

**Agenda for the
Regular Meeting of the Vauxhall of Town Council
November 20, 2023
6:00 p.m. – Vauxhall Council Chambers**

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
1. Call to Order	
2. Adoption of Agenda	For Adoption
3. Delegations	Receive <u>all</u> for Information
a.) R.C.M.P.	
b.) Benchmark Assessment Consultants – Ryan Vogt	
4. Minutes	
Council Minutes	
a.) Regular Meeting of Council November 6, 2023	For Adoption
b.) Special Meeting of Council November 14, 2023	For Adoption
c.) Special Meeting of Council November 15, 2023	For Adoption
External Minutes	Receive <u>all</u> for Information
d.) Municipal Planning Commission meeting of November 14, 2023	
e.) Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS meeting of October 4, 2023	
f.) ORRSC Executive Committee meeting of October 12, 2023	
g.) ORRSC Executive Committee Special meeting of November 2, 2023	
h.) Vauxhall & District Chamber of commerce meeting of October 19, 2023	
5. Financials	
a.) Cheque Listing for the month of October 31, 2023	Receive <u>all</u> for Information
b.) AMSC Mastercard as of November 7, 2023	
6. New Business	
a.) Memorandum of Understanding	Resolution
b.) Council Remuneration Policy	
c.) Health Minister letter - EMS	
7. Information and Correspondence	Receive <u>all</u> for Information
a.) Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce general meeting	
b.) Alberta Economy – Indicators at a glance	
8. Adjournment	

Taber RCMP



MD OF TABER

MONTHLY REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2023

**JURISDICTIONS OF TABER VAUXHALL RCMP-GRC
TABER MD, BARNWELL, VAUXHALL**

MD OF TABER - SEPTEMBER 2023

RCMP CALLS FOR SERVICE

MD of Taber	144
Barnwell	5
Vauxhall	12

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE 161

Impaired Driving, 24 & 30 DAY SUSPENSIONS, IMMEDIATE ROADSIDE SUSPENSIONS

MD of Taber	0
Barnwell	0
Vauxhall	0

TOTAL IMPAIRED/SUSPENSIONS 0

CRIMINAL CODE VIOLATIONS (reported/cleared, insufficient or unfounded)

MD of Taber	1
Barnwell	0
Vauxhall	0

TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE VIOLATIONS 1

NON-CRIMINAL

911 Hangups in MD of Taber	0
Barnwell	33
Vauxhall	1

TOTAL 911 HANG UPS 34

Criminal Record Checks for Detachment Area 54

General Public Fingerprints for Detachment Area 7

MD OF TABER PATROLS	
Barnwell	31
Vauxhall	37
HAMLETS	#
Enchant	11
Grassy Lake	28
Hays	11
TOTAL HAMLET PATROLS	50
PARKS /CAMPGROUNDS	
MD Park	3
Forks	0
Enchant	6
Chin	0
Hays	0
Grassy Lake	0
TOTAL PARK / CAMPGROUND PATROLS	9
TOTAL PATROLS in MD of Taber	127
VIOLATION TICKETS	
MD of Taber	7
Barnwell	0
Vauxhall	0
VIOLATION TICKETS WRITTEN BY TABER RCMP	15
ITU (Lethbridge/Redcliff) VIOLATION TICKETS	2
TOTAL VIOLATION TICKETS	17

Detachment Commander's Comments

- The Detachment laid charges in 4 criminal investigations during the month of September.
- The Detachment responded to 1 complaint of Family Violence in the month of September. Charges were laid where evidence existed that an offence had been committed, and all available supports were provided to the Victims.
- This last month the Detachment worked with the schools to ensure that all the schools in the Detachment had a current SAFE plan for the upcoming school year

A regular meeting of Council of the Town of Vauxhall, was held in
Council Chambers
on Monday, November 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

MAYOR: Kimberley Cawley

DEPUTY MAYOR: Marilyn Forchuk

COUNCILLORS: Raymond Coad
Shelley Deleeuw
Kimberly Dorin
Henry Zacharias

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer: Cris Burns
Asst. CAO/Office Manager: Mindy Dunphy
CFO: Clark Holt

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Coad called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda
RES: 23:201

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Forchuk to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED

Minutes
RES: 23:202

MOVED by Councillor Coad to adopt the following minutes as presented.

- Regular meeting of Council October 23, 2023

CARRIED

Minutes
RES: 23:203

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw to accept the following minutes as information

- Municipal Planning Commission meeting of October 10, 2023
- Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS meeting of September 6, 2023

CARRIED

Financial Information
RES: 23:204

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Forchuk to accept the following as information:

- October 30, 2023 Year to Date Operating Budget to Actual
- Draft 2024 - 2026 Interim Operating Budget
- Draft 2024 - 2028 Capital Budget

CARRIED

Vauxhall Public Library

RES: 23:205

MOVED by Councillor Coad to move the discussion of Vauxhall Public Library request for funding to budget deliberations for 2024.

CARRIED

Appointment to
Boards/Committees
& Commissions

RES: 23:206

MOVED by Councillor Dorin to accept all appointments of Council members to committees and boards until the By-Election.

CARRIED

By-Election

RES: 23:207

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw that the Town of Vauxhall Municipal By-Election be held on Monday, February 12, 2024, the polls open at 10:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. located in the Vauxhall Administrative Office 223 5th Street N.

CARRIED

Substitute Returning
Officer

RES: 23:208

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Forchuk to appoint Melinda Dunphy as the substitute returning officer for the Town of Vauxhall Municipal By-election to be held Monday February 12, 2024.

CARRIED

Reports

RES: 23:209

MOVED by Councillor Coad to accept the following as information

- Council Activity Report – October 2023
- Action List – October 2023
- Action List in Progress

CARRIED

Information and Correspondence

RES: 23:210

MOVED by Councillor Zacharias to accept the following as information:

- FCSS Report to Municipalities
- Municipal District of Taber council appointments
- Vx Ag Society and Dist. Chamber of Commerce Awards Night
- Municipal District of Taber Commercial Lots

CARRIED

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

A special meeting of Council of the Town of Vauxhall, was held in
Council Chambers
on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

MAYOR: Kimberley Cawley

DEPUTY MAYOR: Marilyn Forchuk

COUNCILLORS: Raymond Coad
Shelley Deleeuw
Kimberly Dorin
Henry Zacharias

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer: Cris Burns
Asst. CAO/Office Manager: Mindy Dunphy
CFO: Clark Holt

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Coad called the meeting to order at 5:21 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda
RES: 23:211

