

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF OYEN
WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON DECEMBER 10, 2018,
2018 AT 7:00 PM**

PRESENT

Doug Jones	Mayor
Stacey Wiechnik	Deputy Mayor
Ed Hogan	Councillor
Blake Hertz	Councillor
James Walker	Councillor

ABSENT

Joseph Lazzari	Councillor
Jack Hauck	Councillor

ATTENDING

Debbie Kovitch; Interim CAO, Tracy Wright; Recording Secretary, Lee Tucker; Recreation Director, Quinton Rowland; Public Works Representative.

DELEGATIONS

Marlene Watson-Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta
Tony Mauro – Oyen Solar Partners

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walker to approve agenda governing the regular Council meeting of December 10, 2018, with the addition of request for approval Leave of Absence from Councillor Lazzari.

CARRIED.

**LEAVE OF
ABSENCE**

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan that the Council of the Town of Oyen approve the absence of Councillor Lazzari from the regular Council meeting of December 10, 2018.

CARRIED.

**REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING**

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that the Council of the Town of Oyen approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on November 15, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED.

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM PREVIOUS
MINUTES:**

**PRAIRIE ROSE
SCHOOL DIV. OFFICE**

Council agreed to table discussion on the Prairie Rose School Administration building to the next regular Council meeting of January 14, 2019.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Town of Oyen Strategic Planning session with Julie Friesen to be held January 4th, 2019, at the Town Office with all Council Members.

DELEGATIONS:

**PRAIRIE CROCUS
FUND**

Marlene Watson, Regional Development Manager of Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta, gave a presentation and review of the Foundation together with the formation and facts of the Prairie Crocus Community Fund. Committee Members: Diana Walker, Linda Bingeman and Lorraine Guckert were also in attendance.

Mayor

Interim CAO

OYEN SOLAR PARTNERS

Tony Mauro, representative of the Oyen Solar Partners gave a presentation on the development of the Oyen Solar Project and are requesting consideration be given for the Town of Oyen or SA & Oyen Development Corporation to commit to applying for the appropriate grant funding and entering into a Community Benefit Agreement.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Quinton Rowland, Public Works, reviewed and discussed his written report with Council.

PROJECTS MANAGER/ INTERIM CAO

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan that the Council of the Town of Oyen accept for information the reports of Interim CAO/Project Manager & Public Works and Recreation Director as presented.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

PROPOSED SUBDIVISION

Letter received and a copy of tentative plan from Palliser Regional Commission RE: Proposed subdivision and consolidation of Blk.C, Plan 135FT & Part of SW ¼ Sec. 3-28-4-W4. Palliser requests that any comments and/or recommendations be forwarded to them.

RICHARD WOODS

Letter received from Mr. Woods expressing his concerns and requesting the Town of Oyen proceed with the demolition of the abandoned hotel located next to the Ace Hardware building before it collapses and causes damage to his property. If damages occur, he will hold the Town liable.

Discussion took place and the Interim CAO Kovitch was instructed to investigate.

RED DEER RIVER WATERSHED

A letter was received from the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance requesting financial support of .50 per capita.

Decision to support will be tabled until Councilor Lazzari, is in attendance to advise Council.

FARM SAFETY

A letter was received from Farm Safety Centre requesting financial support for the delivery of Safety Smarts program to rural children.

RESOLUTION by Councilor Hertz to approve of supporting the Safety Smarts Program in the amount of \$153.30.

CARRIED

TRANSCANADA CORPORATION

Email sent notifying Mayor and Council that the TransCanada Corp. Public Affairs will be visiting Oyen on November 27th, between 2 and 4pm to present an information session about their supply chain process of working with Prime and Local Contractors on their projects and Activities. It was also requested that they meet with Mayor and Council before the info. session to provide a KXL Project update.

Mayor

Interim CAO

ABSENCE

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walker that the Council of the Town of Oyen approve of the absence of Councillor Lazzari.

CARRIED

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor and Council submitted verbal reports on activities and meetings attended since the October 10, 2018, regular Council meeting.

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that Council accept for information the verbal Council reports received on activities and meetings that were attended since the October 10, 2018, regular Council meeting.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that the Council of the Town of Oyen accept the list of correspondence as presented.

CARRIED.

RECESS

Mayor Jones called for a recess of the regular Council meeting at 8:48 PM.

RECONVENE

Mayor Jones called for the regular Council meeting to resume at 8:55 PM.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

FENCE REMOVAL

Progress is delayed due to an under staffed Public Works Department.

PRAIRIE ROSE

November 13th or 14th, 2018, to walk through Prairie Rose School Division building. Council members to notify date when attend.

CAO/PUBLIC WORKS RECRUITMENT

IN CAMERA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hertz that the Council of the Town of Oyen go in camera at 9:00 PM.

CARRIED.

OUT OF CAMERA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that the Council of the Town of Oyen come out of camera at 9:20 PM.

CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan to extend the deadline to November 16, 2018, to receive applications for the position of Town of Oyen Public Works Foreman.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that the Council meeting be adjourned at 9:30 PM.

CARRIED.

Mayor

Interim CAO

