

MINUTES

Of the Finance & Economic Development Committee meeting held
Tuesday, February 25th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., at the MD Office, with the
following persons present:

Members: Paul Clark, Chair
Erik Butters
Lisa Rosvold
Paul Ryan

Administration: Robert Ellis, C.A.O.
Shaina Tutt, Director of Finance
Lynda Gale, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Dene Cooper
Jared Kassel, Director of Planning Services

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

A. AGENDA

Moved by L. Rosvold that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

B. MINUTES

Moved by P. Ryan that the January 28, 2020 Finance and Economic Development Committee (F&EDC) meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

C. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Moved by P. Ryan that the F&EDC recommend Policy F-11 to Council, excluding point 4, "BOWDA lunches, unless they involve a presentation by a member of MD Council, should be included as part of the annual base remuneration."

DEFEATED

(Butters, Clark, Rosvold opposed)

Moved by L. Rosvold that the F&EDC recommend that Council consider Policy F-11, as presented.

CARRIED

(Ryan opposed)

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items to discuss.

E. DELEGATIONS

AltaLink – John Groves & Steven Day (arr. 10:00 a.m. – dep. 11:30 a.m.)

J. Groves gave a presentation to the F&EDC entitled: AltaLink Update, Municipal District of Bighorn.

J. Groves said AltaLink would be clearing their rights-of-way for wildfire mitigation. He said AltaLink will also be upgrading the lines and poles that run through the Bow Corridor from south Calgary to Lake Louise. AltaLink will contact any landowners who have property adjacent to their rights-of-way and who may be affected by this work.

L. Rosvold asked if there would be power outages during the work. J. Groves said there would not be any impacts to residents.

L. Rosvold asked if surges could happen during the work. J. Groves said there is always that possibility, especially on the line from Canmore to Lake Louise.

F. FINANCE

1. **Moved** by P. Ryan that the F&EDC accept as information:
 1. The Payroll Cheques Issued Report for January 2020 in the amount of \$115,512.64.
 2. The Cheques Register for January 2020 in the amount of \$437,050.61.

CARRIED

G. INFORMATION

1. The Community Services Co-Ordinator gave a presentation on the Bow Valley Food Alliance – Draft Area Food Charter to the F&EDC. The presentation forms part of these minutes and is attached as Schedule ‘A’.

H. CLOSED MEETING

There were no items to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT – NEXT MEETING DATE

The meeting be adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Next meeting: **Tuesday, March 24, 2020, 9:00 a.m.**

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY

Bow Valley Food Alliance Food Charter

What is a Food Charter?

- An aspirational document that outlines a community's values and principles on what the local food system should look like
- It provides a food security lens when addressing local community issues
- It is a non binding document

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Who created this Food Charter?

- This charter was created by community input from residents of Lake Louise, Banff, Canmore, the MD of Bighorn, and the Stoney Nakoda Nations.
- Over an 18 month process of community consultations by way of food charter events, workshops, and conversation kits, all stakeholders in the food system from food producers, cultural groups, non profits, business owners, health agencies and concerned individuals were engaged in the process.

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What is the purpose of a Food Charter?

- It can be used as a framework in decision making and creating the groundwork for longer term strategic systems change planning.
- As an aspirational document it can be thought provoking and inspire creative thinking around problem solving.
- A credible source that can be used by stakeholders for lobbying and grant writing

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Purpose continued...

- A regional food charter such as this, provides a unique opportunity to unify the region, different cultures and people within the area from the Stoney Nakoda Nations in Morley to ranchers in the MD of Bighorn to new comers to Canada.
- A charter can strengthen and promote programs related to building healthy and resilient communities in addition to nurturing a model environmental community

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Food charters typically include themes of:

- Local food ● Access ● Health
- Economy ● Conservation ● Social justice
- Research ● Education ● Partnerships

Food charters are commonly found in mountain communities, where residents embrace living a healthy life that's connected to the land.

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Next Steps

- Information sharing conversations are currently ongoing with Councillors, Chiefs and decision makers across the Bow Valley.
- The Bow Valley Food Alliance is inviting feedback and the final document will be presented by formal delegation presentations to councils to ask municipalities and Nations to sign on and adopt the Food Charter (April – June).

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Next steps continued...

- The Bow Valley Food Alliance will invite all stakeholder groups and organizations to become signatories to the Food Charter.

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