

Municipality of Crowsnest Pass

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

A regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass was held in Council Chambers on Tuesday, June 10, 2025.

Council Present:

Councillors: Deputy Mayor Dave Filipuzzi, Vicki Kubik, Doreen Glavin, Glen Girhiny, Lisa Sygutek, and Dean Ward

Council Absent:

Mayor Blair Painter

Administration Present:

Patrick Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer
Kristin Colucci, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Brian McCulloh, Director of Finance
Sally Turner, Manager of Finance
Jeremy Wickson, Director of Development, Engineering & Operations
Laken McKee, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Filipuzzi called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Additions:

Coal meeting in Fort Macleod- Councillor Sygutek 10.b)

Personal Privacy – FOIP Section 17- Councillor Sygutek 11.d)

01-2025-06-10: Councillor Sygutek moved to adopt the agenda as amended.
Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

02-2025-06-10: Councillor Girhiny moved that Council approve the following Consent Agenda items as presented.
Carried

3.a

Minutes of the Municipal Historic Resource Advisory Committee of March 24, 2025

That Council accepts the Minutes of the Municipal Historic Resource Advisory Committee of March 24, 2025, as information.

3.b

Minutes of the Municipal Planning Commission Committee of April 23, 2025

That Council accepts the Minutes of the Municipal Historic Resource Advisory Committee of March 24, 2025, as information.

3.c

ORRSC Executive Committee Minutes of April 17, 2025

That Council accepts the ORRSC Executive Committee Minutes of April 17, 2025, as information.

3.d

Library Board Financial Reviewer – MNP LLP

That Council approve MNP LLP as the Library Board new financial reviewer.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

03-2025-06-10: Councillor Ward moved to adopt the Minutes of the Council Meeting of May 27, 2025, as presented.
Carried

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

DELEGATIONS

Alberta Municipalities

Tyler Gandam, President of AB Municipalities, Deborah Reid - Mickler, Vice President and Dylan Bressey, Vice President of Alberta Municipalities were in attendance to present to Council an update on AB Munis and member engagement.

REQUESTS FOR DECISION

Bylaw 1223, 2025 – South Bellevue Infrastructure Replacement Borrowing Bylaw

04-2025-06-10: Councillor Ward moved second reading of Bylaw 1223, 2025.
Carried

05-2025-06-10: Councillor Girhiny moved third and final reading of Bylaw 1223, 2025.
Carried

Bylaw 1225, 2025 – LUB Amendment Redesignate a portion of Lot 1, Block 3, Plan 1811416 from Non-Urban Area – NUA-1 to Residential -R-1

06-2025-06-10: Councillor Ward moved first reading of Bylaw 1225, 2025.
Carried

Request for two Letter of Support for the Revive the Roxy

07-2025-06-10: Councillor Ward moved that Council approve the request for the Letter of Support for the Revive the Roxy Project to Alberta Capital Fund 2026 Budgeting Process.
Carried

08-2025-06-10: Councillor Sygutek moved that Council defer the request for the Letter of Support to Elk Valley Resources for the Revive the Roxy Project.
Carried

09-2025-06-10: Councillor Sygutek moved that Administration to contact Rory O’Conner, Director, Indigenous & Government Relations of Elk Valley Resources to find out about funding opportunities for Gazebo Park in Blairmore.
Carried

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

- Councillor Glavin worked at the Community BBQ on June 5th. They cooked 1000 Hamburgers and 600 hotdogs!
 - Great turn out and it was wonderful to see so many people out at the market and enjoying the beautiful weather.
- Attended the Alberta South West AGM meeting last Wednesday.
 - Council members had a tour of the Remington Carriage Museum in Cardston, AB.
 - Alberta South West always hosts their AGM in a different community and at different tourist attractions, Councillor Glavin expressed how great the Museum

was and encouraged the Public to utilize these facilities in our own corner of Southern Alberta.

- Attended the Ed Gregor Memorial Day.
 - It was encouraging that the volunteers didn't even pick up half a bag of garbage all the way around the pond, it's great to see people cleaning up after themselves.
 - It was discouraging that quads have been bypassing the barricades to ensure that quads don't go through the marsh and tear up the ground.
 - Councillor Glavin mentioned that Council has had residents requesting Council to review the current OHV Bylaw and until people can start respecting the signage and barricades, it makes it hard to want to open up the OHV Bylaw for review.
 - It was great to see all of the Community groups that took the time to go out and volunteer their time to better our back country. Each group had their own projects, some of which were weed pulling, garbage collection, trail maintenance, fixing the bridges and the Provincial Government should be proud of our little community and the pride we take in where we live.
- Councillor Girhiny attended the PPK Ski Society meeting and said that they are doing a great job and utilizing new equipment for the Ski School and are working hard with Kids Sport to make Skiing an option for any child.
- Attended the Senior Luncheon, what a great turnout!
- Councillor Girhiny also worked the Community BBQ on June 5th.
 - Great turn out and a lovely night!
- Councillor Sygutek attended the Seniors Luncheon and gave huge KUDOS to the entire Municipality for putting on such a great event for our seniors.
 - It was great to see the whole Administration team there putting on such a great event for our seniors.
 - It's great to see that the Seniors have somewhere to go and the excitement they all showed about the opportunity to win the beautiful center pieces.
- Councillor Sygutek expressed how beautiful main street Bellevue looks and how the flowers really pull it all together. The main street is so beautiful it truly does put a smile on your face!
- Explained that she has been receiving calls from residents wondering why the Municipality is not in a fire ban. Councillor Sygutek reached out to Jesse Fox, Fire Chief and Manager of Protective Services, for clarification.

