



Town of Morinville
Regular Meeting of Council

Tuesday, June 25, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
Morinville Civic Hall

Members Present: Mayor S. Boersma
Deputy Mayor J. Anheliger
Councillor R. Balanko
Councillor S. Dafoe
Councillor M. St. Denis
Councillor R. White

Members Absent: Councillor S. Richardson

Staff Present: N. Narayan, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Edwards, General Manager, Community & Infrastructure Services
M. Hay, General Manager, Administrative Services
T. Auer, Manager, Planning & Economic Development
J. Betteridge, Manager, Infrastructure Services
B. Boddez, Fire Chief / Manager, Community Safety Services
T. Dalzell-Heise, Manager, Communications & Legislative Services
T. Nosko, Manager, Financial Services
J. Potocnik, Acting Manager, Community Services
W. Norton, Supervisor, Enforcement Services
S. Novak, Economic Development Officer
R. Gilbert, Legislative & Corporate Initiatives Coordinator
N. Sowers, Information Management & Legislative Administrator

1. Call to Order

Mayor S. Boersma called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and acknowledged that Town Council meets on Treaty 6 Territory, traditional lands of the Cree, Dene, Stony Nakota Sioux, Saulteaux and Ojibiwe First Nations and the Metis people. The Town of Morinville is dedicated to ensuring that the spirit of Treaty 6 is honoured and respected.

2. Adoption of Agenda

2.1 Notice of Identified Meal break: 6:30 - 7:00 pm

Mayor S. Boersma provided notice of an identified meal break between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m.

2.2 Adoption / Additional Items

159/2024

Moved by R. Balanko

That Council approve the agenda as presented.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

2.3 Consent Agenda

160/2024

Moved by S. Dafoe

That Council approve the following items on the Consent Agenda and respective recommendations:

- 6.1 Adoption of Minutes, May 14, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council
- 10.1.1 Utility Bylaws Update
- 11.1.1 Morinville Emergency Management Agency Report

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

3. Deputy Mayor Appointment

3.1 Deputy Mayor Appointment

Mayor S. Boersma made a verbal presentation.

161/2024

Moved by R. White

That Council appoints Councillor Rebecca Balanko as Deputy Mayor for the period of June 25, 2024, to February 25, 2025.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

Councillor R. Balanko swore and signed the Oath of Office of Deputy Mayor.

4. Public Hearing

4.1 Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 13/2024

Mayor S. Boersma declared the public hearing open at 4:06 p.m.

S. Novak, Economic Development Officer and T. Auer, Manager, Planning & Economic Development, provided a presentation of the Land Use Bylaw No. 13/2024.

No correspondence was received in relation to the Land Use Bylaw No. 13/2024.

No one came forward to speak in favour or opposition to the Land Use Bylaw No. 13/2024.

Mayor S. Boersma declared the public hearing closed at 4:13 p.m.

5. Business Arising from Public Hearing

5.1 Mobile Vendor Bylaw No. 11/2024 & Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 13/2024

162/2024

Moved by R. White

That Council approve 3rd Reading of the Mobile Vendor Bylaw No. 11/2024.

For (5): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Against (1): S. Dafoe

Carried (5 to 1)

163/2024

Moved by M. St. Denis

That Council approve 2nd Reading of the Land Use Bylaw Amendment, Bylaw No. 13/2024.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

164/2024

Moved by R. White

That Council approve 3rd Reading of the Land Use Bylaw Amendment, Bylaw No. 13/2024.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

6. Adoption of Minutes

6.1 May 14, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council

Approved on Consent Agenda;

That Council approve the May 14, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council minutes.

7. Protocol Items

Councillor White presented a video on the Murray Knight Canada Day Flags. Council thanked the Morinville Historical and Cultural Society, Hunter's Print and Copy, Jiffy LUBE Morinville, Soaring Pig Studios, and all volunteers who helped with the organization and distribution of Canada Day flags in honour of Murray Knight.

The Town will host Canada Day activities on Monday, July 1, from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Ray McDonald Sports Grounds and splash park. Cookies will be available to share.

Council expressed condolences to the Morinville Community Library on the passing of their chameleon, Odin.

The Budget 2025 Survey is now available online until July 21, 2024. Residents are encouraged to participate at engagemorinville.ca.

Council acknowledged the hard work of Town staff in organizing Festival Days and National Indigenous Peoples' Day. Festival Days took place from June 14-16, 2024, with several free family events, including the Council's pancake breakfast. National Indigenous Peoples' Day was observed on June 21, 2024, with a ceremony at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre.

Council congratulated Christina Dafoe, a teacher at Four Winds Public School, for receiving a Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence in STEM in Ottawa on June 18, 2024. Dafoe was recognized for her use of robotics, coding, graphic design, and real-world challenges in her classroom, and for creating the STEAM (STEM plus Arts) Academy at Four Winds Public in 2020.

Council thanked and presented retirement gifts to Margaret Meetsma, a Library staff member, and Isabelle Cramp, Director of the Morinville Community Library, for their 21 years of service to the community.

8. Delegations

8.1 Government of Alberta Update - Scheduled 4:45 p.m.

Honourable Dale Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction and MLA for St. Albert-Morinville, made a verbal presentation providing updates from the Government of Alberta and answered questions from Council.

