

TOWN OF THORSBY  
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
September 15, 2020  
7:00 PM

Call to

Order: The Committee of the Whole was called to order by Mayor Raymond at 6:59:00 pm

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

CAO: Christine Burke

Delegations: Dave Andersen

Public at large

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

AGENDA ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Additions: 5.5 Support request for additional shale costs

2020-CoW77 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond to accept the agenda as amended  
*Carried*

DELEGATIONS

**4.1 Dave Andersen**

Mr Andersen advised Council he had heard rumors that Arctic Spas Recreation Complex was not going to be reopened, even after the current pandemic had passed.

Council engaged in discussion regarding the work and planning that was required before a relaunch could begin and that there were no plans to close the complex. Council updated Mr. Andersen on the review work that had taken place throughout 2020 and some of the ideas to increase usage going forward. They also took the opportunity to engage with Mr. Andersen regarding affordable housing and Taylor Park development ideas.

Mayor Raymond thanked Mr. Andersen for bringing his concerns forward so they could be addressed directly

BUSINESS

**5.1 Tree Proposal**

Council discussed moving forward on the Tree proposal from ATTS Group

2020-CoW78 Moved by Councillor Foster to approve the Tree Proposal from ATTS Group  
*Carried*

**5.2 ATCO GAS Franchise proposed term of agreement**

Discussion occurred regarding the franchise agreement and term length the bylaw was to be prepared for.

Administration to prepare for a 10-year term.

### 5.3 Alberta Council Workshops

Council reviewed the workshops offered.

2020-CoW79 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond to accept as information  
*Carried*

### 5.4 ATCO GAS Franchise proposed term of agreement

Struck from agenda – duplicate item of 5.2

### 5.5 Support request for additional shale costs

CAO Burke briefed Council on the request verbally received from Mr. Kobeluck looking to secure and addition\$6,0000 funding towards additional shale that was not previously foreseen as required to complete the second ball diamond being constructed by volunteers. Over \$20,000 had already been provided by the Town in support of the project.

Council discussed the matter, but agreed it could not support additional funding from taxes

2020-CoW80 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to direct Administration to provide for a draft policy requiring for submission of annual financials from any community groups soliciting tax dollars towards any event, function or purchase  
*Carried*

2020-CoW81 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond to accept as information  
*Carried*

## REPORTS

### 6.1 CAO Updates

- 2019 Audit delays/progress
- Financial Information Return delay request
- Lagoon valve issues
- Pop up market push back to Thanksgiving weekend

## FINANCIAL

## CORRESPONDENCE

## CLOSED SESSION

Items 9.3 and 9.4 struck – duplicated items 9.1 and 9.2

### 9.1 Closed Session

2020-CoW82 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to move to closed session at 8:06 as per F.O.I.P. Section 24(1)(b) and to invite CAO Burke to join Council.  
*Carried*

2020-CoW83 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to move to back to the regular meeting of Council at 8:32 as.  
*Carried*

9.2 Closed Session

2020-CoW84 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to move to closed session at 8:35 as per F.O.I.P. Section 24(1)(b) and to invite CAO Burke to join Council.  
*Carried*

2020-CoW85 Moved by Deputy Mayor Raymond to move to back to the regular meeting of Council at 8:57  
*Carried*

MOTION TO ADJOURN

2020-CoW86 Moved by Councillor Gilbert to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting of Council at 8:57 pm.  
*Carried.*



Rod Raymond, Mayor



Christine Burke, CAO

November 10, 2020  
Date Adopted