

TOWN OF THORSBY  
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
November 19, 2019  
7:00 PM

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of Council was called to order by Mayor Raymond at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Raymond  
Deputy Mayor: Nathan Raymond  
Councillors: Ivor Foster  
Cory Gilbert  
Ken Poffenroth - Electronic attendance

CAO: Christine Burke

**AGENDA ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / ADOPTION**

- 6.1 Smoking bylaw and cannabis use in public places
- 6.2 39/20 Alliance
- 6.3 Information seminar
- 6.4 School Budget
- 7.1 Business arising from closed session

2019-COW77 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to accept the agenda as presented  
*Carried.*

**DELEGATION**

**4.1 – Thorsby Municipal Library**

Ms. Elson, Library Board President and Ms. Sacuta, Library President presented to Council regarding updates on library programming in the community.

Discussion occurred around the budget for the library and creative program cost recovery and a continued close relationship with the Town.

Ms. Elson and Ms. Sacuta left the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**5.1 Open House debrief**

Council was happy with the event overall. Meeting had run an hour past scheduled time and some good questions had been brought forward. Council discussed the possibility of providing a bursary to encourage independent reporting on Council matters.

**5.2 RSDP027965 Alberta Transportation response to TT-19-01 Subdivision application**

Council discussed the document submitted by Alberta Transportation which may have impact for future development considerations.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**6.1 Smoking bylaw and cannabis use in public places**

2019-COW78 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to table until such time as somebody has done

adequate research into what the provincial statues infact do say so we can avoid redundant effort of creating bylaws that may or may not already be against provincial statue.

#### **6.2 39/20 Alliance**

Council discussed attendance at upcoming scheduled meeting. Mayor Raymond to attend accompanied by Councillor Poffenroth electronically.

#### **6.3 Information seminar**

CAO Burke provided an update to Council on an upcoming webinar at the Town of Calmar Nov 20<sup>th</sup> on local impact investing cooperative.

#### **6.4 School Budget**

2019-COW78 Moved by Councillor Gilbert that the official stance of the Town of Thorsby, all members of Council included, in regard to Blackgold School board operations and budget be to offer no option and to defer questions to the school board representatives or trustee.

2019-COW79 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to adjourn for five minutes to allow CAO Burke to find the appropriate section of FOIP before entering closed session.  
*Carried*

Mayor Raymond called the meeting back to order at 8:53

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

2019-COW80 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to go into closed as per Section 24 1 (b)(i) and invite CAO Burke to join Council at 8:54 p.m.  
*Carried.*

2019-CoW81 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to return to the Regular Meeting of Council at 9:09 p.m.  
*Carried.*

2019-COW82 Moved by Councillor Gilbert that administration follow up on providing a legal opinion with the town solicitor as discussed  
*Carried*


2019-COW83 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond to go into closed as per Section 24 (1)(a) and invite C.A.O. Burke to join Council at 9:10 p.m.  
*Carried.*

2019-COW84 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond to return to the Regular Meeting of Council at 10:17 p.m.  
*Carried*

2019-COW85 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond that Administration draft an employee Code of Conduct.  
*Carried*

MOTION TO ADJOURN

2019-COW86 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting of Council at 10:17 p.m.  
*Carried.*



Rod Raymond, Mayor



Christine Burke, CAO

January 14, 2020  
Date Adopted