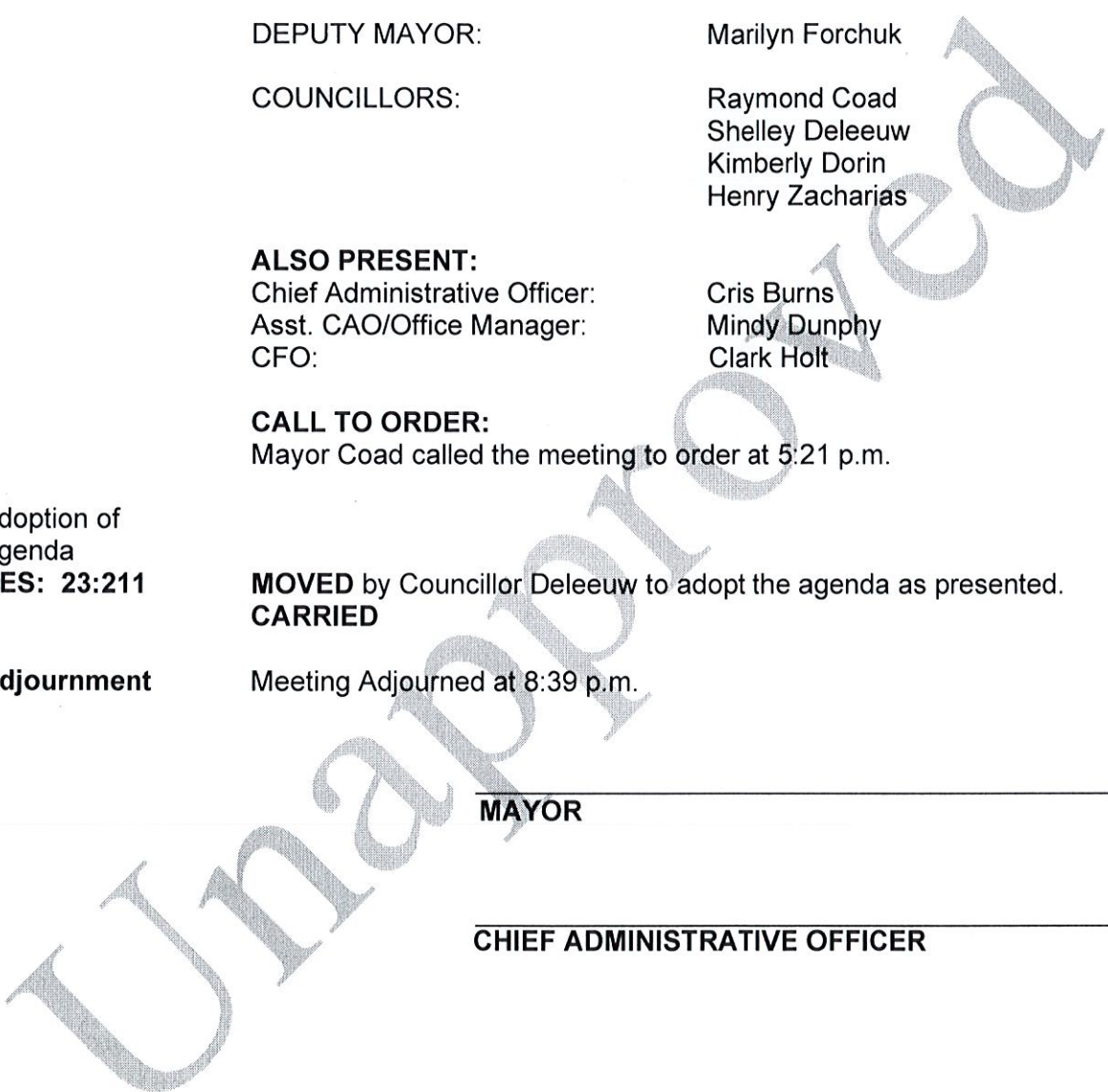
MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



4c.

A special meeting of Council of the Town of Vauxhall, was held in
Council Chambers
on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

MAYOR: Kimberley Cawley

DEPUTY MAYOR: Marilyn Forchuk

COUNCILLORS: Raymond Coad
Shelley Deleeuw
Kimberly Dorin
Henry Zacharias

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer: Cris Burns
Asst. CAO/Office Manager: Mindy Dunphy
CFO: Clark Holt
Administrative Assistant: Tanya Strydom

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Coad called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda

RES: 23:212

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

4d.

**MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

A Municipal Planning Commission meeting of the Town of Vauxhall
was held in council chambers Tuesday November 14, 2023
@ 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIR: Henry Zacharias

VICE CHAIR: Ray Coad

DEPUTY MAYOR: Marilyn Forchuk

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER: Cris Burns

ORRSC STAFF: Bonnie Brunner

ALSO PRESENT: Mindy Dunphy

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Forchuk called the meeting to order at 5:01p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

RES: MPC23.43 MOVED by Vice Chair Coad to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

Adoption of
Minutes

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

RES: MPC23.44 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Forchuk to adopt the Municipal Planning
Commission meeting minutes of October 23, 2023.

CARRIED

SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

2023-0-021 VHL Construction Ltd

(Lot 22, Block 31, Plan 1410820 with NE1/4 10-13-16-W4M)

Use: Residential

Land Use District: Residential – R district

RES: MPC23.45 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Forchuk to approve the 2023-0-021 Subdivision application with the following conditions, reasons and informative:

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to the Town of Vauxhall.
2. That the foundations of the semi-detached dwellings are completed prior to endorsement of the subdivision application and identified on a surveyor's sketch confirming the location of the foundations and setbacks to property lines.
3. That the applicant submits party wall agreements for the semi-detached dwellings to be registered with the final plan of subdivision.

REASONS:

1. The proposed subdivision is consistent with the South Saskatchewan Regional Plan.
2. The Subdivision Authority is satisfied that the proposed subdivision is suitable for the purpose for which the subdivision is intended pursuant to Section 9 of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation.
3. With the variances granted, the proposed subdivision complies with the Land Use Bylaw.
4. The Subdivision Authority granted variances to the minimum lot width and lot area requirements for semi-detached dwellings prescribed in the Residential – R land use district.
5. AB Transportation has authorized the Subdivision Authority to vary the requirements of Sections 18 and 19 of the Matters Relating to Subdivision and Development Regulation to accommodate the proposal.

INFORMATIVE:

- (a) Since the proposed subdivision complies with Section 663(d) of the Municipal Government Act, Reserve is not required.
- (b) That a legal description for the proposed parcel be approved by the Surveys Branch, Land Titles Office, Calgary.
- (c) The applicant/owner is advised that other municipal, provincial or federal government or agency approvals may be required as they relate to the subdivision and the applicant/owner

is responsible for verifying and obtaining any other approval, permit, authorization, consent or license that may be required to subdivide, develop and/or service the affected land (this may include but is not limited to Alberta Environment and Protected Areas, Alberta Transportation, and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.)

- (d) The Subdivision Authority waived the minimum lot width and lot area requirements for semi-detached dwellings prescribed within the Residential – R land use district in accordance with Section 654(2) of the Municipal Government Act to accommodate the proposal.
- (e) Telus Communications Inc has no objection.
- (f) Thank you for contacting FortisAlberta regarding the above application for subdivision. We have reviewed the plan and determined that no easement is required by FortisAlberta.

