MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GIBBONS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025, AT 4807 – 50th AVENUE IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Council Present: Acting Mayor Dale Yushchyshyn

Councillor Loraine Berry Councillor Amber Harris Councillor Willis Kozak Councillor Jay Millante Councillor Norm Sandahl

Council Absent:

Staff Present: Eric Lowe – Interim CAO

Monique Jeffrey – Director of Corporate Services Stephanie Peters – Director of Community Services

Curtis Parsons – Manager of Operations

Terra Pattison – Finance Manager/Recording Secretary

Staff Absent:

As a quorum was present, Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

3.0 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Lowe requested that item 8.1 be moved to before 7.0 on the agenda.

4.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Councillor Sandahl moved to accept the agenda as amended.

25.195 MOTION CARRIED

5.0 ADOPTION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES

6.0 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

6.1 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL – APRIL 9, 2025

Councillor Berry moved to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council as presented.

25.196 MOTION CARRIED

6.2 **PUBLIC HEARING – APRIL 17, 2025**

Councillor Sandahl moved to accept the minutes of the April 17, 2025, Public Hearing as presented.

25.197 MOTION CARRIED

8.0 APPOINTMENTS

8.1 2024 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Phil Dirks of Metrix Group presented the 2024 Audited Financial Statements to Council.

Councillor Millante moved to accept the 2024 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn In Favour Councillor Berry In Favour Councillor Harris Against Councillor Kozak In Favour Councillor Millante In Favour Councillor Sandahl In Favour

25.198 MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Berry moved that Council move to Closed Session as per *Section 197 (2)* of the *Municipal Government Act* concerning the following item at 7:35 pm.

25.199 MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Sandahl moved that Council revert to normal seating 8:12 pm.

25.200 MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Dirks left the meeting at 8:13 pm.

Councillor Sandahl moved to accept the Audit findings report from Metrix Group as presented.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn In Favour Councillor Berry In Favour Councillor Harris Against

Councillor Kozak In Favour
Councillor Millante In Favour
Councillor Sandahl In Favour

25.201 MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Berry moved to approve the Financial Statements as presented.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn In Favour Councillor Berry In Favour Councillor Harris Against Councillor Kozak In Favour Councillor Millante In Favour Councillor Sandahl In Favour

25.202 MOTION CARRIED

7.0 FINANCE

7.1 ACCOUNTS PAID AS AT APRIL 17, 2025

Councillor Kozak moved to accept the Accounts Paid as at April 17, 2025, as information as presented.

25.203 MOTION CARRIED

7.2 CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Councillor Sandahl moved that Council accept the Cash Flow Statement for information as presented.

25.204 MOTION CARRIED

7.3 2025 OPERATING BUDGET

Councillor Berry moved that Council approve the 2025-2029 Operating Budget as presented in the total amount of \$9,456,196.00 in revenues, \$12,910,272.00 in expenditures levying a tax levy requirement of \$3,454,076.00.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn In Favour

Councillor Berry In Favour
Councillor Harris Against
Councillor Kozak In Favour
Councillor Millante In Favour
Councillor Sandahl In Favour

25.205 MOTION CARRIED

7.4 PROPOSED 2025-2029 CAPITAL BUDGET

Councillor Sandahl moved that Council approve the 2025-2029 Capital Budget in the amount of \$3,030,019.00 to be funded through the utilization of Federal and Provincial Grant Programs and municipal reserves and operating funds as identified.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn In Favour Councillor Berry In Favour Councillor Harris Against Councillor Kozak In Favour Councillor Millante In Favour Councillor Sandahl In Favour

25.206 MOTION CARRIED

9.0 OLD BUSINESS

9.1 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOLLOW UP

Councillor Berry moved that Council accept Accounts Payable follow up as information.

25.207 MOTION CARRIED

10.0 NEW BUSINESS

10.1 NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING

Councillor Millante moved that Council proclaim April 28, 2025, as the Day of Mourning for those who lost their lives due to workplace injuries and illnesses.

25.208 MOTION CARRIED

11.0 BYLAWS AND POLICIES

11.1 BYLAW ALT 4-25 – RESCIND BYLAWS RELATING TO COTTAGE LANDS

Councillor Berry moved that Council give 3rd Reading to Bylaw ALT 4-25 Rescind Cottage Land Bylaws.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn In Favour Councillor Berry In Favour Councillor Harris Against Councillor Kozak In Favour Councillor Millante In Favour Councillor Sandahl In Favour

25.209 MOTION CARRIED

11.2 BYLAW ALT 5-25 2025 TAX RATE BYLAW

Councillor Berry moved that Council proceed with Option 2 with a tax rate increase of 1.5% with a surplus of \$353,155.24.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn
Councillor Berry
Councillor Harris
Councillor Kozak
Councillor Millante
Councillor Sandahl
Against
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Against

25.210 MOTION DEFEATED

Councillor Sandahl moved that Council proceed with Option 1 with a tax rate increase of 1% with a surplus of \$334,400.40

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn
Councillor Berry
Councillor Harris
Councillor Kozak
Councillor Millante
Councillor Sandahl
In Favour
In Favour
In Favour

25.211 MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Millante moved to give 1st Reading Bylaw ALT 5-25 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw as amended.

Councillor Harris requested a recorded vote:

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn In Favour Councillor Berry In Favour Councillor Harris Against Councillor Kozak In Favour Councillor Millante In Favour Councillor Sandahl In Favour

25.212 MOTION CARRIED

12.0 STAFF REPORTS

12.1 ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Councillor Sandahl moved to accept the Administration Report as information.

25.213 MOTION CARRIED

13.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Berry attended:

• Municipal Affairs Bill 50 Townhall

Councillor Harris had nothing to report due to current sanctions.

Councillor Kozak attended:

- Life in the Heartland
- Guthrie School Pancake Breakfast
- Sherwood Park Chamber of Commerce
- Municipal Affairs Bill 50 Townhall

Councillor Millante attended:

- Life in the Heartland
- Municipal Affairs Bill 50 Townhall

Councillor Sandahl attended:

• Sherwood Park Trade Fair

- Life in the Heartland
- Community Futures Tawatinaw meeting

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn attended:

- · Life in the Heartland
- · Roseridge Landfill meeting
- Municipal Affairs Bill 50 Town
- Virtual meeting with Sturgeon County for Sturgeon Regional

Councillor Sandahl moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

25.214 MOTION CARRIED

14.0 CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – MINISTER RIC MCIVER

Councillor Berry moved to accept the correspondence as information.

25.215 MOTION CARRIED

15.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn called a recess at 9:05 pm.

Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn called the meeting back to order at 9:14 pm.

16.0 CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Kozak moved that Council move to Closed Session as per *Section 197 (2)* of the *Municipal Government Act* concerning the following item at 9:14 pm.

25.216 MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Millante moved that Council revert to normal seating 9:26 pm.

25.217 MOTION CARRIED

16.1 BYLAW ALT 1-25 FOIP S.23

Councillor Sandahl moved to accept this as information.

25.218	MOTION	I CARRIED
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17.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Acting Mayor Yushchyshyn adjourned the meeting at 9:27 pm.

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Acting Mayor Dale Yushchyshyn

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Interim CAO Eric Lowe