

**Public Hearing and Special Council Meeting
August 18, 2021
Town Council Chambers**

Present

Mayor L. Boucher
Deputy Mayor A. Murray
Councillor S. Cameron
Councillor W. Cormier
Councillor M. Farrell
Councillor D. MacInnis
Councillor D. Roberts

Also Present

J. Lawrence, CAO
D. Wilson, Deputy Clerk
M. Barkhouse, Corporate Services
S. Scannell, Strategic Initiatives

Media

Call to Order

Mayor L. Boucher called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM and noted that a Public Hearing was being held for Council to consider giving Second and Final reading to the proposed Parking Meter Bylaw.

Approval of Agenda

“It was Moved and Seconded to approve the agenda as presented.” Motion carried.

Public Hearing – Parking Meter Bylaw

Mayor L. Boucher called the Public Hearing open.

In response to a query from Mayor L. Boucher, the Deputy Clerk noted that no written comments or responses were received regarding the proposed Parking Meter Bylaw.

Mayor L. Boucher called on S. Scannell to lead discussion on the Parking Meter Bylaw.

S. Scannell took to the podium and provided details noting this Bylaw is intended to replace the existing Parking Bylaw and provided details.

Council was advised that further to comments from Council the proposed cost for parking meter violations has been reduced from \$25 to \$20 and S. Scannell expanded on details and exemptions that would be included.

Mayor L. Boucher called for questions from Council.

“It was Moved and Seconded to close the Public Hearing.” Motion carried.

At 6:09 PM Council convened a Special Council Meeting

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Approval of Agenda

“It was Moved and Seconded to approve the Agenda as presented.” Motion carried.

“It was Moved and Seconded that Council give 2nd and Final reading to the Parking Meter Bylaw.” Motion carried with Councillor D. Roberts voting against the motion.

Proclamation

- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Week
Mayor L. Boucher read aloud and signed the proclamation for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Week and declared September 6-10, 2021, as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Week.

New Business

- National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – September 30th
CAO J. Lawrence noted that September 30th has been declared a federal statutory holiday with respect to Truth and Reconciliation and it has been left up to individual municipalities to decide whether to declare September 30th a holiday and suggested moving it to the September meeting of Council.

Discussion took place and it was suggested that Council consider doing more than simply declaring a holiday.

CAO J. Lawrence suggested that perhaps the Mayor could reach out to Paq'tnkek First Nation for their input.

CAO J. Lawrence provided comment on discussions between the CAO's, Chiefs and Warden to discuss commonalities and what each one does and could include discussion on September 30th.

Discussion took place with each Councillor providing their opinion.

“It was Moved and Seconded to defer discussion on Truth and Reconciliation – September 30 to the September meeting of Town Council.” Motion carried.

Correspondence

- Happy Cones Solar Powered Ice Cream Trailer – Request to Waive Fees

Mayor L. Boucher noted she had received the correspondence and noted Council is being requested to waive the requested vending fee.

CAO J. Lawrence noted that Council does not have the right to waive the vendor fee as requested.

Mayor L. Boucher provided comment noting that consideration must also be given to existing businesses.

Brief discussion took place and it was generally agreed that Council respond in the negative to the request.

“At 6:21 PM it was Moved and Seconded to adjourn the meeting.” Motion carried.”