

TOWN OF ONOWAY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2021
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ONOWAY CIVIC OFFICE AND ZOOM MEETING

	PRESENT	Mayor: Judy Tracy Deputy Mayor: Lynne Tonita (via Zoom) Councillor: Lisa Johnson (via Zoom) Councillor: Jeff Mickle (via Zoom) Councillor: Pat St. Hilaire (via Zoom) Administration: Wendy Wildman, Chief Administrative Officer Jason Madge, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Public Works Manager Debbie Giroux, Recording Secretary
1.	CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Judy Tracy called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.
2.	AGENDA Motion #028/21	MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that Council adopt the agenda of the regular Council meeting of Thursday, February 4, 2021 with the following additions: 7l) Internet/Broadband 7m) Onoway Community Hall – Onoway Facility Enhancement Association (OFEA) <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
3.	MINUTES Motion #029/21	MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that the minutes of the Thursday, January 21, 2021 regular Council meeting be adopted, as presented. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
4.	APPOINTMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS	n/a
5.	FINANCIAL REPORTS	n/a
6.	POLICIES & BYLAWS Motion #030/21	MOVED by Deputy Mayor Lynne Tonita that Bylaw 778-21, a bylaw for the purpose to regulate the supply and distribution of water and to regulate the sanitary sewage collection system, be given first reading. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #031/21	MOVED by Councillor Jeff Mickle that Bylaw 778-21 be given second reading. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #032/21	MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that Bylaw 778-21 be considered for third reading. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>

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	<p>Motion #033/21 MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that Bylaw 778-21 be given third and final reading. CARRIED</p> <p>Motion #034/21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Lynne Tonita that Bylaw 779-21, a bylaw for the purpose to regulate the collection, removal and disposal of household waste, refuse, ashes, recycle materials and organics, be given first reading. CARRIED</p> <p>Motion #035/21 MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that Bylaw 779-21 be given second reading. CARRIED</p> <p>Motion #036/21 MOVED by Councillor Jeff Mickle that Bylaw 779-21 be considered for third reading. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>Motion #037/21 MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that Bylaw 779-21 be given third and final reading. CARRIED</p> <p>Motion #038/21 MOVED by Mayor Judy Tracy that Administration correspond with the Highway 43 East Waste Commission and inquire if they will take the Town's organic material and, if so, advise what the cost would be and what the end use is of such material. CARRIED</p>
7.	<p>ACTION ITEMS Motion #039/21 MOVED by Mayor Judy Tracy that the discussion regarding Covid-19 be accepted for information; that the January 27 letter from MD Spirit River No. 133 Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar to Premier Kenny providing a paper Covid-19: Rethinking the Lockdown Groupthink: the January 27 letter from Mackenzie County Reeve Josh Knelsen to Premier Kenny urging the Provincial Government to open up indoor recreational facilities and reopen all business services be accepted for information; that Council and Administration continue to monitor developments, and Administration to bring this item back to the next Council meeting for further discussion. CARRIED</p> <p>Council recessed at 10:15 a.m. and held an Emergency Management Advisory Committee Meeting until 10:30 a.m.</p>

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	Motion #040/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that the discussion at the Emergency Management Advisory Committee meeting regarding the Community Emergency Management Program (CEMP) Review presented by the Director of Emergency Management (DEM) Jason Madge, be accepted for information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #041/21	<p>MOVED by Deputy Mayor Lynne Tonita that Council reappoint the following individuals to sit as members of the Town of Onoway Library Board for 2 year terms: Lorne Olsvik, Board member at large and Chair; Pat St. Hilaire, Town elected Board member and Glen Usselman, Board member at large.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Council recessed from 10:35 a.m. until 10:50 a.m.</p>
	Motion #042/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that the Town waive business license fees for the 2021 year; Administration to refund those businesses who have already paid their \$50.00 business license fees in 2021; and Administration devise a promotional campaign that targets ALL businesses to get a free business license in 2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #043/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that the Town provide funding to the Onoway Curling Club (for the Curling Rink) in the amount of \$4,000.00 and the Onoway and District Agricultural Society (ODAS) (for the Arena) in the amount of \$8,000.00 to offset lost revenue during the 2020 year due to Covid-19, and use Municipal Operating Support Transfer (MOST) grant funding to cover these costs.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #044/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that Administration prepare background information for Council to review at a future meeting on options for a portable versus a permanent electronic sign, including pictures and estimates; exploring the use of FCSS funding towards such signage and that Municipal Operating Support Transfer (MOST) grant funding be used to cover any additional costs.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #045/21	<p>MOVED by Mayor Judy Tracy that Council defer discussion on the vacant lots in Onoway that are owned by the Town until the Partnership Group discusses this at their next meeting; Administration will then arrange for Council to meet with Larry Horncastle to discuss options and next steps.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

