



Regular Council Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2025, 1:00 p.m.
City of Penticton, Council Chambers
171 Main Street, Penticton, B.C.

Council Present: Mayor Bloomfield
Councillor Watt
Councillor Konanz
Councillor Graham (via Zoom)
Councillor Gilbert

Council Absent: Councillor Miller

Staff Present: Anthony Haddad, City Manager
Angie Collison, Corporate Officer
Angela Campbell, Director of Finance and Administration
Kristen Dixon, General Manager of Infrastructure
Blake Laven, Director of Development Services
Kelsey Johnson, Director of Community Services
Paula McKinnon, Deputy Corporate Officer

1. Call Regular Council Meeting to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Introduction of Late Items

3. Adoption of Agenda

18/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council Adopt the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting held on January 28, 2025 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Recess to Committee of the Whole

19/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council Recess to a Committee of the Whole meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.1 Call Committee of the Whole to Order

The Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m.

4.2 Adoption of Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the Agenda for the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on January 28, 2025 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.3 Delegations

4.3.1 Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Draft 2025-2029 Budget Presentation

Wayne Making, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen provided Council with a presentation on the draft RDOS 2025 budget.

4.3.2 Proclamation: "Real Acts of Caring Week" February 9-15, 2025

Grade 7 students, KVR Middle School, provided Council with a presentation on the work they have been doing for Real Acts of Caring and requested that Council proclaim February 9-15, 2025 as "Real Acts of Caring Week".

Mayor Bloomfield read the proclamation proclaiming February 9-15, 2025 as "Real Acts of Caring Week" in the City of Penticton.

4.3.3 Proclamation: "Penticton Community Radio Week" February 2-8, 2025

Claire Thompson, President, Peach City Community Radio Society, provided Council with a presentation on Peach City Community Radio Society and requested that Council proclaim February 2-8, 2025 as "Penticton Community Radio Week".

Mayor Bloomfield read the proclamation proclaiming February 2-8, 2025 as "Penticton Community Radio Week" in the City of Penticton.

4.3.4 Organic Recycling at Net Zero Waste Eastgate Ltd.

Mateo Ocejo, Net Zero Waste East Gate Ltd, provided Council with a presentation about Net Zero Waste East Gate's fully operational facility, plans for the future and how working with Net Zero Waste East Gate can benefit the City of Penticton.

4.4 Adjourn to Regular Meeting of Council

The Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on January 28, 2025 be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. **Reconvene the Regular Council Meeting**

Council Reconvened the Regular Council Meeting at 1:46 p.m.

6. **Adoption of Minutes**

6.1 Minutes of the January 14, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

20/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting minutes of January 14, 2025 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Minutes of the January 16, 2025 Special Council Meeting

21/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the Special Council Meeting minutes of January 16, 2025 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. **Consent Agenda**

22/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Consent Agenda:

1. January 14, 2025 Public Hearing Minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. **Staff Reports**

8.1 2024-2028 Amended Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2025-02

23/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council give first, second and third reading to “2024-2028 Amended Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2025-02”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Long-term Borrowing – Security Issuing Resolution – Penticton Ave Pressure Reducing Valve

24/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia, as part of their 2025 spring borrowing session, of five million and one hundred thousand dollars (\$5,100,000) as authorized through “Penticton Ave Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) Replacement Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2022-32” and that the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen be requested to consent to the borrowing over a twenty (20) year term and include the borrowing in a Security Issuing Bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Leash-Optional Pilot Program – Next Steps

Main Motion:

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive into the record the report dated January 28, 2025 titled “Leash-Optional Pilot Program – Next Steps”;

AND THAT the “leash-optional” areas continue at the following locations:

- Riverside Park – 187 Riverside Drive
- Skaha Lake Park – Main – 3661 Parkview Street
- Skaha Lake Park – East – 3895 Lakeside Road
- Water Treatment Plant Entrance – 1900 Penticton Ave

AND THAT the current fenced Dog Park at Okanagan Park be expanded by approximately 30m.

Amendment:

25/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council add "AND THAT a partial fence be built along the pathway to "leash-optional" Riverside Park location;

AND THAT Okanagan Lake Park be used as an off-shoulder seasonal (not summer) "leash-optional" location."

Opposed (4): Mayor Bloomfield, Councillor Watt, Councillor Graham, and Councillor Gilbert

DEFEATED

Amendment:

26/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council add "AND THAT partial fencing be built along the paved and unpaved walkways at the "leash-optional" Riverside Park location.

Opposed (5): Mayor Bloomfield, Councillor Watt, Councillor Konanz, Councillor Graham, and Councillor Gilbert

DEFEATED

27/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive into the record the report dated January 28, 2025 titled "Leash-Optional Pilot Program – Next Steps";

AND THAT the "leash-optional" areas continue at the following locations:

- Skaha Lake Park – Main – 3661 Parkview Street
- Skaha Lake Park – East – 3895 Lakeside Road
- Water Treatment Plant Entrance – 1900 Penticton Ave

AND THAT the current fenced Dog Park at Okanagan Park be expanded by approximately 30m;

AND THAT staff report back with information on partial fencing along the walkways at the Riverside Park "leash-optional" location.

Opposed (2): Councillor Watt, and Councillor Konanz

CARRIED

8.4 License to Use Agreement: Penticton Safety Village Society

28/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the ten (10) year nominal rate License to Use Agreement with the Penticton Safety Village Society for the use of 500 Edmonton Avenue; for the purpose of the operation of a Children's Safety Village and equipment storage.

AND THAT Council authorize the Director of Finance and Administration and Corporate Officer to execute the License to Use Agreement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5 Affordable Housing Pilot Funding Program Extension

29/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve a one-year extension of the Affordable Housing Pilot Funding Program to run to the end of February 2026;

AND THAT the remaining \$79,700 allocation from the Affordable Housing Reserve be available for the extended program;

AND THAT the 2025-2029 Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Bylaws and Permits

9.1 Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2023-14

Re: 924 Fairview Road

30/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council rescind third reading and give third reading as amended (updated to match new zoning bylaw number) to "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2023-14";

and THAT Council adopt "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2023-14".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Notice of Motion

11. Business Arising

12. Public Question Period

13. Council Round Table

14. Adjourn to a Closed Council Meeting

31/2025 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council recess to a closed meeting of Council pursuant to the provisions of the Community Charter as follows: Section 90 (1)

(f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment;

(j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the [Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act](#); and Section 90(2)

(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

Angie Collison, Corporate Officer

Julius Bloomfield, Mayor