- There will be a write up in next week's Pass Herald explaining the reasons for the Municipality being on fire advisory instead of a ban.
- The fire ban of the Forest Protection Area is not directly about the conditions in our area but the combination of the resources of G7, as well the resources to the North and a lack of resources for the South but not the conditions of the South.
 - It's a Fire Advisory for the Municipality as it's been a few days of hot weather but it's not due to forest conditions.
- Attended Chinook Regional Hospital in Lethbridge on behalf of Mayor Painter to celebrate the huge donation that the hospital received for the Cardiac Unit. Lethbridge will now have a world class Cardiac Unit, which is very exciting!
 - 10 critical beds, 20-30 patient beds for people who have heart conditions.
 - Lethbridge Hospital was thrilled that the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass came to show their support.
 - Councillor Sygutek is going to try and get ahold of every Mayor in Southern Alberta and set up a time to meet all together and gather data on how many residents of our communities work at Elk Valley Resources and how many people are affected by heart issues and advocate to Elk Valley Resources for some funding to help the Cardiac Unit in Lethbridge which will benefit all of Southern Alberta.
- Councillor Sygutek is looking forward to speaking at the Crowsnest Consolidated High School Graduation coming up in the next few weeks.
- Councillor Ward spoke on the housing crisis and affordability.
- Attended the Seniors Luncheon and spoke on how wonderful it was to see so many seniors out enjoying the afternoon.
- Worked at the Community BBQ.
 - Spoke on all the positive feedback he heard from residents and really enjoyed seeing everyone out enjoying the festivities.
- Gave a KUDOS out to the Municipal employees that were out planting flowers in the community. Great job!
 - Councillor Ward really enjoys that the Municipality takes time to plant flowers throughout our Municipality to brighten up the streets, it's a beautiful touch to our streets!
- Downtown Bellevue is complete and looks beautiful!
- Attended the Seniors BBQ, the Seniors up at Peaks to Pines had a great time!
- Southern Alberts is getting busy!
 - ORRSC is very busy!
 - Subdivision numbers are up, and development numbers are both up.

- ORRSC, CAO, is retiring at the end of the year and they are actively looking for a CAO.
- Attended the Crowsnest Pass Senior Housing Meeting on June 9th.
- Looking forward to parade season!
 - Coal Miner Days Parade this upcoming weekend in Sparwood, June 14th.
 - Great opportunity to represent the Municipality and Councillor Ward is looking forward to it!
- Councillor Filipuzzi attended the Community BBQ on June 5th.
- Attended the Seniors BBQ at Peaks to Pines.
- Expressed his gratitude to Administration.
 - Very grateful for all of the support that Council gets from Administration to put on the Seniors BBQ, the Community BBQ and extended his thank you to all employees that took part in making that happen.

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Cody Pirozzi – Concerned resident

Bill Curtis – Concerned resident

Wanda Curtis – Concerned resident

COUNCILLOR INQUIRIES AND NOTICE OF MOTION

10.a Request for a Letter of Support for Lethbridge Sport Council – Councillor Sygutek

Given the magnitude for what it takes for a Winter Game Application, Lethbridge City Council send out notification that they are looking at a 2030 bid now instead of 2028. This Letter of Support is no longer something for Council to consider at this time.

10. b Coal Meeting in Fort Macleod on June 11, 2025 - Councillor Sygutek

10-2025-06-10: Councillor Sygutek moved that available Council members attend the Coal Meeting in Fort Macleod on June 11th at 5-7pm, if they are available to attend.
Carried

IN CAMERA

11-2025-06-10: Councillor Ward moved that Council go In Camera for the purpose of discussion of the following confidential matters under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and to take a short recess at 8:36 pm:

- a. Economic Interests of the Public Body – Board Member Applications - FOIP Act Section 25
- b. Economic Interests of the Public Body – Letter Received for Mayor and Council - FOIP Act Section 17
- c. Economic Interests of the Public Body – Letter Received for Mayor and Council - FOIP Act Section 17
- d. Economic Interests of the Public Body – Personal - FOIP Act Section 17

Carried

Reconvene

Deputy Mayor Filipuzzi convened the In Camera meeting at 9:14 pm. Patrick Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer in attendance to provide advice to Council.

12-2025-06-10: Councillor Girhiny moved that Council come out of In Camera at 9:14 pm.
Carried

13-2025-06-10: Councillor Glavin moved that Council appoint Leslie Jerry to the Family and Community Support Services Advisory Committee for the remainder of the term.
Carried

14-2025-06-10: Councillor Glavin moved that Council accept the Letter Received for Mayor and Council, as Information and to send a response.
Carried

15-2025-06-10: Councillor Sygutek moved that Council accept the Letter Received for Mayor and Council, as Information and to send a response.
Carried

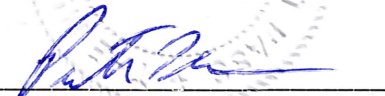
ADJOURNMENT

17-2025-06-10: Councillor Sygutek moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 pm.

Carried

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Dave Filipuzzi
Deputy Mayor

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Patrick Thomas
Chief Administrative Officer