



**Minutes of the Town of Didsbury Regular Council Meeting  
Held on February 13, 2024 in Council Chambers 1606 14 Street  
Commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

**Council Members Present** Mayor Rhonda Hunter  
Deputy Mayor Curt Engel  
Councillor John Baswick  
Councillor Joyce McCoy (*attended by telephone*)  
Councillor Dorothy Moore  
Councillor Ethan Williams  
Councillor Bill Windsor

**Administration Present** Chief Administrative Officer, Ethan Gorner  
ACAO/Chief Financial Officer, Amanda Riley  
Director of Community Services, Nicole Aasen  
Director of Engineering & Infrastructure, Craig Fox  
Manager of Legislative Services/Recording Officer, Luana Smith  
Municipal Intern, Jocelyn Baxter

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hunter Called the February 13, 2024 Regular Council Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The follow items were added to the closed portion of the Agenda:

13. 5 Intergovernmental Relations - RCMP Staff Sergeant Dialogue

13.6 Confidential Evaluations

**Res. 086-24**

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To adopt the February 13, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended.

**Motion Carried**

**3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

**3.1 Communities in Bloom**

**Res. 087-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

To thank the Communities in Bloom delegation for the information and for their work and accept the presentation as information.

**Motion Carried**

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**4.1 January 23, 2024 Regular Council Meeting**

**Res. 088-24**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Engel

To adopt the January 23, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, which include the reconvening of the meeting on January 30, 2024, as presented.

**Motion Carried**

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS – *no public hearings***

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6. **REPORTS**

6.1 **Council Reports for February 13, 2024**

**Res. 089-24**

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To accept the Council Reports for February 13, 2024 as information.

**Motion Carried**

6.2 **Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Report for February 13, 2024**

**Res. 090-24**

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To accept the Chief Administrative Officer Report for February 13, 2024 as information.

**Motion Carried**

7. **2024 BUDGET**

7.1 **Butte Standpipe Repair**

**Res. 091-24**

MOVED by Councillor Moore

To approve \$100,000 for Butte Standpipe repairs and to amend the 2024 operating budget to increase water department repairs and maintenance by \$100,000 and reduce water department transfer to reserves by \$100,000, for a net impact of \$0.

**Motion Carried**

7.2 **Dates for Community Organization Presentations**

**Res. 092-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

To set a Committee of the Whole meeting for Monday, March 4, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. to include *Community Organization Presentations* and to extend invitations to the Didsbury & District Historical Society, the Didsbury Municipal Library, the Didsbury Lions Club Community Bus and the Didsbury Five-O Club.

**Motion Carried**

**Res. 093-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

That the *Community Organizations* presentations and financial support requests be submitted in writing ahead of time and the financial support requests be added to the draft 2024 operating budget for reference of impact.

**Motion Carried**

**Res. 094-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

That Administration send out a survey to Council including budget meeting dates and bring back information to the February 27, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

**Motion Carried**

8. **BYLAWS & POLICIES** – *no bylaws or policies*

9. **BUSINESS**

9.1 **RCMP Reserve Transfer Outstanding Resolution**

**Res. 095-24**

MOVED by Councillor Moore

To approve the RCMP reserves no longer receive a top-up amount as part of the annual budgeting process.

**Motion Carried**

  
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**9.2 East Reservoir - Architectural Direction**

**Res. 096-24**

MOVED by Councillor Moore

To approve the mural concept in principle, with the detailed design drawings of the facility to be presented to Council when available.

**Motion Carried**

**9.3 Correspondence - Minister of Municipal Affairs - Drought**

**Res. 097-24**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Engel

To refer Bylaw 2019-07 Water Utility to the Policy and Governance Committee for review and recommendation.

**Motion Carried**

**9.4 Didsbury Emergency Management Advisory Committee**

**Res. 098-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

To set March 12, 2024 from 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. for the Didsbury Emergency Management Advisory Committee meeting.