FortisAlberta is the Distribution Wire Service Provider for this area. The developer can arrange installation of electrical services for this subdivision through FortisAlberta. Please have the developer contact 310-WIRE (310-9473) to make application for electrical services.

Please contact FortisAlberta land services at landserv@fortisalberta.com or by calling (403) 514-4783 for any questions.

- (g) In reference to the above request, please be advised of ATCO Gas' response and notify the landowner of the following:
 - ATCO Gas has no objection
 - ATCO Gas has no need for a Utility Right of Way currently

ATCO Gas would also like to make the MD/County and Landowner/Developer aware of the following:

- If conducting any ground disturbance on the subject property, the landowner/developer must ensure the location of all utilities by contacting Utility Safety Partners at 1-800-242-3447 or <https://utilitysafety.ca/>
- For any ground disturbance within 30m of an existing gas line please contact Crossings@atcogas.com to obtain permission (submit locate slip as back up)
- ATCO Gas requires a minimum of 6 months' notice to design and construct a new gas line, or alter an existing gas line. New Service installations, pipeline alterations, and Main extensions will be performed at the landowner/developers expense.
- If the landowner requires a single gas service please visit <https://gas.atco.com/en-ca/products-services-rates/new-services-changes/new-natural-gas-line.html>

Any further questions please email southlandadmin@atco.com.

- (h) ATCO Transmission high pressure pipelines has no objections. Questions or concerns related to ATCO high pressure pipelines can be forwarded to hp.circulations@atco.com.
- (i) Alberta Health Services has no concerns.

(j) Alberta Transportation – Leah Olsen, Development/Planning Technologist:

“This will acknowledge receipt of your circulation regarding the above noted proposal. The subdivision application would be subject to the requirements of Sections 18 and 19 of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation (The Regulation), due to the proximity of Highway(s) 36, 524

Transportation and Economic Corridors offers the following comments with respect to this application:

The requirements of Section 18 of the Regulation are not met. The department anticipates minimal impact on the highway from this proposal. Pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors grants approval for the subdivision authority to vary the requirements of Section 18 of the Regulation.

The requirements of Section 19 of the Regulation are not met. There is no direct access to the highway and there is sufficient local road access to the subdivision and adjacent lands. Pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors grants approval for the subdivision authority to vary the requirements of Section 19 of the Regulation.

Further, should the approval authority receive any appeals in regard to this application and as per Section 678(2.1) of the Municipal Government Act and Section 7(6)(d) of the regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors agrees to waive the referral distance for this particular subdivision application. As far as Transportation and Economic Corridors is concerned, an appeal of this subdivision application may be heard by the local Subdivision and Development Appeal Board provided that no other provincial agency is involved in the application

Transportation and Economic Corridors has the following additional comments and/or requirements with respect to this proposal:

1. The department expects that the municipality will mitigate the impacts of traffic generated by developments approved on the local road connections to the highway system, pursuant to Policy 7 of the Provincial Land Use Policies and Section 618.4 of the Municipal Government Act

Please contact Transportation and Economic Corridors through the [RPATH Portal](#) if you have any questions, or require additional information.”

CARRIED

2023-0-022 VHL Construction Ltd

(Lot 23, Block 31, Plan 1410820 with NE1/4 10-13-16-W4M
Use: Residential

Land Use District: Residential – R district

RES: MPC23.46 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Forchuk to approve the 2023-0-022 Subdivision application with the following conditions, reasons and informative:

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to the Town of Vauxhall.
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1. The proposed subdivision is consistent with the South Saskatchewan Regional Plan.
2. The Subdivision Authority is satisfied that the proposed subdivision is suitable for the purpose for which the subdivision is intended pursuant to Section 9 of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation.
3. With the variances granted, the proposed subdivision complies with the Land Use Bylaw.
4. The Subdivision Authority granted variances to the minimum lot width and lot area requirements for semi-detached dwellings prescribed in the Residential – R land use district.
5. AB Transportation has authorized the Subdivision Authority to vary the requirements of Sections 18 and 19 of the Matters Relating to Subdivision and Development Regulation to accommodate the proposal.

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- (b) That a legal description for the proposed parcel be approved by the Surveys Branch, Land Titles Office, Calgary.
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- (d) The Subdivision Authority waived the minimum lot width and lot area requirements for semi-detached dwellings prescribed within the Residential – R land use district in accordance with Section 654(2) of the Municipal Government Act to accommodate the proposal.
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CARRIED

Adjournment 5:09 p.m.

**CHAIR
HENRY ZACHARIAS**

**DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
CRIS BURNS**

ye.

**Barons-Eureka-Warner Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)
Minutes of Board Meeting – Wednesday, October 4, 2023
Coaldale Hub (2107-13th Street)
In-person and Online**

Attendance (in-person)

Board Members:

- Bekkering, Garth – Town of Taber
- Chapman, Bill - Town of Coaldale, Vice-Chair
- Degenstein, Dave – Town of Milk River
- Doell, Daniel – Village of Barons
- Feist, Teresa - Town of Picture Butte
- Foster, Missy – Village of Barnwell
- Heggie, Jack – County of Warner
- Hickey, Lorne – Lethbridge County
- Jensen, Kelly – Town of Raymond
- Jensen, Melissa – Town of Nobleford
- Kirby, Martin – Village of Warner

Attendance (on-line):

- Montina, Lyndsay – Town of Coalhurst
- Payne, Megan – Village of Coutts

Absent – Board Members

- Harris, Merrill – M.D. of Taber, Board Chair
- Nilsson, Larry – Village of Stirling
- Plumtree, Margaret - Town of Vauxhall

Staff (in-person):

- Morrison, Zakk - Executive Director
- Weaver, Kaitlynn – Outreach Services Supervisor
- Florence-Greene, Evelyn – Accounting Assistant
- Hashizume, Linda – Executive Assistant

Call to Order

B. Chapman called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.
Carried Unanimously

Approval of Agenda

T. Feist moved the Board approved the agenda as amended.
2 b) Business Arising from Minutes
6 c) Lease Improvements
Carried Unanimously

Minutes

J. Heggie moved the minutes of the September 6, 2023, FCSS Board meeting be approved as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Business Arising from Minutes

Z. Morrison discussed the Alberta Community Partnership Funding Proposal submission process with the Board.

Z. Morrison will update the Board when notice is received regarding the outcome of the proposal.

Z. Morrison asked the Board to pass on his thanks to each of the CAO's for their role in assisting with the letters of support.

B. Chapman thanked the Board for their support for the funding proposal.

G. Bekkering moved the Board received the information regarding the Alberta Community Partnership Funding Proposal for information.

Carried Unanimously

Delegation

Kaitlynn Weaver, Outreach Services Supervisor reviewed the Draft Report to Municipalities – Outreach Services 2023.

The Board discussed the Draft Report to Municipalities – Outreach Services 2023.

