

TOWN OF ONOWAY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 28, 2024 9:30 a.m. Council Chambers

Onoway Civic Centre (and Virtually Via Zoom)

Council Present: Mayor Lenard Kwasny

Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson Councillor Bridgitte Coninx Councillor Robin Murray Councillor Sheila Pockett

Administration: Jennifer Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer

Gino Damo, Director of Corporate and Community Services

Debbie Giroux, Recording Secretary

5 Members of the public attended the meeting via Zoom.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lenard Kwasny called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and advised that the meeting will be recorded and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Treaty 6 Land.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion # 397-24

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT the November 28, 2024 Regular Council Meeting agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion # 398-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT the November 14, 2024 Regular Council Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. APPOINTMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS - n/a

Appointments were rescheduled to the meeting of December 12, 2024.

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. 2025-2028 Operating Interim Budget - Part 2

Motion # 399-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council accept the draft 2025-2028 Operating Interim Budget Part 2 for information.

CARRIED

Council recessed from 10:48 a.m. until 10:58 a.m.

6. POLICIES & BYLAWS

a. Bylaw 816-24 - Code of Conduct Bylaw

Motion # 400-24

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Council adopt the amendments to Bylaw 816-24, The Code of Conduct Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED

Motion # 401-24

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Bylaw 816-24, The Code of Conduct Bylaw, be given third and final reading and adopted.

CARRIED

b. Bylaw 818-24 - A Bylaw To Regulate the Proceedings and the Conduct of Business at Town of Onoway Council and Committee Meetings

Motion # 402-24

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Bylaw 818-24, A Bylaw to Regulate the Proceedings and Conduct of Business at Town of Onoway Council and Committee Meetings (Council Procedure Bylaw) be given first reading.

CARRIED

Motion # 403-24

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Bylaw 818-24, Council Procedure Bylaw be given second reading.

CARRIED

Motion # 404-24

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Bylaw 818-24 Council Procedure Bylaw, be considered for third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 405-24

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Bylaw 818-24, Council Procedure Bylaw be given third and final reading and adopted.

CARRIED

c. Bylaw 819-24 - Elections Procedure Bylaw

Motion # 406-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Bylaw 819-24, A Bylaw to Set Out Procedure for the Administration of Elections, (The Elections Procedure Bylaw) be given first reading.

CARRIED

Motion # 407-24

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Bylaw 819-24, The Elections Procedure Bylaw be given second reading.

CARRIED

Motion # 408-24

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Bylaw 819-24 The Elections Procedure Bylaw be considered for third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 409-24

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Bylaw 819-24 The Elections Procedure Bylaw be given third and final reading and adopted.

CARRIED

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. Water Meter Policy and Bylaw - One Time High Consumption Refund for Institution - A Request for Decision is attached

Motion # 410-24

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Council notify the customer that as no evidence has been found that consumption charges are incorrect of accounts 5671 002 and 5671 001 that the customer is responsible for the consumption charges from August 2024.

CARRIED

b. FCSS - Onoway Public Library - A Request for Decision is attached

Motion # 411-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council direct Administration to request that the Town of Onoway Public Library return the \$1,000 FCSS amount provided for the Harvest Festival Entertainment and for Administration to redistribute the \$1,000 to the Onoway and District Historical Guild.

CARRIED

Motion # 412-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council approve the Town of Onoway Public Library Christmas Gingerbread Decorating Events program and that the \$500 FCSS amount received for Community Christmas Fair be reallocated to the Christmas Gingerbread Decorating Events program.

CARRIED

c. Local Growth and Sustainability Grant - A Request for Decision is attached

Motion # 413-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council authorize Administration to submit an application for the Local Growth and Sustainability Grant (LGSG) Program.

CARRIED

d. Expressions of Sympathy Discussion

Motion # 414-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT the Town of Onoway does not provide condolences that require a financial expenditure, other than via electronic means.

As per Section 185(1) of the MGA, Councillor Coninx requested a recorded vote.

FOR AGAINST

Johnson Kwasny
Coninx Murray

Pockett

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL, COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS

Motion # 415-24

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT the Council and Staff written and verbal reports be accepted for Information as presented.

CARRIED

- a. Mayor's Report
- b. Deputy Mayor's Report
- c. Councillor's Report
- d. Chief Administrative Officer Report attached
- e. Corporate and Community Services Director's Report attached
- f. Public Works Report attached

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

Motion # 416-24

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT the Information Items be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

- a. WILD Water Commission 2025 Rates and Budget Requisitions November 13, 2024 letter from Dwight Moskalyk, Manager
- b. Lac Ste. Anne Foundation June 25, 2024 meeting minutes
- c. Onoway Junior/Senior High School Awards Night Thank You November 6, 2024 letter from Paul Jespersen
- d. Request for Reconsideration of Evening Meetings October 24, 2024 email from Lorna and Vern Porter
- e. Onoway Regional Medical Clinic (ORMC) November 21, 2024 letter from Health Minister LaGrange

10. CLOSED SESSION - n/a

11. ADJOURNMENT

As all matters on the agenda have been addressed, Mayor Lenard Kwasny declared the Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

12. UPCOMING EVENTS Signed by Lenard Kwasny, Mayor Jennifer Thompson

Chief Administrative Officer

