



**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Banff in the Province of Alberta
Re: COVID-19 Pandemic Updates
Monday, 2021 May 03, at 1:00 p.m.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Karen Sorensen	Mayor	(Remote Participation)
Corrie DiManno	Councillor and Deputy Mayor	(Remote Participation)
Ted Christensen	Councillor and Acting Mayor	(Remote Participation)
Grant Canning	Councillor	(Remote Participation)
Chip Olver	Councillor	(Remote Participation)
Peter Poole	Councillor	(Remote Participation)
Brian Standish	Councillor	(Remote Participation)

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

None

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Kelly Gibson	Town Manager	(Remote Participation)
Silvio Adamo	Director, Emergency Management, Director, Protective Services, and Fire Chief	(Remote Participation)
Jason Darrah	Director, Communications & Marketing	(Remote Participation)
Darren Enns	Director, Planning & Development	(Remote Participation)
Adrian Field	Director, Engineering	(Remote Participation)
Chris Hughes	Director, Corporate Services	(Remote Participation)
Alison Gerrits	Director, Community Services, and Deputy Director Emergency Management	(Remote Participation)
Paul Godfrey	Director, Operations	(Remote Participation)
Barbara King	Director, Human Resources	(Remote Participation)
Randall McKay	Manager, Strategic Initiatives & Special Projects)	(Remote Participation)
Renée Lavergne	Information Governance Coordinator	(Remote Participation)
Lisa Lee	Executive Assistant, Mayor's Office	(Remote Participation)
Tara Johnston	Legislative Advisor	(Remote Participation)
Libbey McDougall	Municipal Clerk	(Remote Participation)



1.0 CALL TO ORDER

To confirm Members of Council, who all participated virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, as present, the following roll call was conducted:

ROLL CALL:

Present: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

Mayor Sorensen called the virtual Special Meeting of Council to order at 1:01 p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1 Agenda for the 2021 May 08 Virtual Special Meeting of Council Re: COVID-19 Pandemic Updates

COU21-154 **Moved by** Councillor DiManno

That the Agenda for the 2021 May 03 Virtual Special Meeting of Council, Re: COVID-19 Pandemic Updates, be approved.

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED

3.0 PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

3.1 Written Submissions

3.1.1 Ravi Pal: Email Re: Purpose: Suggestion/Concern Regarding COVID 19 Restrictions, Received 2021 May 01 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Ravi Pal's Email, Re: Suggestion/Concern Regarding COVID 19 Restrictions, received 2021 May 01, for the Corporate Record.



- 3.1.2 Christina Daoust: Email Re: C19 Meeting 05/03/21, Received 2021 May 01 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Christina Daoust's Email, Re: C19 Meeting 05/03/21, received 2021 May 01, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.3 Kaitlin Kealy: Email Re: Letter for Agenda: Covid 19 Vaccines for those 18/20+ in the Bow Valley, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Kaitlin Kealy's Email, Re: Letter for Agenda: Covid 19 Vaccines for those 18/20+ in the Bow Valley, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.4 Steve Lighten: Email Re: Banff COVID Response, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Steve Lighten's Email, Re: Banff COVID Response, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.5 Phillip & Dalyce Carmody: Email Re: Banff Covid – Special Meeting, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Phillip & Dalyce Carmody's Email Re: Banff Covid – Special Meeting, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.6 Laurie Hardingham: Email Re: Covid-19 in Banff, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Laurie Hardingham's Email Re: Covid-19 in Banff, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.7 Wade Holmes: Email Re: Agenda for Meeting on May 3rd, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Wade Holmes' Email, Re: Agenda for Meeting on May 3rd, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.



- 3.1.8 Yannis Karlos: Email Re: Covid-19 Pandemic Special Meeting – Downtown Banff Asymptomatic Screening Program. Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Yannis Karlos' Email, Re: Covid-19 Pandemic Special Meeting – Downtown Banff Asymptomatic Screening Program, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.9 Valerie Hendricks: Email Re: Submission for Town of Banff Meeting, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Valerie Hendricks' Email, Re: Submission for Town of Banff Meeting, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.10 Mary Buckingham: Email Re: Covid-19 Restrictions, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Mary Buckingham's Email, Re: Covid-19 Restrictions, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.11 Nancy Blaney: Email Re: Submission for Council Meeting May 3, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Nancy Blaney's Email, Re: Submission for Council Meeting May 3, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.12 Dave Honeyman: Email Re: Banff Monday Meeting May/ 2021, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Dave Honeyman's Email, Re: Banff Monday Meeting May/ 2021, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.13 Dr. Vamini Selvananandan, MD CCFP MPH: Email Re: Written Submission for May 3 Special meeting of Council, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Dr. Vamini Selvananandan's Email, Re: Written Submission for May 3 Special meeting of Council, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.



- 3.1.14 Adam Gardner and Irene Mentzelopoulos: Email: Re: Letter for Town Council Meeting on Monday May 3rd, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Adam Gardner and Irene Mentzelopoulos' Email, Re: Letter for Town Council Meeting on Monday May 3rd, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.15 Alison Harker: Letter, Received 2021 May 02 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Alison Harker's Letter, received 2021 May 02, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.16 Lyndsay Quinn, Moderator, Overheard in Banff: Email Re: Covid-19 May 3rd Meeting, Received 2021 May 03 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Lyndsay Quinn's Email, Re: Covid-19 May 3rd Meeting, received 2021 May 03, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.17 Stephanie Ferracuti: Email Re: Banff Covid-19 Update, Received 2021 May 03 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Stephanie Ferracuti's Email, Re: Banff Covid-19 Update, received 2021 May 03, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.18 Daryn McCutcheon, Owner, Banff Adventures Group: Email Re: Covid Crisis Meeting, Received 2021 May 03 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Daryn McCutcheon's Email, Re: Covid Crisis Meeting, received 2021 May 03, for the Corporate Record.

