

Town of Faro Regular Meeting Minutes April 1, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers

PRESENT:

Mayor Councillors Jack Bowers Gary Jones

Michelle Vainio
Wendy Michell-Larocque

Neil Yee

Chief Adm Officer

GM, Finance Ops Manager

Mgr Rec & Culture Executive Assistant

Larry Baran Lenka Kazda

Paul Medvid Tina Freake Tracy Sawicki

Public Present: 4

Public on Zoom: 3

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bowers called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 25-108

Michell-Laroque/Yee

THAT the agenda for the April 1, 2025, Meeting of Council be adopted with the following additions:

11.3 RPAY Proposal

11.4 Draft Letter to RRDC

Carried

3. DELEGATION

Nothing Presented

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATION

Nothing Presented.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution 25-109

Jones/Vainio

THAT The minutes of the March 18, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

Carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nothing Presented.

7. FINANCIAL

Resolution 25-110

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council receive for information the Finance Officer's report, including the Payment Register Summary and acknowledge the Cheque Register for the period March 13–26, 2025.

Carried

8. REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Bowers summarized his written Report.

Council Reports

Councillor Jones had nothing to report.

Councillor Vainio reviewed the recent ARAS dinner & public meeting, and the Emergency tabletop exercise.

Councillor Michell-Laroque said that she felt better prepared as a result of the tabletop exercise, and extended a Thanks to Paul Medvid who stepped in to provide some assistance.

Councillor Yee discussed the emergency tabletop exercise, updates to the Emergency Plan, the presentation at the ARAS meeting, more information in the newsletter, and attending community events.

Administration's Reports

Chief Administrative Officer

CAO Baran summarized his written Report and responded to questions by Council.

Operations Manager

Manager Medvid summarized his written Report and responded to questions by Council.

General Manager of Recreation and Culture

Manager Freake summarized her written Report and responded to questions by Council.

9. BYLAWS

9.1 Bylaw 2025-01 - Water & Sewer Bylaw

THAT Council provide Third and Final Reading of Bylaw 2025-01, Water & Sewer Bylaw.

Councillor Jones Reads the Bylaw.

Council provided some minor changes to the bylaw, which were agreed upon.

Resolution 25-112

Resolution 25-111

Jones/Yee

Yee/Jones

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for questions regarding Bylaw #2025-01.

Questions from the Gallery? No questions

Questions from Zoom? No questions

Resolution 25-113

Michell-Laroque/Yee

THAT Council do now revert to Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Vote called on Bylaw Resolution 25-111.

Carried

Mayor Bowers declares Bylaw #2025-01 having been read a Third and Final time this 1st day of April, 2025.

9.2 Bylaw 2025-02 - 2025 Property Tax Bylaw

Resolution 25-114

Vainio/Michell-Laroque

THAT Council provide Third and Final Reading of Bylaw 2025-02, 2025 Property Tax Bylaw.

Councillor Jones Reads the Bylaw.

Council had no discussion.

Resolution 25-115

Jones/Michell-Laroque

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for questions regarding Bylaw #2025-02. Carried

Questions from the Gallery? No questions Questions from Zoom? No questions

Resolution 25-116

Michell-Laroque/Yee

THAT Council do now revert to Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Vote called on Bylaw Resolution 25-114.

Carried

Mayor Bowers declares Bylaw #2025-02 having been read a Third and Final time this 1st day of April, 2025.

9.3 Bylaw 2025-03 - 2025 Annual Operating Budget Bylaw

Resolution 25-117

Vainio/Michell-Laroque

THAT Council provide Third and Final Reading of Bylaw 2025-03, 2025 Annual Operating Budget Bylaw.

Councillor Yee Reads the Bylaw.

Council had no discussion.

Resolution 25-118

Michell-Laroque/Yee

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for questions regarding Bylaw #2025-03. Carried

Questions from the Gallery? No questions Questions from Zoom? No questions

Resolution 25-119

Vainio/Jones

THAT Council do now revert to Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Vote called on Bylaw Resolution 25-117.

Carried

Mayor Bowers declares Bylaw #2025-03 having been read a Third and Final time this 1st day of April, 2025.

9.4 Bylaw 2025-04 - 2025 Capital Budget Bylaw

Resolution 25-120

Jones/Michell-Laroque

THAT Council provide Third and Final Reading of Bylaw 2025-04 - Capital Budget Bylaw.

Councillor Vainio Reads the Bylaw.

Council had no discussion.

Resolution 25-121 Vainio/Jones

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for questions regarding Bylaw #2025-04.

Questions from the Gallery? Question about the Animal Shelter Questions from Zoom? No questions

Resolution 25-#122

Michell-Laroque/Vainio

THAT Council do now revert to Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Vote called on Bylaw Resolution 25-120.

Carried

Mayor Bowers declares Bylaw #2025-04 having been read a Third and Final time this 1st day of April, 2025.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing Presented.

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 New Zoning Bylaw - Status Report

Graham White, of Elevator Yukon, provided a virtual status report to Council via ZOOM. Council requested some additional information to be forwarded for a subsequent Council Meeting. No resolution was requested of Council.

11.2 Fees & Charges Bylaw 2023-04 - Schedule "A" Amendments

Resolution 25-123

Jones/Michell-Laroque

THAT Council approve change of "Schedule A" of Fees & Charges Bylaw as reviewed and discussed at the April 1, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

11.3 Recreation & Parks Association of the Yukon (RPAY) Proposal for the Town of Faro

Resolution 25-124

Jones/Yee

THAT Council support hosting the RPAY - 2025 Yukon Recreation Gathering in the Town of Faro in 2025.

11.4 Council to DRAFT Letter to RRDC to congratulate their newly-elected Council

Resolution 25-125

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council resolve to send a letter of congratulations to the elected Council of Ross River Dena Council.

12. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION (OUT & IN)

Nothing Presented.

13. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Resolution 25-126

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for public questions.

Carried

Council responded to questions from the gallery.

Resolution 25-127

Vainio/Michell-Laroque

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

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14. IN CAMERA

Resolution 25-128

Jones/Michell-Laroque

THAT Council do now recess and reconvene in-camera.

Carried

In camera discussion

Resolution 25-129

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Resolution 25-130

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council inform CDF that Faro is unable to proceed with the Recreation Centre - Kitchen Renovation Grant at this time.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 25-131

Vainio/Michell-Laroque

THAT the April 1, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 9:55pm.

Carried

Approved at the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 15, 2025 by Resolution # 25-137

lack Bowers, Mayor

Larry Baran, CAC