L. Hickey asked if FCSS has enough volunteers to run the income tax program in 2024.

K. Weaver responded we currently have 5 Volunteers but could always use more.

B. Chapman suggested Kaitlynn contract Canadian Food Grain Banks, they are available as supports for agriculture.

Kaitlynn Weaver left the meeting at 4:35 pm.

D. Degenstein moved the Board approve the Draft Report to Municipalities – Outreach Services 2023 as presented and requested Administration distribute the report to our Municipalities and Alberta Government funders.

Carried Unanimously

Correspondence

The following correspondence was presented for information:

- 2023 September Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta (FCSSAA) News
- 2023-09-21 – Email from Judy Macknee, Executive Assistant, FCSSAA regarding Inviting MLAs to the FCSSAA Conference.



L. Hickey moved the Board direct Administration to invite our MLAs to the 2023 Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta (FCSSAA) FCSSAA AGM breakfast.

Carried Unanimously

M. Kirby moved to receive the correspondence for information.

Carried Unanimously

Reports

Executive Director

Z. Morrison reviewed the Executive Director's report.

The following was highlighted:

- Seniors' Expo, October 25, 2023, from 2:00pm - 6:00pm, Taber Community Centre Auditorium.
- Grief Support Group starting in Coaldale, October 19th from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm.
- On-line group facilitation group for Autism and Downs syndrome.

G. Bekkering moved the Board to approve the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Financial Report

Z. Morrison reviewed the Financial Report.

L. Hickey moved the Board approve the June 2023 Financial Report including:

- Financial statement for August 31, 2023;
- Monthly accounts for August 1-31, 2023;
- Mastercard statement for August 12 to September 13, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

New Business

2023-2024 FCSS Association Membership Invoice

The 2023-2024 FCSS Association Membership Invoice was discussed.

T. Feist moved the Board approve payment of the FCSSAA Membership Invoice #1716 for September 1, 2023, to August 31, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

FCSSAA Annual Conference

B. Chapman indicated the annual FCSSAA Conference will be held November 22-24, 2023, in Edmonton. Board attendance at the conference is done on a rotating basis with four members budgeted to attend the FCSSAA Conference yearly.

The FCSSAA Conference attendance and two voting delegates will be added to the November 1, 2023 Board agenda.

Lease Improvements:

Z. Morrison discussed the office space housing Administration.

The Board discussed the Administration office space.

L. Hickey asked the length of the lease with the Town of Coaldale

E. Florence-Greene responded that the current lease with the Town is from 2022 to 2027.

Concern was expressed over the Town of Coaldale increasing the rent.

D. Degenstein moved the Board approve leasehold improvements to the Administration office area in the amount of \$18,650.

Carried Unanimously

Round Table:

Z. Morrison noted the Strategic Plan has been printed in a booklet format and is available to any Board members who would like a copy.

Z. Morrison asked the Board if they would be interested in having a yearly group photo done. The photo, at the Board's discretion, could be used on the website or as otherwise directed by the Board.

The Board decided a photo should be taken in November of each year.

M. Kirby highly recommended attending the FCSSAA Conference.

Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next regular Board meeting will be November 1, 2023, at the Coaldale Hub (2107-13th Street) in-person and online (via Teams) starting at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment


J. Heggie moved the meeting adjourn at 5:15 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



Chairperson

D. DEGENSTEIN



Executive Director

4 f.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2023; 6:00 pm

ORRSC Conference Room (3105 - 16 Avenue North, Lethbridge)

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission was held on Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 6:00 pm, in the ORRSC Administration Building, as well as virtually via Zoom.

Attendance

Executive Committee:

Gordon Wolstenholme, Chair
Don Anderberg, Vice Chair, Virtual
David Cody
Christopher Northcott, Virtual
Jesse Potrie
Neil Sieben
Brad Schlossberger, Virtual

Staff:

Steve Harty, Senior Planner
Raeanne Keer, Executive Assistant
Gavin Scott, Senior Planner
Jaime Thomas, GIS Analyst

Chair Wolstenholme called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Christopher Northcott

THAT the Executive Committee adopts the October 13, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: Don Anderberg

THAT the Executive Committee approves the July 13, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, as presented.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. **Official Business**

a. **GIS Presentation – Jaime Thomas**

J. Thomas, GIS Analyst, presented information on the current GIS system, recently implemented applications accessible within the system, and examples of special projects developed for member municipalities.

b. **Chinook Intermunicipal SDAB Mid-Year Report**

R. Keer, Executive Assistant, presented the mid-year report for the Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board to the Committee, highlighting that as of August 29, 2023 10 appeal applications have been received, with 8 hearings held, and 2 appeals withdrawn.

R. Keer noted that currently 34 of the 39 member municipalities are a part of the Chinook Intermunicipal SDAB, with anticipation of another municipality joining soon.

c. **Regional Assessment Review Board Report**

R. Keer, presented an update on the 2023 Assessment Review Board, highlighting that as of August 29, 2023 27 Assessment Complaints were received, and that the hearings have been scheduled within their respective municipalities through October and November 2023.

R. Keer noted that currently 35 of the 39 member municipalities are a part of the Regional Assessment Review Board for an annual fee of \$225.00, and that ORRSC currently provides services to two municipalities outside of the membership, the Town of Coaldale and Improvement District No. 4 (Waterton) for a higher annual fee of \$500.00.

R. Keer stated that the current annual fee has not been increased for a number of years, and that Administration is recommending increasing the member fee from \$225.00 to \$300.00, and the non-members from \$500.00 to \$650.00, approximately a 30% increase. R. Keer stated that Administration would like direction from the Executive on this increase as it will have implications for the budget process and will be required to initiate updating contracts with the member municipalities regarding this service.

Moved by: Jesse Potrie

THAT the Executive Committee approves the increase for member municipalities from \$225.00 to \$300.00, and non-member municipalities from \$500.00 to \$650.00, approximately a 30% increase, for budget purposes, and for Administration to begin reviewing for contract amendments with the participating municipalities.

The Committee discussed whether the increase to the annual fee should be discussed further as part of the budget deliberations at the next meeting.

J. Potrie withdrew his motion.

Moved by: Christopher Northcott

THAT the Executive Committee directs Administration to review the annual fee increase by 30% for the Assessment Review Board for the 2024 draft budget.

CARRIED

d. Mileage Rate Report

R. Keer presented the Mileage Rate Report to the Committee, highlighting that ORRSC currently uses two different mileage rates for various functions within the organization, the Canada Revenue Agency mileage rate and the Government of Alberta Travel, Meal, and Hospitality Expenses Policy mileage rate.

R. Keer stated that Administration is requesting direction on if the Committee would like to standardize the rate across the organization, and if so, what mileage rate they would like to set.

Moved by: Don Anderberg

THAT the Executive Committee directs Administration to implement the Canada Revenue Agency Mileage Rate as the corporate standard, effective for the 2024 Budget.

CARRIED

e. 2024 Operating Budget & 5 Year Capital Plan - Draft

The Executive Committee reviewed the draft 2024 Operating Budget and 5 Year Capital Plan.

