

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Banff in the Province of Alberta
Town Hall Council Chamber
Monday, December 15, 2008 at 2:00 pm

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

John Stutz	Mayor
Chris MacDonald	Councillor
Karen Sorensen	Councillor
Stavros Karlos	Councillor and Acting Mayor
Leslie Taylor	Councillor
John Gibson	Councillor

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Chip Olver	Councillor and Deputy Mayor
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ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Robert Earl	Town Manager
Kelly Gibson	Senior Accountant
Tom Maier	Manager of Corporate Services
Michelle Gurney	Manager of Communications
Alison Gerrits	Family & Community Support Services Supervisor
Ruth Pryor	Community Development Coordinator
Al Macnaughton	Community Peace Officer
Tony Clark	Bylaw Services Supervisor
Selena Stevenson	Bylaw Services Administrative Assistant
Mike Stourac	Sergeant, Banff RCMP
Cheryl Hyde	Municipal Clerk (Recording Secretary)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the December 15, 2008 regular meeting of Council to order at 2:02 p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1. Meeting Agenda

COU08-354 Moved by Councillor Taylor to approve the agenda of the December 15, 2008 regular meeting of Council with the following additions:

- Under New Business add 10.1 Outdoor Rink, 10.2 Trails and 10.3 Finance Committee, and 10.4 Bow Valley Regional Housing

CARRIED

2.2. Council Priorities Update and Long-Term Agenda

Council received the council priorities update and long-term agenda as information.

3.0 DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

4.0 ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES

4.1. Minutes of the December 8, 2008 Regular Meeting of Council

COU08-355 Moved by Councillor Sorensen to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2008 regular meeting of council as presented.

CARRIED

4.2. Minutes of the December 8, 2008 Special Meeting of Council

COU08-356 Moved by Councillor Gibson to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2008 special meeting of council as presented.

CARRIED

5.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. 2009 Operating and Capital Budgets

COU08-357 Moved by Mayor Stutz to adopt the 2009 – 2011 operating budget and the 2009 – 2021 capital budget as presented.

CARRIED

5.2. Code of Conduct

COU08-358 Moved by Councillor MacDonald to receive the draft Code of Conduct as information, approve the zero-cost components of the proposed communication approach for 2009 to share the Code of Conduct with both residents and visitors.

CARRIED

5.3. Animal Services Bylaw

COU08-359 Moved by Councillor Taylor to give third reading to Animal Services Bylaw 46-4.

Council unanimously agreed to amend section 18 a) of Animal Services Bylaw 46-4 by changing the words “forty (40) feet” to “ten (10) meters.”

The vote followed on motion COU08-359, to give third reading to Animal Services Bylaw 46-4.

CARRIED

5.4. Bylaw Services

The Bylaw Services report was accepted as information. Council unanimously directed administration to return with a report on the potential cost and revenue associated with hiring two summer students for Bylaw Services in 2009.

6.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1. Minutes of the December 10, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Municipal Planning Commission
Received as information.

7.0 INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries.

8.0 STAFF REPORTS/BYLAWS

8.1. Regional Transportation Authority

Darren Reeder, Chair of the Regional Transportation Authority Steering Committee, was present to answer questions from Council.

COU08-360 Moved by Councillor Karlos to ratify a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Banff, the Town of Canmore and ID#9 that sets out terms and procedures for creating a Bow Valley Regional Transportation Authority, and to approve a resolution authorizing the Town of Banff to participate in and submit a Regional Partnerships Initiative Implementation Grant application.

CARRIED

8.2. Municipal Policing Committee

COU08-361 Moved by Councillor MacDonald to defer the decision on what type of policing committee to establish until November 2009 and direct administration to further investigate the community benefits of establishing a policing committee.

CARRIED

COU08-362 Moved by Councillor Gibson to direct administration to contact the Banff RCMP detachment commander with the intention of forming a Community Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

Karlos opposed

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was submitted.

10.0 NEW BUSINESS

10.1. Outdoor Rink

Councillor MacDonald requested that administration contact CP Rail to inquire about the possibility of installing an outdoor skating rink at the train station parking lot.

10.2. Trails

Council unanimously directed administration to provide a risk assessment on keeping townsite trails open during the winter.

10.3. Finance Committee

A request from Councillor MacDonald to consider formation of a finance committee was not supported by Council.

10.4. Bow Valley Regional Housing

Councillor Gibson reported that Bow Valley Regional Housing has completed the purchase of Abbeyfield House in Banff.

11.0 INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

COU08-363 Moved by Councillor Gibson to adjourn at 3:24 p.m.

CARRIED

John Stutz
Mayor

Cheryl Hyde
Municipal Clerk

Minutes approved by: _____