



Committee of the Whole Minutes

December 3, 2024, 8:30 a.m.
1600 2nd Street NE
Three Hills, AB T0M 2A0

Council Present: Faye McGhee, Deputy Reeve
Debbie Penner, Councillor
Jerry Wittstock, Councillor (Video Conf)
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
Marika Von Mirbach, Financial Planning Coordinator
Carolyn Van der Kuil, Legislative Services Manager

1. **Call to Order**

Deputy Reeve McGhee called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

1.1 Approval of Agenda

Additions to the Agenda:

Under New Business:

2.1 STIP Application

Resolution: CW131

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That the Committee of the Whole approve the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

1.2 Approval of Minutes

1.2.1 Approval of the November 19, 2024, COW Meeting Minutes

Resolution: CW132

Moved by: Reeve King

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That the Committee of the Whole approves the adoption of the minutes of the November 19, 2024, Committee of the Whole meeting, as presented.

CARRIED

2. New Business

2.1 2025 Budget – Additional Information

The Chair called for a recess at 9:28 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 9:38 a.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Resolution: CW133

Moved by: Councillor Fobes

That this meeting goes into closed session at 10:27 a.m. for the following reason(s).

- Intergovernmental Relations (Section 21)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: CW134

Moved by: Reeve King

That Council return to open meeting at 10:49 a.m.

10:50a.m. - meeting recessed to allow return of public.

10:50 a.m. - meeting resumed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Chair called for a recess at 11:14 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 11:30 a.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

The Chair called for a recess at 12:25 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 1:01 p.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Resolution: CW135

Moved by: Reeve King

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to include the Carbon Management Services project in the 2025 operating budget.

CARRIED

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Resolution: CW136

Moved by: Councillor Penner

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to include the fourth Community Peace Officer position in the 2025 Operating budget.

DEFEATED

Resolution: CW137

Moved by: Reeve King

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the proposed Horseshoe Canyon Trail Masterplan project be removed from the proposed 2025 Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: CW138

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to bring forward the amended proposed 2025 budget to the December 10th, Council meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 STIP Application

The group discussed the status of the STIP-LMI grant application that the County submitted on behalf of the Badlands Motorsports Development Corp.

3. Closed Session

4. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Faye McGhee, Deputy Reeve

Mike Haugen, CAO