The Committee discussed the organization's current financial situation, and potential impacts on the 2024 Operating Budget.

Brad Schlossberger and Christopher Northcott left the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and did not return.

The Committee discussed having a special budget meeting prior to the next monthly Executive Committee meeting.

Moved by: David Cody

THAT the Executive Committee scheduled a Special Budget Executive Committee Meeting for Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED

f. 2023 Annual Chief Administrative Officer Performance Evaluation

R. Keer presented the 2023 Annual Chief Administrative Officers Performance Evaluation to the Committee.

The Committee discussed submitting the forms to Chair Wolstenholme for compilation for the November 9th Executive Committee Meeting.

g. Subdivision Activity

- **As of September 30, 2023**

G. Scott, Senior Planner, presented the Subdivision Activity Reports as of September 30, 2023 to the Committee.

5. Accounts

a. Office Accounts

(i) Monthly Office Accounts

- June 2023 - August 2023

(ii) Payments and Credits

- May 2023 - July 2023

Chair Wolstenholme presented the Monthly Office Accounts and the Payments and Credits to the Committee.

Moved by: Don Anderberg

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Monthly Office Account for June 2023 through August 2023 and the Payments and Credits for May 2023 through July 2023, as presented.

CARRIED

b. Financial Statements

(i) Balance Sheet

- As of August 31, 2023

(ii) Comparative Income Statement

- As of August 31, 2023

(iii) Details of Account

- As of August 31, 2023

Chair Wolstenholme presented the Balance Sheet, the Comparative Income Statement and the Details of Account, as of May 31, 2023 to the Committee.

Moved by: David Cody

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2023, the Comparative Income Statement as of August 31, 2023, and the Details of Account as of August 31, 2023, as presented.

CARRIED

6. New Business


There was no new business for discussion.

7. Round Table Discussions

Committee members reported on various projects and activities in their respective municipalities.

8. Adjournment

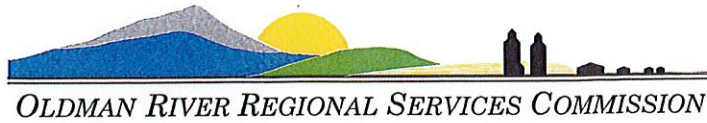
Following all discussions, Chair Gordon Wolstenholme adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:35 pm.



CHAIR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



49.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

November 2, 2023; 6:00 pm

ORRSC Conference Room (3105 - 16 Avenue North, Lethbridge)

The Special Executive Committee Meeting of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission was held on Thursday, November, 2023, at 6:00 pm, in the ORRSC Administration Building, as well as virtually via Zoom.

Attendance

Executive Committee:

Gordon Wolstenholme, Chair
Don Anderberg, Vice Chair, Virtual
David Cody
Christopher Northcott, Virtual
Jesse Potrie
Neil Sieben
Brad Schlossberger

Staff:

Raeanne Keer, Executive Assistant
Lenze Kuiper, Chief Administrative Officer

Chair Wolstenholme called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

L. Kuiper, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that Administration has prepared additions to the Agenda to potentially relieve the need to meet again next week, depending on discussions regarding the proposed 2024 Operating Budget.

L. Kuiper proposed the following additions:

- Official Business: d. Subdivision Activity as of October 31, 2023;
- Office Accounts: (i) Monthly Office Accounts (September 2023) and (ii) Payments & Credits August 2023);
- Financial Statements: (i) Balance Sheet (As of September 30, 2023), (ii) Comparative Income Statement (As of September 30, 2023), and (iii) Details of Account (As of September 30, 2023);
- CAO Report; and,
- Roundtable.

Moved by: Neil Sieben

THAT the Executive Committee adopts the November 2, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda, as amended to include:

- Official Business: d. Subdivision Activity as of October 31, 2023;
- Office Accounts: (i) Monthly Office Accounts (September 2023) and (ii) Payments & Credits August 2023);

- Financial Statements: (i) Balance Sheet (As of September 30, 2023), (ii) Comparative Income Statement (As of September 30, 2023), and (iii) Details of Account (As of September 30, 2023);
- CAO Report; and,
- Roundtable.

CARRIED

2. Official Business

a. Chinook SDAB & Regional ARB Annual Fee Analysis

R. Keer, Executive Assistant, presented a fee analysis for the annual fees charged to participating municipalities for the Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board and the Regional Assessment Review Board.

The Committee discussed the administrative roles and responsibilities of maintaining and managing the Chinook SDAB and Regional ARB.

Moved by: Don Anderberg

THAT the Executive Committee directs Administration to increase the annual fee for the Regional Assessment Review Board from \$225.00 a year to \$500.00 a year, effective for 2024.

CARRIED

Moved by: David Cody

THAT the Executive Committee directs Administration to leave the annual fee for the Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board as \$500.00 a year for 2024.

CARRIED

b. 2023 Cash Flow Report

L. Kuiper presented the 2023 Cash Flow Report to the Executive Committee.

c. 2024 Operating Budget & 2023-2027 Capital Budget

L. Kuiper presented the proposed 2024 Operating Budget, highlighting proposed increases to membership fees for planning and GIS, the decreased proposed Fee for Service Revenue, and decreased proposed Subdivision Fees Revenue.

The Committee discussed the 50% subdivision fee reduction received by municipalities, and the loss of income to the organization associated. The Committee discussed the no charge

policy for reserves (MR- Municipal Reserve, SR – School Reserve, MSR – Municipal/School Reserve, (ER – Environmental Reserve) and Public Utility Lots (PUL).

Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee directs Administration stop the subdivision fee membership discount of 50% and the no charge policy for reserves (MR- Municipal Reserve, SR – School Reserve, MSR – Municipal/School Reserve, (ER – Environmental Reserve) and Public Utility Lots (PUL).

CARRIED

L. Kuiper continued presenting the 2024 Operating Budget to the Committee.

The Committee discussed a further increase in membership fees for both planning and GIS.

The Committee discussed further decreasing the proposed revenue for Fee for Service and Subdivision Fees to correlate stronger with recent years.

d. Subdivision Activity

- **As of October 31, 2023**

L. Kuiper presented the Subdivision Activity Reports as of October 31, 2023 to the Committee.

3. Accounts

a. Office Accounts

(i) Monthly Office Accounts

- September 2023

(ii) Payments and Credits

- August 2023

L. Kuiper presented the Monthly Office Accounts and the Payments and Credits to the Committee.

Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Monthly Office Accounts for September 2023 and the Payments and Credits for August 2023, as presented.

CARRIED

b. Financial Statements

(i) Balance Sheet

- As of September 30, 2023

(ii) Comparative Income Statement

- As of September 30, 2023

(iii) Details of Account

- As of September 30, 2023

L. Kuiper presented the Balance Sheet, the Comparative Income Statement and the Details of Account, as of September 30, 2023 to the Committee.