8.2 Community Services Advisory Committee - Needs Assessment

H. Hughes, Chair, Community Services Advisory Community, made PowerPoint presentation (attached to Agenda) and answered questions from Council.

8.3 Municipal Development Plan - Council Introduction

B. Murray, Partner & Project Manager and B. Naud, Communication & Engagement Specialist from B&A Studios, made a PowerPoint presentation (attached to Agenda) and answered questions from Council.

9. Public Presentations

9.1 Scheduled Public Presenters

There were no scheduled Public Presenters.

9.2 Public Sign-Ups

There were no public presentations.

10. Business

10.1 Bylaws

10.1.1 Utility Bylaws Update

Approved on Consent Agenda;
That Council approve 2nd Reading of the Water Utility Bylaw No. 14/2024.

Approved on Consent Agenda;
That Council approve 2nd Reading of the Sewer Utility Bylaw No. 15/2024.

10.2 New Business

There were no scheduled New Business Items.

10.3 Policy

There were no scheduled Policy Items.

11. Committee of the Whole

165/2024

Moved by S. Dafoe

That Council move into Committee of the Whole at 5:40 p.m.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

Mayor S. Boersma passed the Chair to Deputy Mayor R. Balanko.

11.1 Business

11.1.1 Morinville Emergency Management Agency Report

Approved on Consent Agenda;

That Committee accept the Morinville Emergency Management Agency Report as information.

11.1.2 2023 Animal At Large Review

Councillor J. Anheliger left the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Councillor J. Anheliger returned to the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

166/2024

Moved by S. Dafoe

That Committee accept the 2023 Animal at Large Report as information.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

11.1.3 2024 Community and Support Grant Funding Applications

167/2024

Moved by R. White

That Committee accept the 2024 Community and Support Grant Funding Report as information.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

11.1.4 2025 Budget Kick-Off Follow-up Discussion

168/2024

Moved by J. Anheliger

That Committee accept the 2025 Budget Kick-Off Report as information.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

11.1.5 Edmonton Global Discussion

Mayor S. Boersma made a verbal presentation and answered questions from Council.

12. Business Arising from Committee of the Whole

169/2024

Moved by R. White

That Committee move into Regular Meeting of Council at 6:24 p.m.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

Deputy Mayor R. Balanko passed the Chair to Mayor S. Boersma.

12.1 2025 Budget Kick-Off Follow-up Discussion

170/2024

Moved by S. Dafoe

That Council approve the cancellation of the September 20, 2024, Budget 2025, Regular Meeting of Council.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

171/2024

Moved by M. St. Denis

That Council amend the September 21, 2024, Budget 2024, Regular Meeting of Council to start at 9:00 a.m. rather than 4:00 p.m.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

172/2024

Moved by M. St. Denis

That Council amend the 2024 Council Calendar to include an additional Regular Meeting of Council on October 15, 2024, to discuss 2025 Budget.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

173/2024

Moved by M. St. Denis

That Council direct Administration to explore opportunities and associated costs for hosting or livestreaming the September 21, 2024, meeting to discuss Budget 2025 at other locations.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

Mayor S. Boersma recessed the meeting at 6:35 p.m. for Meal Break.

Mayor S. Boersma called the meeting back to order at 7:05 p.m.

174/2024

Moved by J. Anheliger

That Council direct Administration to bring forward a report to increase FCSS (Family and Community Support Services) barrier free child and youth programming for 2025 Budget deliberations.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

175/2024

Moved by J. Anheliger

That Council direct Administration to bring forward a report for increasing services for complex cases supported by FCSS (Family and Community Support Services) for 2025 Budget deliberations

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

176/2024

Moved by S. Dafoe

That Council direct Administration to review where reductions could be made in Council's per diem and other line items to reflect what is actually used. This review should include a look at policy in terms of the number of meetings councillors can attend, for example EMRB, alternates.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

177/2024

Moved by M. St. Denis

That Council direct Administration to provide a business case for a Street Banner Program to increase vibrancy to streetscapes along 100th Ave and 100th Street.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

178/2024

Moved by M. St. Denis

That Council direct Administration to provide options for a service level increase for a tree planting and renewal program throughout Morinville.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

13. Notices of Motion

13.1 Councillor R. White

179/2024

Moved by R. White

That Council direct Administration to change the Capital Plan/Budget by moving the replacement of the Infrastructure Services Building from 2027 to 2029. The savings that will result will be put into road and sidewalk rehabilitation.

Motion Withdrawn

180/2024

Moved by R. White

That Council direct Administration to provide a report outlining the rationale for replacement of the current Infrastructure Services building and include options for deferment and the savings that could result in road and sidewalk rehabilitation for 2025 Budget deliberations.

For (6): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, R. Balanko, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (6 to 0)

181/2024

Moved by R. White

That Council direct Administration to change the Capital Plan/Budget to do road and sidewalk rehabilitation on 101 street from 99 avenue to 96 avenue in 2026.

Motion Withdrawn

14. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session Items.

14.1 Return to Open Session

15. Business Arising from Closed Session

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Mayor

Recording Secretary

Date Approved by Council

UNADOPTED