



**TOWN OF ALTONA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 25th, 2018 at 5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE ALTONA CIVIC CENTRE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Altona Council held on Tuesday, September 25th, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Melvin Klassen, Deputy Mayor Al Friesen. Councillors: Terry Wiebe, Tim Fast, Glen Robinson, Donna Rosling-Wolters and Ann Kroeker. Youth Representative Jossie Yan.

Administration: Dan Gagné and Delores Loewen.

1. Call to order
Mayor Melvin Klassen called the meeting to order at the appointed time.
2. Review of agenda & previous minutes:
 - 2.1 Additions to the agenda

7.1.4 Resolution – Engagement of Solicitor Robert L. Tyler

RESOLUTION NO: 187-2018

Moved by: Ann Kroeker

Seconded by: Terry Wiebe

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be approved with the above noted addition.

CARRIED.

2.2 Previous Minutes – September 11th, 2018

RESOLUTION NO: 188-2018

Moved by: Tim Fast

Seconded by: Ann Kroeker

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of September 11th, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

2.3 Mayor/Council meeting resolution – not required

3. Delegations – none.

4. Hearings – none.

Committee Reports

5. Works & Operations

5.1 Resolutions

5.2 Shared Services

Mayor Melvin Klassen reported on the recent Shared Services meeting. Discussions were held on the Landfill loader, review of the financials and a brief discussion regarding a request by a Rhineland property owner.

5.3 Lower Red River Valley Water Commission

Councillor Terry Wiebe reported on the recent meeting of the Lower Red River Valley Water Commission where discussions were held on drought and local water issues.

5.4 Pembina Valley Water Coop

Councillor Tim Fast reported that all municipalities will be receiving a copy of the Pembina Valley Water Coop drought plan shortly.

5.5 Altona Police Board – no report.

6. Community & Social Development

6.1 Resolution – none.

6.2 Rhineland CARE

Councillor Donna Rosling-Wolters reported that the new Handi-van is now in operation.

6.3 Manitoba Sunflower Festival

Councillor Ann Kroeker noted that the Manitoba Sunflower Festival Committee will be holding their wrap up meeting tonight.

6.4 Council Youth Representative

Deputy Mayor Al Friesen welcomed Council Youth Representative Jossie Yan to the meeting. Jossie reported on the following WC Miller activities:

- Student Council has been meeting and will be creating additional committees with hopes of involving more students in the school.
- Gym construction is moving along, construction was halted earlier this summer due to construction issues. Completion is expected prior to the second semester.

6.5 South Central Regional Library

Deputy Mayor Al Friesen reported on a recent meeting of the South Central Regional Library. The Library Board held an extensive meeting involving all funding partners. It has come to the attention of the Board that there will be an impending \$60,000 shortfall in funding dollars for 2019. Those present proposed the following:

- Close on Saturdays occurring on long weekends
- Change to Telus from MTS
- General cost cutting
- A number of operational changes as well

There will be an increase to the per capita rates as follows:

- Municipality of Rhineland – \$1.75 per capita
- RM of Stanley – \$1.50 per capita
- RM of Thompson, RM of Pembina, Cities of Winkler and Morden and the Town of Altona – \$1.00 per capita

The per capital rate increases and some operational cuts will generate the necessary blend of cuts and new funding to balance the budget for 2019.

6.6 Altona & District Health Care Centre Inc.

Councillor Glen Robinson reported that the Board along with Dr. Winning reviewed the proposed doctor agreement. All feedback and recommendations regarding the proposal have been forwarded to the Town of Altona Solicitor Adam Mace as he is in the process of drafting the final agreement. Dr. Winning noted that the present doctors agree that the Clinic and the community would be better served if there was a minimum of five doctors practicing and would even consider six in the future. At present the Clinic is working on recruiting another female physician and hope that she is able to start practicing in March of 2019. The Altona Health Centre reported that there are still at least five vacancies in senior nursing staff as well as a need for health care aides.

6.7 Morden & District Veterinarian Board – no report.

6.8 Altona Curling Club – no report.

6.9 Gallery in the Park Operating Committee – no report.

6.10 Altona in Bloom – no report.

6.11 Immigration Coordinating Committee

Councillor Ann Kroeker reported on the recent Immigration meeting. Friesens Corporation has four new comers that have obtained their permanent work permits and will be bringing their families here early next spring. An additional 26 employees are scheduled to arrive within the next year.