- 3.1.19 Hugh Pettigrew: Email Re: Special Meeting Council Covid, Received 2021 May 03 (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Hugh Pettigrew's Email, Re: Special Meeting Council Covid, received 2021 May 03, for the Corporate Record.



3.2 Verbal Submissions

3.2.1 Steve Michel (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Steve Michel's Verbal Submissions for the Corporate Record.

3.2.2 Yannis Karlos (Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03)

Council, by unanimous consent, received Yannis Karlos' Verbal Submissions for the Corporate Record.

4.0 **SPECIAL MEETING BUSINESS**

4.1 Verbal Briefing: COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03

Staff Sargent Mike Buxton-Carr addressed Council with respect to Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03

COU21-155 **Moved by** Mayor Sorensen

That Council recess at 3:01 p.m. to reconvene 3:11 p.m. in a closed meeting, to be conducted in a confidential Zoom Meeting environment, pursuant to Sections 24 (Advice from officials) and 27 (Privileged information) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to consider confidential matters with respect to the Item 4.1, 20COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03.

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED

Council reconvened in closed meeting at 3:13 p.m. with Mayor Sorensen in the Chair.

Mayor Sorensen left the chair at 4:11 p.m. and Deputy Mayor DiManno assumed the chair.



Mayor Sorensen resumed the chair at 4:13 p.m. and Councillor DiManno returned to her seat in Council.

Council recessed in closed meeting at 4:19 p.m.

Council reconvened in public meeting at 4:20 p.m. with Mayor Sorensen in the chair.

COU21-156 **Moved by** Mayor Sorensen

That Council rise and report.

For: (6): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, and Councillor Poole

MOTION CARRIED

Individuals in attendance during the closed meeting discussions with respect to Item .1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03:

Clerk: L. McDougall

Advice: K. Gibson, S. Adamo, J. Darrah, A. Gerrits

COU21-157 **Moved by** Mayor Sorensen

That Council recess at 4:21 p.m. on Monday, 2021 May 03, to reconvene at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 2021 May 04.

For: (6): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, and Councillor Poole

MOTION CARRIED



To confirm Members of Council, who all participated virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, as present, the following roll call was conducted:

ROLL CALL:

Present: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

Council reconvened at 1:31 p.m. on Tuesday, 2021 May 04, with Mayor Sorensen in the Chair.

COU21-158 Moved by Mayor Sorensen

That Council recess at 1:32 p.m. on Tuesday, 2021 Mayo 04, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 2021 May 04.

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED

To confirm Members of Council, who all participated virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, as present, the following roll call was conducted:

ROLL CALL:

Present: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

Council reconvened at 7:02 p.m. on Tuesday, 2021 May 04, with Mayor Sorensen in the Chair.

COU21-159 Moved by Mayor Sorensen

That Council recess at 7:02 p.m., to the call of the chair, to reconvene in a closed meeting, to be conducted in a confidential Zoom Meeting environment, pursuant to Sections 24 (Advice from officials) and 27 (Privileged information) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to consider confidential matters with respect to the Item 4.1, 20COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03.

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED



Council reconvened in closed meeting at 7:03 p.m. with Mayor Sorensen in the Chair.

Council recessed in closed meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Council reconvened in public meeting at 8:52 p.m. with Mayor Sorensen in the chair.

COU21-160 **Moved by** Mayor Sorensen

That Council rise without reporting.

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED

Individuals in attendance during the closed meeting discussions with respect to Item .1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03:

Clerk: L. McDougall

Advice: K. Gibson, S. Adamo, J. Darrah, A. Gerrits



COU21-161 **Moved by** Councillor Poole

That with respect to Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03, the following be adopted, **after amendment:**

That Council direct Administration to reinforce the Provincial Government's request by actively discouraging visitors from coming to Banff, while also asking residents to stay home, except for essential travel, until after the 2021 May long weekend by:

- a) **Cooperating with Parks Canada and Banff Lake Louise Tourism in any potential joint communication efforts;**
- b) **Increasing communications to residents, including those living in congregate living settings, of the Provincial health measures, penalties for violations, including information relating to vaccines and their effectiveness, so as to further encourage individuals to restrain from gatherings; and**
- c) **Returning to the 2021 May 25 Virtual Regular Meeting of Council with an update on these activities.**

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED

COU21-162 **Moved by** Mayor Sorensen

That with respect to Item 4.1, COVID-19 Pandemic Updates as of 2021 May 03, the following be adopted, **after amendment:**

That Council direct that the closed meeting discussions remain confidential pursuant to Section 24 (Advice from officials) and 27 (Privileged information) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED



5.0 ADJOURNMENT

COU21-163 **Moved by** Councillor Standish

That this Council adjourn at 9:38 p.m. on Tuesday, 2021 May 04.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

For: (7): Mayor Sorensen, Councillor Canning, Councillor Christensen, Councillor DiManno, Councillor Olver, Councillor Poole, and Councillor Standish

MOTION CARRIED

On Original

Karen Sorensen
Mayor

On Original

Libbey McDougall
Municipal Clerk