Moved by: Jesse Potrie

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2023, the Comparative Income Statement as of September 30, 2023, and the Details of Account as of September 30, 2023, as presented.

CARRIED

6. CAO Report

L. Kuiper presented his CAO Report to the Committee

7. Round Table Discussions

Committee members reported on various projects and activities in their respective municipalities.

8. Adjournment

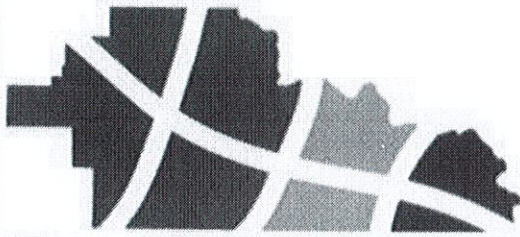
Following all discussions, Chair Gordon Wolstenholme adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:46 pm.



CHAIR


CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

yh.



Vauxhall & District CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Board Meeting Minutes – October 19th, 2023

- 6pm – Held in person and virtually via Zoom.
- **Called to order:** at 6:04pm by Shelley Mehlhaff
- **Recording Secretary:** Lexi Tessemaker
- **Attendance:** Shelley Mehlhaff, John DeGroot, Petra Klemptner, Shelley Deleeuw, Melissa Golby, Via Zoom Dallen Flexhaug, Chantal Claassan

Additions to the agenda:

- **Motion:** Melissa Golby moved to approve the agenda as presented Shelley Deleeuw seconded the motion – Carried
- **Financial Report:** The financial report was unable to be presented due to being unable to access the online banking.

Administrative Report: Lexi Tessemaker presented the administrative report.

- **Motion:** John Degroot moved to accept two new membership applications, Dusty Acers Youth Shooting Society, and South Central Alberta Rural Crime Watch Association, Ken Holst seconded the motion – carried

Correspondence:

- The discussion held at the previous August 17th meeting was circulated.
- **Motion:** Dallen Flexhaug moved to approve the September 21st Meeting minutes, John Degroot seconded the motion. – carried

Old Business

QuickBooks: QuickBooks pricing was discussed.

New Business:

- **Snowflake Frolic:** There was a discussion about the upcoming Snowflake Frolic and a to-do list was created for the administrative assistant.
- **November Dinner and Dance:** The November 25th dinner and dance was discussed and a bar shift sign up sheet was to be circulated.
- **Next meeting Date:** Thursday November 23rd, 2023 @ 6pm held at the Vauxhall Library.
- **Meeting Adjourned** @ 6:40 by John Degroot, Seconded by Dallen Flexhaug.



COUNCIL
Policy No.027-2017
RES: 17:15
RES: 17:277
RES: 19:69
RES: 20:31
RES: 21:29
RES: 23:85

COUNCIL REMUNERATION

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to establish remuneration rates and service awards for Elected Officials and Members at Large appointed to the Municipal Planning Commission.

Policy Statement:

To provide a fair and equitable means of reimbursement to Elected Officials or attendance and performing their duties and also for the payment of reasonable allowances for travel and subsistence for attendance at conferences, training or seminars etc.

To recognize the contribution to the community given by outgoing elected officials through a formal recognition of service.

1. Monthly Remuneration

A monthly honorarium shall be paid to each Elected Official as follows:

Mayor - \$500.00 per month.

- Established to recognize the additional duties and responsibilities of the "Chief Elected Official" as set out in the Municipal Government Act and the additional time spent, as Mayor, on Town business or public relations.
- To recognize time spent reviewing/discussing matters with the Chief Administrative Officer, members of Council and/or members of the community, outside the formal meeting setting.
- To recognize time spent in the Municipal office signing cheques, letters and other documents.
- To recognize time spent attending local functions when the presence of the Mayor is requested or when protocol dictates the Mayors presence or where good public relations warrants the Mayors attendance such as: community functions, graduation exercises, Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Deputy Mayor - \$300.00 per month.

- In the absence of the Mayor will perform the duties listed above.

4. Traveling & Subsistence Expenses

- a.) Use of personal vehicle to attend Board, Committee, Foundation or Society meetings, conferences, seminars, workshops or training held *outside of town* will be reimbursed at the rate as prescribed annually by the Minister of Finance and deemed reasonable by Canada Revenue Agency.
- b.) Reasonable meal costs except those included in registration will be reimbursed upon presentation of receipt. Gratuities listed on receipts will be reimbursed; gratuities shall not exceed 15% of the total bill.
- c.) Accommodation, based on single occupancy will be reimbursed upon presentation of receipt.
- d.) Actual cost for taxi and parking expenses will be reimbursed upon presentation of receipt.
- e.) A maximum per diem of \$10.00 per day will be reimbursed for non-receipt incidentals such as public transit, coffee, water.
- f.) Upon request, administration will advance to the Elected Official, a maximum allowance of 2/3 of the estimated expense prior to attending a conference or seminar.

5. Scope

Members at Large appointed to the Municipal Planning Commission and Appeal Board shall be subject to the same meeting and expense rates as set out in this policy.

6. Exceptions

A claim for honorarium or travel expenses cannot be made if the Elected Official is receiving reimbursement from the board, committee, commission, corporation, association, jurisdiction or other authority.

7. Training/Conference/Seminar Allowance

Each Elected Official will be budgeted an allowance for attendance at seminars, conferences, workshops and/or training related to the Elected Officials portfolio and be of a benefit to the Town. Registration fees and/or expenses to attend any function that causes the Elected Official to exceed his/her annual allowance must be pre-authorized by Council.

- a) An annual amount of \$500.00 will be issued to Elected Officials for Personal Development.
 - i.e. Elected Official Education Program

8. Technology

To assist with carrying out their duties, elected officials will be provided a laptop or similar portable device. Administration will provide Council a recommendation for suitable devices.

- a) At the end of each term, Councillors will return all supplied electronic equipment to administration to be restored to the factory defaults.
- b) After restoration all returned hardware may then be distributed as follows:
 - a. Returned to Councillor for personal use as the hardware may be at the end of its life cycle; or
 - b. Retained by the Town of Vauxhall for use; or
 - c. Donated to non-profit community group/organization at the discretion of Administration.

Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the elected official to submit honorarium and travel expense claims within thirty (30) days of occurrence.

It is the responsibility of payroll to ensure payment of annual expense allowance as per article 3.

7a.

VAUXHALL AND DISTRICT
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER
27
2023

Vauxhall Public Library
@6:00pm

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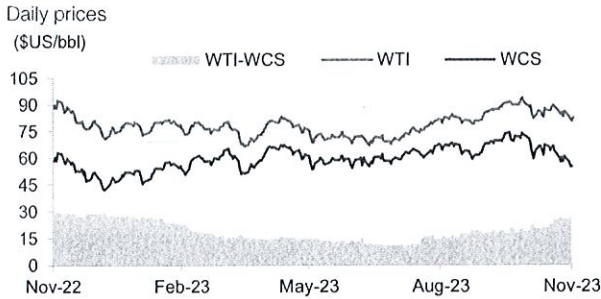
Alberta economy

Indicators at a glance

New: Oil Prices

WTI decreased \$0.75 over the week and closed at US\$82.46 on Thursday. The WTI-WCS differential closed at US\$27.40 per barrel, wider than a week ago.

