

**MINUTES**  
OF THE  
**PICTURE BUTTE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
HELD IN  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 AT 6:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor C. Moore Deputy Mayor C. Papworth Councillor T. Feist  
Councillor H. de Kok Councillor C. Neels

**ALSO PRESENT:** Chief Administrative Officer – K. Davis  
Director of Corporate Services – M. Overbeeke  
Municipal Enforcement Officer – R. Mosby  
Administrative Assistant – C. Johnson

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Moore called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

379 2411 25 MOVED by Councillor de Kok that the agenda be approved as presented.  
CARRIED

**3.0 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

3.1 Regular Council Meeting – November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

380 2411 25 MOVED by Councillor Feist that the Regular Council Meeting minutes of  
November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 be approved as presented.  
CARRIED

**4.0 PUBLIC HEARING – Aggressive Dog Appeal Hearing**

Municipal Enforcement Officer, Ryan Mosby, spoke to the Aggressive Dog Classification Appeal case. Monty Cahoon was issued a warning that an Aggressive Dog Classification could be imposed in February 2024 after the first incident was reported. Two more incidents were reported in September. At that time the Aggressive Dog Order was issued and conditions were imposed on Mr. Cahoon that included a shorter lead, not leaving the dog unattended when outside the home and to pay an aggressive dog license fee (\$150). This fee was later reduced by Council to \$75 for 2024.

4.1 Submissions

4.1.1 In Person Submissions

4.1.1.1 Ask for Those in Favour

Cheryl Garrat, one of the complainants, was present at the meeting to speak in favour of the Aggressive Dog Order.

Marilyn Cortez, one of the complainants, was present at the meeting to speak in favour of the Aggressive Dog Order.

Wayne Hawthorne, one of the complainants, was present at the meeting to speak in favour of the Aggressive Dog Order.

4.1.1.2 Ask for Those Opposed

Monty Cahoon and Alex Hann, the defendants, spoke in opposition of the Aggressive Dog Order.

4.1.2 Written Submissions

4.1.2.1 Ask for Those in Favour

Marilyn Cortez submitted a letter in favour of the Aggressive Dog Order giving details to her encounters with Mr. Cahoon's dog.

Wayne Hawthorne submitted a letter in favour of the Aggressive Dog Order outlining the need to keep the Community safe.

#### 4.1.2.2 Ask for Those Opposed

Fawn Van Schothorst submitted a letter opposed to the Aggressive Dog Order outlining her non-aggressive run-ins with Mr. Cahoon's dog.

#### 4.2 Adjourn the Public Hearing

Mayor Moore adjourned the Aggressive Dog Classification Appeal Hearing at 7:11 p.m.

R. Mosby left the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

### 5.0 DELEGATION

#### 5.1 Maddy From – Food Cycle Science

Food Cycle Science is a Canadian company that focuses on food waste diversion services with Municipal partnerships. Household waste is composed of 25-50% of organic waste. That organic waste is 90% liquid mass and can be heavy in the trash. Organic waste also produces methane, which is 25 times more harmful than CO<sub>2</sub>. Reducing food waste means less collection and fewer trips to the collection site. In areas with animals, reducing food waste can deter animals from going through the garbage. Green bins are used in larger centres but have a major capital expenditure to process and collect the food waste. Contamination and participation rates are an ongoing issue. Backyard composting can be an option for those that have the space and expertise but can attract pests and animals. The Food Cycler is able to reduce food waste by 90%. The by-product is a dry, sterile, odourless & nutrient-rich fertilizer. The Food Cycler promotes increased awareness to food waste and how the environmental impact of the waste. The pilot programs have been very successful with 98% participation rates and 96% recommendation rates. On average each household throws out 40 less bags of garbage each year when composting with the Food Cycler.

The pilot program is 12 weeks long. Residents will purchase the Food Cycler from the Municipality as a subsidized cost and use it for a period of 12 weeks. At the end of the period, the residents will provide their review of the product and a brief survey. The information gathered can be used in future organic waste diversion programs. Council agreed that this program sounded promising and

381 2411 25      MOVED by Councillor Neels to direct Administration to have Food Cycle Science present the food waste presentation to the Lethbridge Regional Waste Management Commission.

