

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**of the Town of Whitecourt**  
held on Monday, June 10, 2019

Present:	Mayor Chichak; Deputy Mayor Chauvet; Councillors Connell, Hilts, McAree, Pickard, and Schlosser; Chief Administrative Officer Smyl; and Recording Secretary Ashcroft.
Call to Order:	The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Chichak presiding.
Adoption of Agenda:	<p><u>19-209 Moved by Councillor Schlosser</u></p> <p>That the Agenda be adopted as presented.</p> <p style="text-align:right">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Minutes from the May 27, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council:	<p><u>19-210 Moved by Councillor Pickard</u></p> <p>That the Minutes from the May 27, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.</p> <p style="text-align:right">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Public Input Session:	<p>Kathryn Owens, 4 Park Circle, noted that she was concerned with the drainage work undertaken at Southland Park. She commented that the area has not been cleaned-up after construction and was concerned with safety. She noted that there is no signage or fencing in this area. She asked what the plan was for remediation, beautification and safety for this area.</p> <p>Administration noted that drainage work has not been fully completed but scheduled for completion in the fall.</p> <p><u>19-211 Moved by Councillor Hilts</u></p> <p>That Council refer this item to Administration and to respond back to Ms. Kathryn Owen regarding the drainage project future plans and remediation work.</p> <p style="text-align:right">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Canada Day Events – Parade & Pancake Breakfast:	<p>The Chief Administrative Officer stated that Town Council will be hosting the Canada Day pancake breakfast as part of the Canada Day and 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations. It was also noted that the Whitecourt Legion will be hosting the Canada Day parade.</p> <p><u>19-212 Moved by Councillor Hilts</u></p> <p>That Council Members be authorized to participate in the July 1, 2019 Canada Day Celebration.</p> <p style="text-align:right">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
Single-Use Items Reduction Strategies Workshop:	<p>The Chief Administrative Officer stated that Council was invited to attend the Single-Use Items Reduction Strategies Workshop that Edson &amp; District Recycling Society (EDRS) will be hosting on Thursday, June 20, 2019 at the Edson Galloway Station Museum.</p> <p><u>19-213 Moved by Deputy Mayor Chauvet</u></p> <p>That Council authorize two Members to attend the Single-Use Items Reduction Strategies Workshop scheduled for June 20, 2019 at the Edson Galloway Station Museum.</p> <p style="text-align:right">- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>

Housing For Health  
Whitecourt Pilot  
Input Workshop:

The Chief Administrative Officer stated that the Housing for Health Pilot Input Workshop will be hosted by the University of Alberta and Christenson Group of Companies. The workshop will provide local stakeholders the opportunity to learn about the Housing For Health Project, meet the project team, and take part in initial workshop discussions.

19-214 Moved by Councillor McAree

That Council Members be authorized to attend the Housing For Health Whitecourt Pilot Input Workshop scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 in Whitecourt.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Alberta Urban  
Municipalities  
Association (AUMA)  
2019 Convention:

The Chief Administrative Officer stated that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) will be holding its 2019 Convention in Edmonton from September 25 to 27, 2019.

19-215 Moved by Deputy Mayor Chauvet

That Council be authorized to attend the 2019 AUMA Convention in Edmonton from September 25 to September 27, 2019.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Whitecourt Fire  
Department Golf  
Tournament:

The Chief Administrative Officer stated that an invitation was received from the Whitecourt Fire Department for its annual Golf Tournament scheduled for Friday, July 12, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

19-216 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That Council be authorized to attend the Whitecourt Fire Department Golf Tournament on Friday, July 12, 2019 at the Whitecourt Golf and Country Club.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Request to  
Recognize National  
Drowning  
Prevention Week:

The Chief Administrative Officer stated that a request was received from the Lifesaving Society Alberta and Northwest Territories Branch to recognize July 21 to July 27, 2019 as National Drowning Prevention Week.