OIL PRICES



Sources: US Energy Information Administration, CME Group, Kent Group Limited, Haver Analytics

New: Economic Activity

The Alberta Activity Index increased in August (1.0% month-over-month), and was up 1.0% from a year ago. Alberta's real GDP by industry increased by 5.1% in 2022, following 4.9% growth in 2021.

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY



Sources: Statistics Canada, Alberta Treasury Board and Finance, Haver Analytics

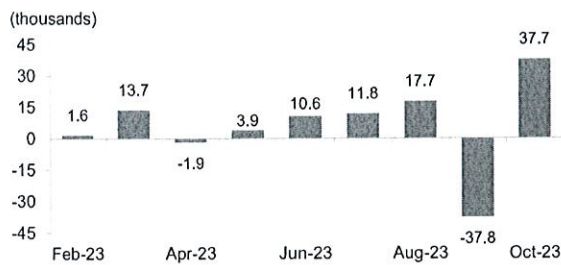
New: Labour Market

Employment increased by 37,700 in October. Compared to a year ago, it was up by 92,000. The next release is on December 1, 2023.

Alberta's unemployment rate was 5.8% in October, up 0.1 points from September, and was up 0.4 percentage points from a year ago.

LABOUR MARKET

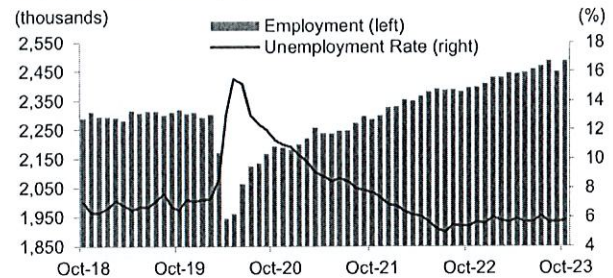
Monthly change in employment



Sources: Statistics Canada, Haver Analytics

LABOUR MARKET

Employment and unemployment rate



Sources: Statistics Canada, Haver Analytics

	WTI - West Texas Intermediate (US\$/bbl)	WTI-WCS Differential (US\$/bbl)	Henry Hub (US\$/MMBtu)	AECO-C (C\$/GJ)	Exchange Rate (USc/C\$)
November 2, 2023	82.46	27.40	3.47	2.62	72.58
Fiscal Year-To-Date	79.08	16.79	2.61	2.41	74.27

Manufacturing Shipments

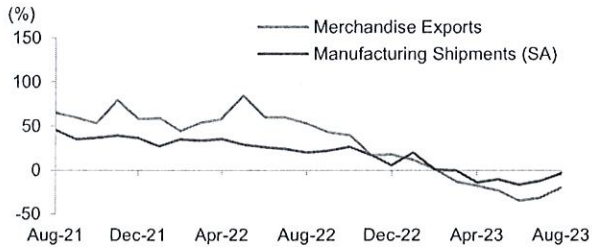
Manufacturing shipments increased 6% m/m to \$8.7 billion in August. However, they were down 3.3% from a year ago.

Merchandise Exports

Alberta goods exports increased 18.0% m/m in August to \$15.2 billion. However, they were down 20% from a year ago.

MANUFACTURING SHIPMENTS AND GOODS EXPORTS

Year-over-year % change



Sources: Statistics Canada, Haver Analytics; SA - Seasonally Adjusted

Housing Starts

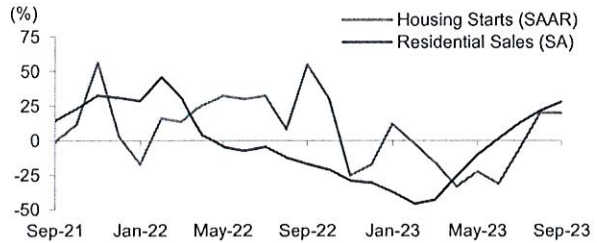
Alberta housing starts increased 21% m/m in September to 49,095 units (SAAR). They were up 20% from a year ago.

Resale Housing

The number of home sales in the resale market was up 1.9% m/m to 7,253 units in September, and was up 28% y/y.

HOUSING STARTS AND HOME SALES

Year-over-year % change



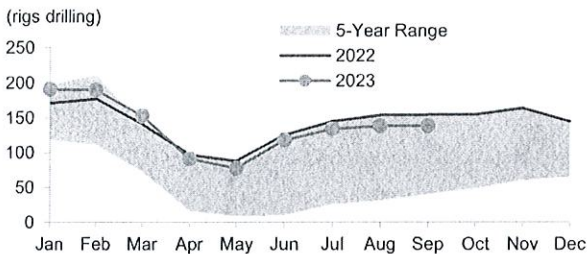
Sources: Statistics Canada, Canadian Real Estate Association, Haver Analytics; SAAR - Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate

Rigs Drilling

The number of rigs drilling in Alberta averaged 139 in September, down 11% from a year ago.

RIGS DRILLING

Number of rigs drilling and five-year seasonal range



Source: Canadian Association of Energy Contractors (CAOEC)

Average Weekly Earnings

Average weekly earnings in Alberta held steady in August at \$1292. They were up 2.6% from a year ago.

Inflation

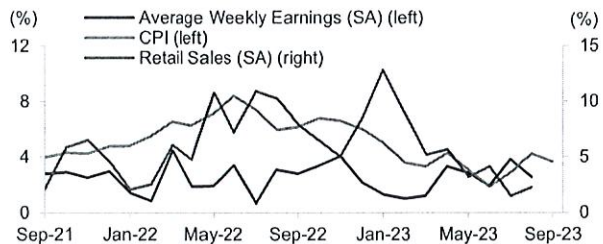
The consumer price index in Alberta increased 3.7% y/y in September, down from 4.3% y/y in August.

Retail Sales

Alberta retail sales decreased 0.9% m/m to \$8.5 billion in August. Compared to a year ago, sales were up 2.3%.

RETAIL SALES, CONSUMER PRICES, AND EARNINGS

Year-over-year % change



Sources: Statistics Canada, Haver Analytics

Wholesale Trade³

Whole trade increased 1.5% m/m to \$9.1 billion in August. Compared to a year ago sales were down 1%.

Population Growth

Alberta's population was 4,703,772 as of April 1, 2023, an increase of 4.5% from the year prior. During the last 12 months, Alberta welcomed 123,935 net international migrants and saw a net inflow of 56,462 interprovincial migrants.