CARRIED

### 6.0 REQUESTS FOR DECISION

#### 6.1 Council Meeting Schedule

382 2411 25      MOVED by Councillor Feist to cancel the December 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Regular Council meetings; cancel the December 16<sup>th</sup> Committee of the Whole meeting; schedule a Regular Council meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

CARRIED

#### 6.2 Town Centennial Celebration

383 2411 25      MOVED by Councillor Feist to declare 1926 as the date that Picture Butte was settled.

CARRIED

## 7.0 MAYOR'S REPORT

### 7.1 Mayor's Report

November 18 Attended a Committee of the Whole meeting  
November 19 Attended a virtual meeting with Minister Dreeshen's team  
November 19 Attended a Lobbying for Piyami Lodge rebuild meeting

384 2411 25 MOVED by Mayor Moore that the Mayor's Report be accepted as presented.  
CARRIED

## 8.0 COUNCIL'S REPORT

### 8.1 Council's Report

Councillor Feist advised Council of her recent activities:

November 18 Attended a Committee of the Whole meeting  
November 21 Attended a Picture Butte History Committee meeting

Councillor de Kok advised Council of his recent activities:

November 18 Attended a Committee of the Whole meeting  
November 20 Attended a SouthGrow Economic Development webinar

Deputy Mayor Papworth advised Council of her recent activities:

November 18 Attended a Committee of the Whole meeting  
November 19 Attended a Lobbying for Piyami Lodge rebuild meeting  
November 21 Attended a Picture Butte History Committee meeting  
November 22 Attended a Green Acres Executive Board meeting

Councillor Neels advised Council of her recent activities:

November 16 Attended the Chinook Arch Library Extravaganza  
November 18 Attended a Committee of the Whole meeting  
November 19 Attended Picture Butte Library Board meeting  
November 20 Attended a SouthGrow Economic Development webinar

385 2411 25 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Papworth that the Council Reports be accepted as presented.  
CARRIED

## 9.0 ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

### 9.1 CAO Report

386 2411 25 MOVED by Councillor Neels to accept the CAO Report as presented.  
CARRIED

#### 9.1.1 Director of Parks and Recreation Report

387 2411 25 MOVED by Councillor Neels to accept the Director of Parks and Recreation Report as presented.  
CARRIED

388 2411 25 MOVED by Councillor de Kok to direct Administration to organize a meeting of the Intermunicipal Development Committee.  
CARRIED

## 10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

### 10.1 SouthGrow – Letter of Support Request

389 2411 25 MOVED by Councillor de Kok to receive and file SouthGrow - Letter of Support Request.  
CARRIED

10.2 Alberta Irrigation Districts Association Letter re: Provincial Water Availability Engagement

390 2411 25            MOVED by Councillor de Kok to receive and file Alberta Irrigation Districts Association Letter re: Provincial Water Availability Engagement.  
CARRIED

**11.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- 11.1 Shaughnessy Community Association – Thank you
- 11.2 Oldman River Regional Services Commission – Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – October 2024

391 2411 25            MOVED by Councillor Feist to receive and file Informational Items 11.1 - 11.2.  
CARRIED

**12.0 CLOSED SESSION**

- 12.1 FOIP Act Division 2 Section 20 – Aggressive Dog Classification Appeal
- 12.2 FOIP Act Division 2 Section 22 - CUPE and Town of Picture Butte Memorandum of Settlement

392 2411 25            MOVED by Deputy Mayor Papworth to close the meeting to the public in accordance with Division 2 Section 20 & 22 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to discuss Aggressive Dog Classification Appeal and CUPE and Town of Picture Butte Memorandum of Settlement at 8:10 p.m.  
CARRIED

393 2411 25            MOVED by Councillor Feist to open the meeting to the public at 8:51 p.m.  
CARRIED

394 2411 25            MOVED by Deputy Mayor Papworth that the Aggressive Dog Order for Milo, the Schnauzer dog owned by Monty Cahoon, be upheld until September 2025, whereupon the Aggressive Dog order will be reassessed. Further, that the \$200 appeal fee be applied to the 2024 and 2025 Aggressive Dog licence fees (2024 - \$75, 2025 - \$150) and to waive the remaining, outstanding amount of \$25.  
CARRIED

C. Johnson left the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

395 2411 25            MOVED by Councillor de Kok to accept the CUPE and Town of Picture Butte Memorandum of Settlement with the exception of section 17.01(h).  
CARRIED

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

396 2411 25            MOVED by Councillor Neels that the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 9:00 p.m.  
CARRIED

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Cathy Moore  
Mayor

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Keith Davis  
Chief Administrative Officer