

TOWN OF GRANUM
REGULAR COUCIL MEETING

Drop In Center – 306 Railway Avenue, Granum, Alberta

August 13, 2019 – 6:30 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Harold Johnsrude.

In attendance Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude, Interim CAO Terry Hurlbut, MLA Roger Reid and members of the public.

2. AGENDA

Official Administrator Johnsrude moved the agenda be approved with the removal of the delegation appointment of Chinook Arch Regional Library System CEO and the addition in New Business 9.d – Appointment of Granum and District Recreation Board member. CARRIED

3. MINUTES

a) Minutes of June 11, 2019

Official Administrator Johnsrude moved to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on July 9, 2019: CARRIED

4. PUBLIC HEARING

No public hearing was held.

5. DELEGATIONS

a) Roger Reid – MLA for Livingston-MacLeod who addressed those in attendance about provincial happenings.

6. FINANCE

a) Town of Granum Financial Statement to July 31, 2019

Official Administrator Johnsrude advised it is expected tax revenue to be about \$10,000 below projections and that there are several negative trends that Administration will be reviewing.

Official Administrator Johnsrude moved to accept the Financial Report for information: CARRIED

7. BY-LAW & POLICY

There were no By-Laws or Policies presented.

8. BUSINESS ARISING

There was no Business arising.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a) Library Board

- i) Council is required to appoint the auditor for the Granum Library Board. We are waiting for information regarding the recommended appointment.

Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude moved to defer the decision to the September 10, 2019 Council Meeting: CARRIED

- ii) Removal of board Member

The Libraries Act requires Council to appoint members to the Library Board; the ACT also requires Council to unappoint members. We have received information that Brianne Walker is no longer on the Granum Library Board.

Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude move to remove Brianne Walker from the Granum Library Board.: CARRIED

b) Municipal District of Willow Creek – Public Hearing

The MD of willow Creek is holding a public hearing regarding the removal of clause 8.7 of their Municipal Development Plan. This clause requires an Urban Fringe District that regulates future subdivision and

development within identified areas. We have contacted the Oldman River Regional Services Planning Commission for advice and we are not sufficiently satisfied with the reply.

Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude moved for Administration to issue a letter to the Municipal District of Willow Creek, Public Hearing opposing the removal of clause 8.7 of the MD Municipal Development Plan regarding Urban Fringe District.: CARRIED

c) Fire Services Collaboration Agreement

Official Administrator Johnsrude advised he reported at the July meeting of his attendance at an inter-municipal meeting regarding the Fire Service Collaboration Agreement; the draft agreement is fairly general and straight forward. A meeting has been scheduled for August 14, 2019 to discuss this Agreement further and we have determined our attendance is not necessary.

Moved by Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude that Administration contact the facilitator regarding the Fire Services Collaboration Agreement that we agree with the terms of the Agreement and will not be attending the August 14, 2019 meeting: CARRIED

d) Appointment to Granum and District Recreation Board

Official Administrator Johnsrude advised the Board had met August 13, 2019 and advised that they recommended that a Town Council representative be appointed to the Board to enhance communication from the Town.

Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude moved to appoint Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude to the Granum and District Recreation board until the term of the Official Administrator is completed; CARRIED

10. **COMMITTEE/OTHER REPORTS**

There were no other Committee Reports.

11. **ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

Official Administrator Harold Johnsrude provided a verbal report on the following topics:

- ! Proceeding with the mediation initiative has been reviewed resulting in the decision to defer until after the viability review decision has been made.
- ! The Viability Review is on schedule with plans to hold a public meeting for the report presentation in September followed by the residents' decision expected to be held in October.
- ! Mary Lou Grabowsky has resigned from the Granum & District Recreation Board.

Interim CAO Hurlbut provided a verbal report on topics as follows:

- ! Utility bills, Occupational Health and Safety update, water main break, sewer lift station, Infrastructure Audit nearing completion, staffing vacant Town staff positions, grass cutting and arborist.
- ! The recent notice from the Town of Claresholm regarding an increase in water rates starting November, 2019. This notice is being reviewed; resident water bills will not be impacted until the Town utility rate bylaw is amended which may not be done until an official Council is in place.

12. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was received for information

- a) Alberta Municipal Affairs – Potential to meet with them at AUMA convention in September;
- b) Election Commissioners Office – Advising of new regulations regarding by-elections
- c) Town of Granum Canada Day Society – Thank You letter
- d) Town of Claresholm – Water Rate Increases

13. **CONFIDENTIAL**

There were no topics of confidential nature presented.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Official Administrator Johnsrude declared the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Official Administrator

Interim Chief Administrative Officer