

VILLAGE OF BIG VALLEY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, January 13, 2022 commencing at 6:30 p.m.
29, 1st Avenue South, Big Valley, Alberta
and
Via ZOOM Meeting

- PRESENT:** Mayor Dan Houle, Deputy Mayor Amber Hoogenberg, Councillor Gail Knudson and CAO/Recording Secretary Tracy Mindus (all in person)
Members of the Public and Delegations via Zoom
- CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Houle called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.
- AGENDA:**
RES 22-11-001 Moved by Mayor Houle
That the meeting agenda be approved as presented. **CARRIED**
- MINUTES:**
Dec 09/21 Reg. Mtg. Minutes
RES 22-11-002 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg
That the December 9, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as presented. **CARRIED**
- VISITORS AND DELEGATIONS**
Josee Methot, Executive Director, from the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance (RDRWA) attended Council to present information regarding the benefits of RDRWA.

Scott Purich was asked to attend Council in closed session to discuss land matters.
- BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS**
RES 22-11-003 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg
That Council table the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance request for municipal support until after budget discussions. **CARRIED**
- Closed Session**
RES 22-11-004 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg
That Council go into closed session pursuant to Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* and Section 29 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* at 6:51 p.m. to discuss land matters with Mr. Scott Purich from Parkland Community Planning Services. **CARRIED**
- RES 22-11-005** Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg
That Council come out of closed session at 7:15 p.m. **CARRIED**
- OLD BUSINESS:**
Proposed Procedure Bylaw 861
RES 22-11-006 Moved by Councillor Knudson
That Council direct Administration to make amendments discussed and bring back Proposed Procedure Bylaw 861 to the next Council meeting. **CARRIED**

Public Participation Policy RES 22-11-007	Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg That Council approve the Public Participation Policy 11-03-21 for implementation into the Village of Big Valley Policy Handbook.	CARRIED
FCSS Grant Funding Application 2021 RES 22-51-008	Moved by Mayor Houle That Council rescind resolution #21-23-304 and further resolve to allocate the following funds from the 2021 FCSS Grant account (1-2-5100-770): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$335 EFree Church; - \$1500 Friends of the Library; - \$2000 Canadian Northern Society; - \$2500 Big Valley Ag. Society; - \$73.13 remaining to the Whistle. 	CARRIED
NEW BUSINESS:		
Employee COVID Policy RES 22-11-009	Moved by Councillor Knudson That Council amend Employee COVID Policy No: 12-04-21 by adding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Current Employees who do not wish to provide proof of vaccine or disclose their vaccination status will be required to provide a negative COVID-19 rapid test upon request or when required to attend courses, conferences or any such thing that requires this; - Employees requiring proof of a negative COVID-19 test must pay for such test at their own expense; - Unless Exempt, potential new Employees will be required to provide proof of full vaccination before an employment offer is made or to accept a conditional offer of employment. 	CARRIED
Operating Budget and Capital Budget 2022 RES 22-11-010	Moved by Councillor Knudson That Council table the Operating Budget and Capital Budget to a Special Council meeting, date to be determined.	CARRIED
Council Remuneration and Council Meetings RES 22-11-011	Moved by Mayor Houle That Council receive the Council Remuneration for information.	CARRIED
Clearview Schools Invitation RES 22-11-012	Moved by Councillor Knudson That Council approve Mayor Houle and CAO to attend the February 16 th , 2022 meeting with Clearview Schools.	CARRIED
Snow Removal Policy Review RES 22-32-013	Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg That Council direct Administration to amend the snow removal policy as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schedule A - remove 7.5 cm to 2.5 cm under the column "Cm of snow (prior to plowing)" 	CARRIED

**Whistle Policy
RES 22-11-014**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg
That Council direct Administration to investigate the advertising requirements in the *Municipal Government Act* and bring the findings back to the next regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

**“Ties that Bind” –
Filming Request
RES 22-11-015**

Moved by Councillor Knudson
That Council authorize the use of the Train Station parking lot, and grounds and further that the street be closed for a one (1) block area as indicated on the map for the filming of “Ties that Bind” by Reckseidler Films Ltd, on February 13, 2022 or February 19, 2022 as a back-up date and further that Administration will work closely with Reckseidler Films to ensure proper barricades and notices are sent out.

CARRIED

**REPORTS:
RES 22-12-016**

Moved by Councillor Knudson
That the following staff and committee reports be received for information:

- CAO Mindus Report;
- Public Works Foreman Report, Nick Dubitz
- Council Committee Report; Councillor Knudson attended two (2) Emergency Management meetings and Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg attended an Emergency Management Training.
- Water Committee Report

CARRIED

**FINANCE:
Community Hall
Invoice
RES 22-12-017**

Moved by Councillor Knudson
That Council direct Administration to hold off on paying the Community Hall invoice until Mayor Houle has attended the meeting to discuss.

CARRIED

**Finance Info.
RES 22-12-018**

Moved by Mayor Houle
That Council receive the financial information presented for information.

CARRIED

**ITEMS OF
INFORMATION
RES 22-12-019**

Moved by Councillor Knudson
That the items of information be received for information.

CARRIED

**Closed Session
RES 22-12-020**

Moved by Mayor Houle
That the Village of Big Valley Council go into Closed session pursuant to Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* and Section 29 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* at 9:10 p.m. to discuss Land Matters.

CARRIED

**Closed Session
RES 22-12-021**

Moved by Councillor Knudson
That the Village of Big Valley Council come out of closed session at 9:53 p.m.

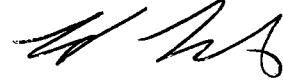
CARRIED

Adjournment
RES 22 -11-022

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hoogenberg
That the regular meeting of Council adjourn at 9:54 p.m.

CARRIED

These council meeting minutes were approved on the 13th day of January, 2022.



Mayor



CAO