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	Motion #046/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that Council and Administration be authorized to attend the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Elected Officials Education Program course “Regional Partnerships and Collaboration” being held virtually on Thursday, February 11, 18 and 25 at a cost of \$200.00/person.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #047/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that Deputy Mayor Lynne Tonita be authorized to attend the Provincial Budget Analysis being hosted by Alberta Counsel on February 26 at a cost of \$75.00/person.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #048/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that the letter from Reeve Greg Sawchuk of the MD of Bonnyville No. 87 expressing their Council’s concerns with the representation provided to municipalities by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities be accepted for information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #049/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Pat St. Hilaire that the Asset Management Report to be provided by Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Public Works Manager Jason Madge, be deferred to the next meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #050/21	<p>MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that the invitation to attend a virtual North Central Regional Business Support Network meeting on February 16 regarding Covid-19 be accepted for information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #051/21	<p>MOVED by Deputy Mayor Lynne Tonita that Council and Administration be authorized to participate virtually in the Greater Parkland Regional Chamber State of the Region Address on March 11.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Motion #052/21	<p>MOVED by Deputy Mayor Lynne Tonita that the information on internet and broadband be presented to the Partnership Group as a possibility of collaboration with the County.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

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	Motion #053/21	MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that Administration re-send the survey on the Onoway Community Hall to the Onoway Facility Enhancement Association (OFEA) and Council for updating and request comment by February 9; Administration to put the survey out on February 10 or 11 and that staff advise OFEA that if they require access to the Community Hall they should contact the office and someone will meet them onsite during business hours. CARRIED
8.	COUNCIL, COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS Motion #054/21	MOVED by Councillor Jeff Mickle that the verbal Council reports and the written and verbal reports from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Public Works Manager be accepted for information as presented. CARRIED
9.	INFORMATION ITEMS Motion #055/21	MOVED by Councillor Lisa Johnson that Council accept the following items for information as presented: a) Development Officer Report – January 2021 development permit report from Tony Sonnleitner b) High Speed Internet – January 28, 2021 press release from Gerald Soroka, MP, Yellowhead Riding, regarding high speed internet and spectrum deployment in rural communities c) Alberta Municipal Affairs – Red Tape Reduction Report – January 29, 2021 email from CAO Wildman attaching The Town of Onoway report submitted to the Government of Alberta CARRIED
10.	CLOSED SESSION	n/a
11.	ADJOURNMENT	As all matters on the agenda have been addressed, Mayor Judy Tracy declared the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.
12.	UPCOMING EVENTS	February 11, 2021 Brownlee Muni-Law 8:00 a.m. Seminar (Virtual) February 18, 2021 Regular Council Meeting 9:30 a.m. February 18, 2021 EOEP – Partnerships 6:30 p.m. February 25, 2021 EOEP – Partnerships 6:30 p.m. March 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting 9:30 a.m. March 11, 2021 Gr. Parkland Chamber – TBD State of Region (Virtual)

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		March 18, 2021	Regular Council Meeting	9:30 a.m.
		September 20, 2021	Nomination Day Closes	12:00 p.m.
		October 18, 2021	Election Day	

Signed by Mayor Judy Tracy

Signed by Debbie Giroux
Recording Secretary