steps to modify the Town of Trochu Guaranteeing Loan Agreement timelines and interest rates, as per Trochu Housing Corporation's request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Council and Committee Reports

Resolution: 046/24

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That Council accepts for information the Council & Committee Report, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.1 Community Futures Wildrose

Minutes were provided from the January 4th, 2024, Community Futures meeting.

9.2 Legal Seminars

Councillor Cunningham provided a verbal report on the two law seminars she attended in February 2024.

9.3 Police Advisory Committee

Councillor Cunningham provided a verbal report on the meeting she attended on February 22, 2024.

10. Council Follow-Up Action List

Resolution: 047/24

Moved by: Councillor McGhee

That Council receive for information the Council Follow-Up Action List as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Closed Session

The Chair called for a recess at 11:59 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 12:05 p.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Resolution: 048/24

Moved by: Councillor Cunningham

That this meeting goes into closed session at 12:05 p.m. for the following reasons:

12.1 Intergovernmental Relations (FOIP- Section 21)

12.2 Intergovernmental Relations (FOIP-Section 21)

12.3 Legal (FOIP-Section 24)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 049/24

Moved by: Councillor Fobes

That Council return to open meeting at 12:25 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12:26 p.m. - meeting recessed to allow return of public.

12:26 p.m. - meeting resumed.

13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Ken King, Reeve

Mike Haugen, CAO