**Motion Carried**

**9.5 2024 Days of Yore - Royal Canadian Air Force Flyby**

**Res. 099-24**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Engel

To support flyby of a Royal Canadian Armed Forces aircraft as low as 500 feet, and/or in accordance with regulations, for the planned 2024 Days of Yore Heritage Festival being held at Rosebud Park for transit, practice, and shows on August 3 and August 4, 2024.

**Motion Carried**

**9.6 Mid-Sized Mayor's Caucus - Administration Support**

**Res. 100-24**

MOVED by Councillor Moore

To table the Town of Didsbury as the Designated Membership Municipality for the administrative duties of accounts payable/receivable for the Alberta Mid-Sized Mayors' Caucus to the Operating Budget meeting for discussion on the impact to the budget.

**Motion Defeated**

**Res. 101-24**

MOVED by Councillor Moore

To accept the Town of Didsbury as the Designated Membership Municipality for the administrative duties of accounts payable/receivable for the Alberta Mid-Sized Mayors' Caucus as information.

**Motion Defeated**

**Res. 102-24**

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To approve the Town of Didsbury as the Designated Membership Municipality for the administrative duties of accounts payable/receivable for the Alberta Mid-Sized Mayors' Caucus with letters of support from the caucus members, and that Administration report on the budgetary impact of the said services at year end.

**Motion Carried**



**9.7 2024 FCSS Funding Recommendations**

**Res. 103-24**

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To approve the 2024 Family and Community Support Services Community Grant funding as presented, valued at \$64,000.

**Motion Carried**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION – No correspondence and information**

**11. COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

**12. QUESTION PERIOD**

**13. CLOSED MEETING**

**Res. 104-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

To go into Closed meeting for the following items at 8:00 p.m.

13.1 Intermunicipal Cooperation Committee Update - as per Section 21 of the FOIP Act

13.2 Fox Hollow Expropriation Update- as per Section 27 of the FOIP Act

13.3 Drought Mitigation and Water Strategies - as per Section 23 of the FOIP Act

13.4 CAEP Update - as per Section 21 and 25 of the FOIP Act

13.5 Intergovernmental Relations, RCMP Staff Sergeant Dialogue – as per Section 21 of the FOIP Act

13.6 Confidential Evaluations – as per Section 19 of the FOIP Act

13.7 Organizational Update Follow-up – as per Section 24 of the FOIP Act

**Motion Carried**

*Councillor Baswick left the meeting at 8:57 p.m.*

**14. RECONVENE**

**Res. 105-24**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Engel

To return to Open Meeting 9:53 p.m.

**Motion Carried**

**Res. 106-24**

MOVED by Councillor Moore

To approve the collaborative project exploration of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street north of Highway 582 with Mountain View County by the Intermunicipal Collaboration Committee and the exploration of external funding, including STIP Grant funding.

**Motion Carried**

**Res. 107-24**

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To accept the Fox Hollow Expropriation Update as information.

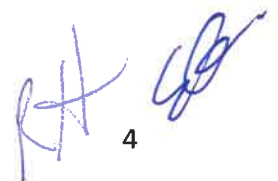
**Motion Carried**

**Res. 108-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

To accept the Drought Mitigation and Water Strategies update as information.

**Motion Carried**

  
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**Res. 109-24**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Engel

To apply for a municipal water license with Alberta Environment and Protected Areas for the three water wells, assess the condition and viability of the well system and report back to Council.

**Motion Carried**

**Res. 110-24**

MOVED by Councillor Williams

To accept the change of dates on the confidential evaluations as discussed.

**Motion Carried**

**Res. 111-24**

MOVED by Councillor Windsor

To defer items 13.4 – *CAEP Update*, 13.5 – Intergovernmental Relations RCMP Staff Sergeant Dialogue, and 13.7 – *Organizational Update Follow-up* to the February 27, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

**Motion Carried**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**Res. 112-24**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Engel

To adjourn the February 13, 2024 Regular Council Meeting at 9:57 p.m.

**Motion Carried**



Mayor - Rhonda Hunter



Chief Administrative Officer- Ethan Gorner