

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF CALMAR WAS HELD IN PERSON
AND VIRTUALLY ON MONDAY DECEMBER 18, 2023**

Access Code: 211-016-493

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Carnahan called the Regular Council Meeting of December 18, 2023, to order at the hour of 6:32 pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Carnahan, Councillors Faulkner, Gardner, McKeag Reber & Benson, CAO Losier, and Acting Director, Infrastructure and Growth Nielson.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

Moved by Councillor Mckeag Reber that the agenda is hereby adopted as amended.

*Addition of correspondence – MLA invitation
Addition of closed session for development
Advance 8 C) after delegation since the auditor is in attendance*

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0351**

3. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

4. **DELEGATIONS:** None

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

- a) **Regular Council Meeting** – December 04, 2023

Moved by Councillor Faulkner that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 04, 2023, are hereby approved as presented.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0353**

- a) **Special Council Meeting** – December 11, 2023

Moved by Councillor Gardner that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of December 11, 2023, are hereby approved as presented.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0354**

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

7. **BYLAWS or POLICIES:**

- a) **Bylaw #2023-029** – User fees

Moved by Councillor that Bylaw#2023-29 be given first reading as amended.

Amendments include removal of section 2.4 and renumbering, adjusting non-local youth at \$170, adjust commercial/industrial (\$5.20) and agriculture water rate (\$3.10)

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0355**

- b) **Bylaw #2023-028** – Asset Management Committee

Moved by Councillor Gardner that Bylaw #2023-028, a bylaw to establish the Asset Management Committee be given second reading.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0356**

Moved by Councillor Benson that Bylaw #2023-028, a bylaw to establish the Asset Management Committee be given third and final reading.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0357**

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8. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Economic Development Strategy

Moved by Councillor McKeag Reber that Council approved the Economic Development Strategy as presented.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0358**

b) Assessment review

Moved by Councillor Gardner that Council receives the report as information.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0359**

c) Appointment of auditors

Moved by Councillor Benson that Council appoints for the fiscal years of 2023, 2024, 2025:

- St. Arnaud Pinsent Steman as the Town's auditor
- John Pinsent, FCPA, FCA, ICD.D as the Town's auditor
- Jeannette Adams, CPA, Ca as Town's auditor
- Monique Andrie, CPA as the Town's auditor

And to direct the Mayor and CAO to execute the contract.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0352**

*Recess @ 8:02 pm
Reconvene @ 8:20 pm*

9. FINANCIAL:

a) Operational Budget

Moved by Councillor McKeag Reber that Council approved the 2024-2027 Interim Operational Budget as amended.

Amendment is increase of \$80 in grant from GoA.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0360**

b) Capital Budget

Moved by Councillor Benson that Council approved the 2024-2027 Interim Capital Budget as amended.

Amendment includes grant adjustments.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0361**

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS: None

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11. COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Mayor Carnahan
- b) Councillor Faulkner
- c) Councillor Gardner
- d) Councillor McKeag Reber – Not Submitted
- e) Councillor Benson

Moved by Councillor Faulkner that the reports are received by Council as information.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0362**

12. ACTION ITEMS: None

13. CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Invitation from MLA Boitchenko

14. CLARIFICATION OF AGENDA BUSINESS – (Open mic)

15. CLOSED SESSION:

- a) **Development** - (Pursuant to Section 25(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act)

Moved by Councillor Benson that the Regular Council Meeting temporarily adjourn, and Council sit in Closed Session at this time being 9:11 pm.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0363**

CAO Losier remained in the meeting for the Closed Session.

Moved by Councillor that the Regular Council Meeting reconvene from Closed Session at this time being 9:34 pm.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0364**

Moved by Councillor Faulkner that the Regular Meeting of Council extend past 9:30pm

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0365**

It is noted that Councillor Benson absented himself from the discussion and voting of the following motion.

Moved by Councillor McKeag Reber that Council rejects the proposal provided by the developer and rescind the previous tax payment agreement presented by the Town of Calmar to the developer.

**CARRIED
R-23-12-0366**

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16. ADJOURNMENT:

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

These minutes signed this 18th day of January 2024.



Mayor Carnahan



CAO Losier