7. Finance & Administration

7.1 Resolutions

7.1.1 Accounts Payable/Payroll & Indemnities

RESOLUTION NO: 189-2018

Moved by: Tim Fast

Seconded by: Glen Robinson

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Altona approved accounts payable cheques #4921 - #5053 and Payroll and Indemnities from July 29th – August 31st, 2018 as reviewed and recommended by the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.

7.1.2 Bylaw 1767/2018 – Smoking & Consumption of Cannabis

RESOLUTION NO: 190-2018**Moved by: Tim Fast****Seconded by: Ann Kroeker**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 1767/2018 to restrict smoking and the consumption of cannabis in public places be given first reading.

CARRIED.

7.1.3 Southern Manitoba Concerts

RESOLUTION NO: 191-2018**Moved by: Tim Fast****Seconded by: Glen Robinson**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Altona approve a grant to Southern Manitoba Concerts in the amount of \$200.00.

CARRIED.

7.1.4 Engagement of Solicitor Robert L. Tyler

RESOLUTION NO: 192-2018**Moved by: Tim Fast****Seconded by: Al Friesen**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Altona engage Robert L. Tyler of MLT Aikins LLP to represent the Town of Altona at an upcoming case management meeting of the Municipal Board on October 18th, 2018.

CARRIED.

8. Planning

8.1 Resolutions

8.1.1 Subdivision File No. 4400-18-7778

RESOLUTION NO: 193-2018**Moved by: Tim Fast****Seconded by: Terry Wiebe**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed Subdivision File No. 4400-18-7778 to subdivide two existing lots into three lots to allow for the construction of duplex dwelling be hereby approved as reviewed and recommended by Committee of the Whole on the following conditions:

1. THAT an order to vary the front yard setback from 25.0 feet to 5.0 feet be obtained for the proposed Lot #3.
2. THAT the east wall of the new duplex building on the proposed Lot #2 must meet a 1-hour fire separation standard for the entire wall length.

CARRIED.

8.1.2 Right-of-Way Easement Agreement

RESOLUTION NO: 194-2018

Moved by: Tim Fast

Seconded by: Glen Robinson

WHEREAS the Town of Altona Council approved subdivision file no. 4400-18-7767 on July 17, 2018;

AND WHEREAS Council approved the endorsement of an Easement and Right-of-Way Agreement to provide legal access to the residual parcel on August 21, 2018;

AND WHEREAS the Town's solicitor has recommended changes to the original draft agreement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Altona Council approves the endorsement of the revised Easement and Right-of-Way Agreement as reviewed and recommended by Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.

9. Other Committee Reports

9.1 Resolutions – none.

9.2 Altona Community Development Corporation

Councillor Terry Wiebe reported that the Altona Community Development Corporation will be holding their Strategic Planning Session / Mandate on October 16th. Councillor Wiebe will present a report to Council for their approval on the future of the Altona Community Development Corporation.

9.3 Altona & District Chamber of Commerce

Deputy Mayor Al Friesen reported that an All Candidates Forum will be held on Thursday, October 18th at the Rhineland Pioneer Centre. A new

Chamber Manager has been hired but the Board is awaiting to make the announcement until the new hire is ready for the announcement.

9.4 Central Manitoba Tourism

Deputy Mayor Al Friesen reported that the Board is finalizing their 2019 programming. There was a recent news article stating that the Town of Carman, Cities of Winkler and Morden and the RM of Stanley are looking at forming an additional Tourism Committee.

9.5 Community Futures Triple R

Councillor Ann Kroeker recently attended the Community Futures Triple R annual strategic planning session. Those present reviewed the mission statement and 2019 priorities.

9.6 RPGA Planning District – no report.

9.7 Regional Economic Development

Councillor Donna Rosling-Wolters reported that the SEED held their strategic planning session recently.

10. General Correspondence – none.

11. Unfinished business – none.

12. New business – none.

13. In-Camera – not required.

14. Adjournment

RESOLUTION NO: 195-2018**Moved by: Ann Kroeker****Seconded by: Terry Wiebe**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned and the next regular meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, October 9th, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Town of Altona Council Chambers.

Mayor

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