



TOWN OF ONOWAY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2025
9:30 a.m.
Council Chambers
Oneway Civic Centre (and Virtually Via Zoom)

Council Present: Mayor Lenard Kwasny
Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson
Councillor Bridgitte Coninx
Councillor Robin Murray
Councillor Sheila Pockett

Administration: Jennifer Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer
Gino Damo, Director of Corporate and Community Services
Debbie Giroux, Recording Secretary

2 members of the public attended the meeting in person
5 members of the public attended the meeting via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lenard Kwasny called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and advised that the meeting will be recorded and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Treaty 6 Land. Mayor Kwasny congratulated Councillor Robin Murray for the completion of the Municipal Elected Leader's Certificate.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion # 122-25

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT the May 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting agenda be approved with the following amendments(s) (as noted at meeting time):

Add 10a) 2) Committee of the Whole-Parade Float Discussion-requested by Deputy Mayor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

4. CONSENT AGENDA, INCLUDING APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Motion # 123-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT all items on the proposed consent agenda and respective recommendations be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- a. April 24, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- b. 11. Information Items
 - a. Community Futures Yellowhead East – April 22, 2025 news release regarding Investment Attraction Marketing Strategy.
 - b. Lac Ste. Anne Foundation Board Meeting Minutes – February 25 and March 14, 2025

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS - n/a

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS - n/a

8. POLICIES & BYLAWS

- a. C-FIN-FIR-1 - Financial Reporting Policy

Motion # 124-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council approve the Policy C-FIN-FIR-1-Financial Reporting Policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b. Bylaw 828-25 - Tax Rate Bylaw

Motion # 125-25

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Bylaw # 828-25 the Property Tax Rate Bylaw be given first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 126-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Bylaw # 828-25 the Property Tax Rate Bylaw be given second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 127-25

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Bylaw # 828-25 the Property Tax Rate Bylaw be considered for third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 128-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Bylaw # 828-25 the Property Tax Rate Bylaw be given third and final reading and be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- c. Bylaw 829-25 - Special Tax Bylaw

Motion # 129-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Bylaw # 829-25 the Special Tax Bylaw be given first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 130-25

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Bylaw # 829-25 the Special Tax Bylaw be given second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 131-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Bylaw # 829-25 the Special Tax Bylaw be considered for third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 132-25

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Bylaw # 829-25 the Special Tax Bylaw be given third and final reading and be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- d. Bylaw 830-25 - Borrowing Bylaw

Motion # 133-25

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Bylaw # 830-25 the Borrowing Bylaw be given first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 134-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Bylaw # 830-25 the Borrowing Bylaw be given second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 135-25

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Bylaw # 830-25 the Borrowing Bylaw be considered for third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 136-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Bylaw # 830-25 the Borrowing Bylaw be given third and final reading and be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. ACTION ITEMS

- a. 2025 National Public Works Week Community Declaration

Motion # 137-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT the Town of Onoway declare May 18-24 as National Public Works Week 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b. 2025 Seniors' Week Community Declaration

Motion # 138-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT the Town of Onoway declare June 2 to 8 as Seniors' Week 2025 and host a Seniors Appreciation Tea on Tuesday, June 3, 2025 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. COUNCIL, COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS

Motion # 139-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT the Council and Staff Reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- a. Committee of the Whole

1. Infrastructure and Development - A Request for Decision is attached

Motion # 140-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that Administration prioritize the 47th Avenue water extension and prepare an investment package for residential development by extending 48A Avenue development and extending 45th Street development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Parade Float Discussion

Motion # 141-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council authorize a Heritage Days Float budget of \$500.00 from the Beautification allotment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

Approved under the Consent Agenda Motion 123-25

- a. Community Futures Yellowhead East - April 22, 2025 news release regarding Investment Attraction Marketing Strategy
- b. Lac Ste. Anne Foundation Board Meeting Minutes - February 25 and March 14, 2025

12. CLOSED MEETING

Motion # 142-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council move into a Closed Meeting at 10:33 a.m. pursuant to Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act and Section 16 FOIP: Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party-Contracts.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council recessed from 10:33 am until 10:35 a.m. to allow members of the public and the recording secretary to leave the meeting.

The following individuals attended the Closed Meeting.

Mayor Lenard Kwasny

Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

Councillor Robin Murray

Councillor Sheila Pockett

Jennifer Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer

Gino Damo, Director of Corporate and Community Services

Clint and Jocelyne Eastman attended the Closed Meeting from 10:48 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Motion #143-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council move out of Closed Meeting at 11:59 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 144-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT the Town of Onoway advise the complainant that the matter submitted to the Town of Onoway, is outside the scope of responsibility of the Town of Onoway and should be addressed to the applicable community group.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. ADJOURNMENT

As all matters on the agenda have been addressed, Mayor Lenard Kwasny declared the Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Signed by Lenard Kwasny
Mayor

Signed by Jennifer Thompson
Chief Administrative Officer