19-217 Moved by Councillor Connell

That Council recognize July 21 to 27, 2019 as National Drowning Prevention Week as per Policy 11-008 Salutes of Special Days/Weeks/Events and/or Proclamations.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

19-218 Moved by Deputy Mayor Chauvet

That the Regular Meeting of Council go into a Closed Meeting to discuss Downtown South Update as per Section 16 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act; and Intermunicipal Agreements as per Section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. Time: 7:22 p.m.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chief Administrative Officer Smyl, Director of Community Safety Tymchyshyn, Director of Corporate Services Barney, Director of Community Services Howarth, Director of Planning and Development Loberg, Director of Infrastructure Services Zaman, and Legislative Manager Gallant, were in attendance during the Closed Meeting to provide administrative advice.

19-219 Moved by Councillor Pickard

That Council revert to the Regular Meeting. Time: 7:42 p.m.  
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Downtown South Update (Closed Meeting):

19-220 Moved by Councillor Pickard

That Council accept the Downtown South Update item as information.  
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Intermunicipal Agreements (Closed Meeting):

19-221 Moved by Deputy Mayor Chauvet

That Council authorize the Mayor to write a letter of response to Woodlands County regarding the Intermunicipal Collaboration Committee Representation.  
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

19-222 Moved by Councillor Hilts

That Council direct Administration to prepare a report for 2020 budget deliberations that outlines Whitecourt’s financial and service level impacts without Woodlands County’s partnerships.  
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Reports:

Councillor Hilts reported that he attended a Communities in Bloom Committee meeting, and the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Golf Tournament.

Councillor McAree reported that he attended the 2019 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference (FCM), the Seniors’ Week - Dinner & Dance, the Best Tasting Lemonade Competition as part of Lemonade Day, and the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Golf Tournament.

Councillor Connell reported that he attended a Whitecourt Regional Solid Waste Management Authority meeting, and the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Golf Tournament.

Councillor Schlosser reported that he attended the Run 4 Fun event.

Deputy Mayor Chauvet reported that he attended a Whitecourt Regional Solid Waste Management Authority meeting, the 2019 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference (FCM), the Party In The Park Sponsor Appreciation Dinner, and the 721 Hawk Squadron banquet.

Mayor Chichak reported that she attended an Alberta Health Services meeting, the 2019 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference (FCM), the Seniors’ Week Rotary Club BBQ and Crib Tournament, an Enhancement Grant presentation, the 2019 Summer Municipal Leaders' Caucus meeting, and Gateway Academy’s Year End Awards Ceremony.

19-223 Moved by Councillor Schlosser

That Council accept the Councillor Reports as information.  
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Items of Information:

19-224 Moved by Deputy Mayor Chauvet

That Council accept the following items as information:  
a) Town Accounts – Cheques #066781 - #66978;

- b) Letter from Honourable Jason Nixon, Minister of Alberta Environment and Parks, thanking Mayor Chichak for her congratulations letter;
- c) Letter dated May 17, 2019 from Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier of Alberta, thanking Mayor Chichak for her congratulations letter;
- d) Letter dated May 21, 2019 from Honourable Jason Copping, Minister of Labour and Immigration, thanking Mayor Chichak for her congratulations letter;
- e) Letter dated May 23, 2019 from Honourable Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Alberta Children’s Services, thanking Mayor Chichak for her congratulations letter;
- f) Letter dated May 23, 2019 from Heather Cowie, President, Alberta Recreation & Parks Association, regarding upcoming Awards;
- g) Letter dated May 23, 2019 from Heather Cowie, President, Alberta Recreation & Parks Association, regarding 2019 ARPA Conference and Energize Workshops;
- h) May 29, 2019 Press Release – Upcoming Community Events and Street Closures;
- i) May 29, 2019 Press Release – Whitecourt Town Council Update;
- j) May 30, 2019 Press Release – Whitecourt Announces Pembina Pipeline Corporation’s Plans to Build a New Office;
- k) June 4, 2019 Press Release – Whitecourt Fire Ban Lifted;
- l) Empowering Citizens for Health & Opportunity Society (ECHO) fundraiser information;
- m) Mayor’s Calendar; and
- n) Council’s Calendar.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment:

19-225 Moved by Councillor McAree

That the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned. Time: 8:03 p.m.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

***Approved as per Motion 19-232***

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Mayor

***Approved as per Motion 19-232***

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Chief Administrative Officer