Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Legal in the Province of Alberta held in Council Chambers, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, commencing at 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Jones, Councillor Veenstra

VIRTUAL: Deputy Mayor Tremblay, Councillor Hills, Councillor Malott

ABSENT:

**STAFF:** Robert Proulx – Chief Administrative Officer

Gizele St Jean - Manager of Corporate Services (Virtual)

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. and acknowledged the traditional territories of the Indigenous peoples of the Treaty 6 region and the Métis Settlements and Métis Nation of Alberta, Regions 2, 3 and 4. We respect the histories, languages, and cultures of First Nations, Metis, Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada, whose presence continues to enrich our community.

### **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

New Business:

Raoul St Jean Legacy Project

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

11327 <u>Resolution #11327</u>

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

**RESOLVED** that the Agenda for the January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, regular meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

### **ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**11328** Resolution #11328

Moved by: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes for the December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021, regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

### **DELEGATIONS**

### Dane Lloyd M.P. (Virtual)

Mayor Jones and Council welcomed M.P. Dane Lloyd to Legal.

MP Lloyd spoke on vaccine mandate policy for truckers which is threatening the food supply chain. The federal government approved the Pfizer pills today which is great news. MP Lloyd's focus is to get the economy back on track as he is seeing high inflation, lower income brackets, cost of food and gasoline on the rise and is very concerning to him. Priorities from Government of Canada – Indigenous, climate change, next generation, 911 update, update on Telus communications coming soon with rural focus and rural broadband funding program, and rural transportation.

MP Lloyd suggested grants that could possibly be utilized for the Town of Legal such as the National Trade Corridor Fund, Broadband Fund, Rural Transportation Fund, Infrastructure Fund – Rural Transit Solution, Affordable Housing Fund, the Official Language Program Fund for the schools and the Canada Summer Jobs.

Council inquired on the status of the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) Program application that administration applied for on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, for building improvements at the Legal Arena and Legal Curling Rink. This is a critical

project for the Town. The Town was looking for update on the advocacy and when the Town could expect to hear or get any updates. When we contacted GICB through the portal there has been no response.

Council addressed the highway alignment and improvements concerns on Highway 651 and Highway 2 intersection. As well, Council has concerns on Highway 651 and RR 552A (Sturgeon Valley intersection) due to increased truck volume and the lack of turning. There should be an acceleration lane at the intersection.MP Lloyd spoke about the National Trade Corridors Fund which is a \$4.2billion dollar fund to help infrastructure projects in Canada. Infrastructure projects could include work to airports, ports, railways, transportation facilities, and access roads.

Mayor and Council thanked MP Dane Lloyd for taking time to meet with everyone virtually and looked forward to hearing back from him on some of the questions posed.

### Staff Sergeant Chris Palfy, Morinville RCMP (Virtual)

Staff Sergeant Chris Palfy with the Morinville RCMP detachment was welcomed by Mayor Jones and introductions to Council were made.

Staff Sergeant Palfy spoke on Community Consultations within the region, Community Priorities which consist of: Crime Reduction – Prevent and Reduce Property Crime, Contribution to Employee Wellness and Respectfully Workplace and Communicate Effectively by building and maintain positive relationships with the community.

Crime statistics for Sturgeon County for the second quarter were presented with the Morinville Provincial Detachment remaining one of the higher crime areas in the district. Sexual offences were a significant driver of persons crime. A study on the trend was completed and an action plan will be developed for implementation.

Mayor Jones thanked Staff Sergeant Palfy for taking the time to meet with Council.

#### REPORTS

### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Report was submitted and formed part of the Council package.

#### MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

Community Services Board was submitted and forms part of the Council package.

### **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

### **Mayor Jones**

Report was submitted and forms part of the Council package.

### **Deputy Mayor Tremblay**

No report

### Councillor Hills

No report

### **Councillor Malott**

Scheduled meeting with the Legal & District Chamber of Commerce on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, however it did not occur as a result of attendance being low. There was discussion on a sport and recreation grant, updates to the website and the Annual General Meeting.

Attended Fete au Village Annual General meeting on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022. There was discussion on the viability of a 2022 Fete au Village event. There will be more discussions done by the committee.

Attended Emergency Management Training online on January 14th, 2022.

### Councillor Veenstra

No report

11329

Resolution #11329

Moved by: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the reports be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

## Letters from Crowsnest Pass, Re: Streamlining Foreign Physician and Nurse Assessments

Received as information.

### Approved FortisAlberta 2022 Distribution Rates

Received as information.

### **FCSS Surplus Policy**

Received as information.

### Municipal Government Act Amendments for Unpaid Oil and Gas Property Taxes

Received as information.

### Sturgeon County Bylaw Statistics, November 2021

Received as information.

### Sturgeon County Bylaw Statistics, December 2021

Received as information.

### Sturgeon County Bylaw Statistics, Year End 2021

Received as information.

# Alberta Municipalities Appointment to Alberta First Responder Radio Communications System (AFRRCS) Interoperability and Standards (I&S) Council

Received as information.

### Letter of Congratulations from Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development

Received as information.

# <u>Letter from Town of Tofield to Premier Kenney, Re: Rural Alberta, Adolescent Vaccine Provision</u>

Received as information.

11330

Resolution #11330

Moved by: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the correspondence be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### Brownlee LLP Emerging Trends in Municipal Law

11331

Resolution #11331

Moved by: Mayor Jones

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve the Mayor, all Councillors and the Chief Administrative Officer to attend the Emerging Trends in Municipal Law conference on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, in person in Edmonton.

#### **CARRIED 5-0**

### **Short-Term Borrowing Bylaw #01-2022**

11332 <u>Resolution #11332</u>

Moved by: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the Short-Term Borrowing Bylaw #01-2022 be given first reading.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

11333 Resolution #11333

Moved by: Councillor Malott

**RESOLVED** that the Short-Term Borrowing Bylaw #01-2022 be given second reading.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

11334 Resolution #11334

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

**RESOLVED** that the Short-Term Borrowing Bylaw #01-2022 go into third and final reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

11335 Resolution #11335

Moved by: Councillor Veenstra

**RESOLVED** that the Short-Term Borrowing Bylaw #01-2022 be given third reading.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

### **Strategic Planning Refresh Proposal**

11336 Resolution #11336

Moved by: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal approve the proposal for the Strategic Planning Refresh for the Town of Legal as presented by LadderUp Consulting Ltd. in the amount of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) and to proceed with the Strategic Planning Workshop.

### **CARRIED 5-0**

### Snow Removal and Ice Control for Roads, Sidewalks and Trails Policy 3.2

11337 <u>Resolution #11337</u>

Moved by: Mayor Jones

**RESOLVED** that the Snow Removal and Ice Control for Roads, Sidewalks and Trails Policy 3.2 be postponed until the next Council Meeting scheduled on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

#### **CARRIED 5-0**

### Raoul St Jean Legacy Project

11338 <u>Resolution #11338</u>

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tremblay

**RESOLVED** that the Town of Legal design a plaque for the legacy project for Raoul St. Jean in the amount not to exceed more than two thousand dollars (\$2000.00).

### **CARRIED 5-0**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

11339

Resolution #11339

Moved by: Councillor Hills

**RESOLVED** that the meeting be adjourned at 9:48 P.M.

**CARRIED 5-0** 

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer