



**SMOKY LAKE COUNTY AND TOWN OF SMOKY LAKE
JOINT COUNCIL MEETING**



Minutes of the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council Meeting held on Wednesday, **September 16, 2020** at 5:06 p.m. in the National Hall, Smoky Lake to accommodate COVID-19 Social Distancing protocol.

The meeting was called to Order by the Smoky Lake County Reeve Craig Lukinuk in the presence of the following persons:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Name</u>	ATTENDANCE
		<u>Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020</u>
1	Dan Gawalko	Present
2	Johnny Cherniwchan	Present
3	Craig Lukinuk	Present
4	Lorne Halisky	Present
5	Randy Orichowski	Present
Interim C.A.O.	Lydia Cielin	Present
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Present
Recording Secretary	Patti Priest	Present
P&D Manager	Jordan Ruegg	Present
P&D Assist. Manager	Kyle Schole	Present
CEDO	Michelle Wright	Present
Town of Smoky Lake	Hank Holowaychuk – Mayor	Present @ 5:08 p.m.
Town of Smoky Lake	Melody Morton – Councillor	Present
Town of Smoky Lake	Dan Kotylak – Councillor	Present
Town of Smoky Lake	Ross Whitelaw – Deputy Mayor	Present
Town of Smoky Lake	Terry Makowichuk – Councillor	Absent
Town of Smoky Lake	Adam Kozakiewicz - C.A.O.	Present
Town of Smoky Lake	Crystal Letwin – Fin.Leg.Srv.	Present

2. AGENDA:

Agenda - September 16, 2020

J213-20: Halisky

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council Meeting Agenda for Wednesday, September 16, 2020 be adopted, as presented.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Kotylak.

Carried Unanimously.

Reschedule Meeting

J214-20: Cherniwchan

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, August 31, 2020 at 1:00 p.m., be rescheduled to Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. to be held in the National Hall Smoky Lake.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Morton.

Carried Unanimously.

3. MINUTES:

Minutes - July 22, 2020

J215-20: Orichowski

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council Meeting Minutes of **July 22, 2020** be adopted, as presented.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Kotylak.

Carried.

Hank Holowaychuk, Town of Smoky Lake Mayor, joined the meeting, time 5:08 p.m.

Meeting Notes Victoria District Economic Development Strategy Implementation Working Group

J216-20: Halisky

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council acknowledge receipt of the "Meeting Notes" from the Victoria District Economic Development Strategy Implementation Working Group Meetings which were held on July 30, 2020, August 13, 2020 and August 28, 2020, and accepted the said "Meeting Notes" for information.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Whitelaw.

Carried.

4. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION:

Vision XS – Tony Sefton

J217-20: Halisky

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Councils recommend the Victoria District Economic Development Strategy Implementation Working Group formalize the scope of work beyond the work already done by Tony Sefton, CEO of Vision XS Ltd. of gathering research, statistics, and background information/data in conjunction with the Town, County, and other Community Stakeholders resulting in a model forming the foundation of the Victoria District Economic Development Strategy, for the purpose of the said Strategy's implementation, by drafting a Memorandum of Understanding agreement to be executed by Mr. Sefton who was originally engaged by the County for project assistance towards the development of the said Strategy on December 12, 2019, as Mr. Sefton was already engaged by Métis Crossing and the Métis Nation of Alberta and therefore engaging Mr. Sefton was an opportunity to take advantage of the synergies associated with the Métis Crossing development, and the cost savings of work already completed within the district.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Holowaychuk.

Carried.

Budget to Actual Financial Report Victoria District Economic Development Strategy

J218-20: Orichowski That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Councils acknowledge receipt of the Victoria District Economic Development Strategy Budget to Actual Financial Report dated September 14, 2020 as follows:

	Budget	Actual Costs To Date
Advertising		\$ 729.56
Printing/Binding		\$ -
Consulting		\$ 5,000.00
Legal		\$ 32,705.65
	<u>\$ 247,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 38,435.21</u>

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Morton.

Carried.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

Travel Alberta – Letter of Support

J219-20: Cherniwchan That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Councils acknowledge receipt of the letter received from Tanya Fir, Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Tourism, dated August 6, 2020, in regard to a congratulatory message on developing the Victoria District Economic Development Strategy.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Whitelaw.

Carried.

Action List – July 22, 2020

J220-20: Gawalko That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council Meeting Action List from **July 22, 2020** be accepted for information.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Holowaychuk.

Carried.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Victoria District Economic Development Strategy Financing

J221-20: Gawalko That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Councils go into Executive Session to discuss a Legal Issue in respect to the Victoria District Economic Development Strategy Financing, under the Authority of the FOIP Act, Section 27: Privileged Information, time 5:53 p.m..

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Kotylak.

Carried.

J222-20: Halisky

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Councils go out of Executive Session, time 7:06 p.m..

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Kotylak

Carried.

Victoria District Economic Development Strategy Financing

J223-20: Halisky

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Councils agree in principal for each respective municipality to invest Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000.00), for a combined total of One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000.00), as majority shareholders of a municipally owned Joint Venture Tourism Corporation.

Town of Smoky Lake: motion moved by Morton

Carried.

Next Meeting

The next **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council Meeting will be scheduled at the call of the Reeve or Mayor.

Adjournment

J224-20: Lukinuk

That the **Smoky Lake County** and **Town of Smoky Lake** Joint Council Meeting of September 16, 2020 adjourn, time 7:08 p.m.