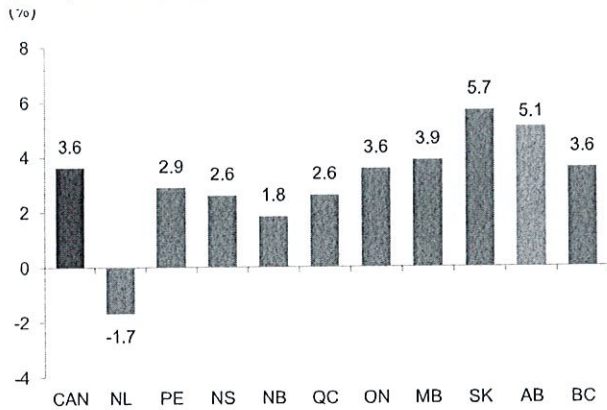
Contact Kwadwo Gyabaa at TBF.ERFPublications@gov.ab.ca

For current analysis of the Alberta Economy please see the

[Weekly Economic Review](#)

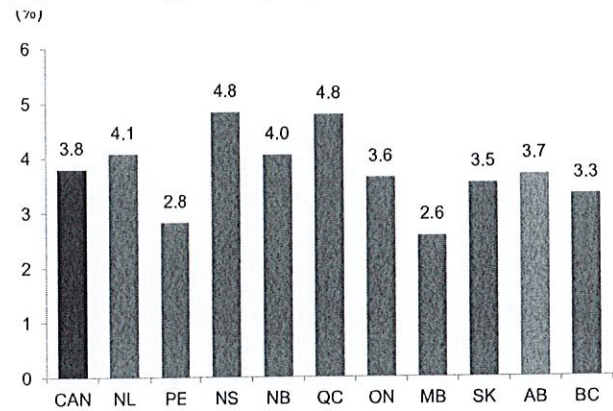
REAL GDP BY INDUSTRY

(2022, year-over-year growth)



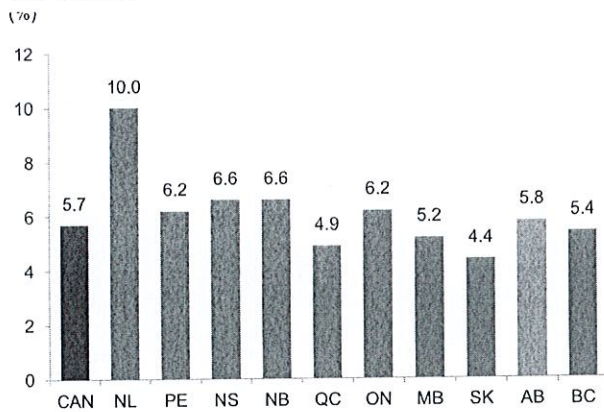
CPI INFLATION

(September 2023, year-over-year growth)



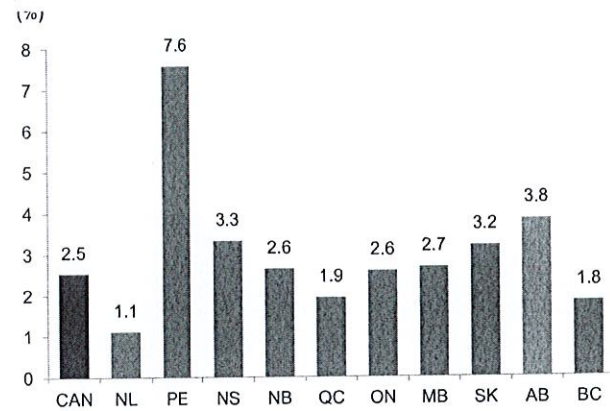
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

(October 2023)



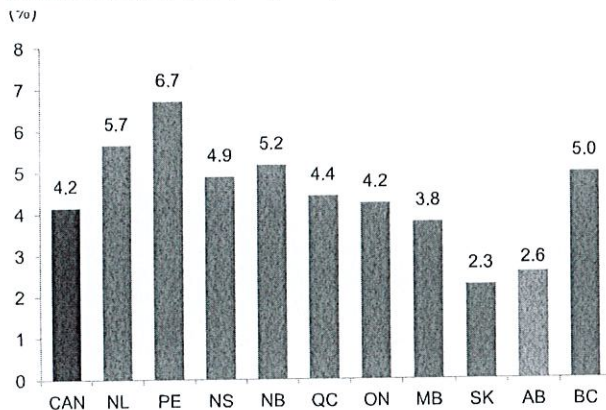
EMPLOYMENT

(October 2023, year-over-year growth)



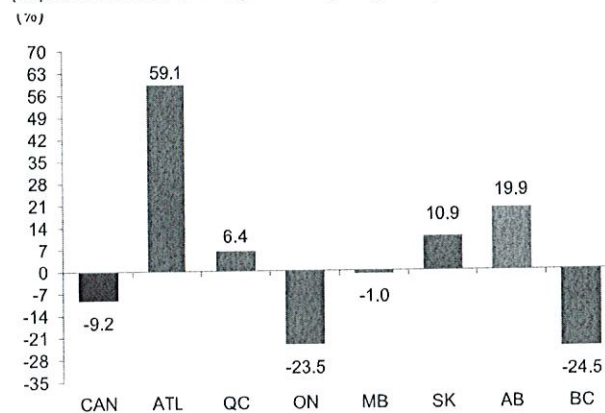
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

(August 2023, year-over-year growth)



HOUSING STARTS

(September 2023, SAAR, year-over-year growth)



ALBERTA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	2021	2022	2023YTD	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23
New: Alberta Activity Index (y/y % change)	8.6	4.7	1.5	1.5	-0.4	0.5	1.0		
Population¹									
Population (thousands)	4,444	4,543	4,695			4,695			
y/y % change	0.6	2.2	4.1			4.1			
Net Interprovincial Migration	-9,458	5,646	56,245			13,926			
Net International Migration	17,668	59,998	98,909						
Labour Market									
New: Employment (thousands, SA)	2,260	2,376	2,455	2,447	2,458	2,469	2,487	2,449	2,487
m/m change (thousands)				3.9	10.6	11.8	17.7	-37.8	37.7
y/y % change	5.4	5.2	3.5	2.8	2.8	3.5	4.1	2.8	3.8
New: Unemployment Rate (% , SA)	8.6	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.7	6.1	5.7	5.7	5.8
New: Participation Rate (% , SA)	69.7	69.8	69.6	69.5	69.5	69.9	69.7	68.4	69.3
Average Weekly Earnings (\$, SA)	1,226	1,257	1,279	1,287	1,281	1,292	1,292		
y/y % change	2.1	2.5	2.3	2.9	1.9	3.8	2.6		
Household Sector									
Retail Sales (\$ millions, SA)	91,534	97,807	67,933	8,571	8,455	8,427	8,502		
y/y % change	11.7	6.9	5.4	3.2	4.1	1.5	2.3		
New Vehicle Sales (units, thousands)	197	182	137	20	20	17	19		
y/y % change	6.9	-7.7	9.8	30.6	8.4	2.3	18.0		
Consumer Price Index (y/y % change)	3.2	6.4	3.5	3.1	1.9	2.9	4.3	3.7	
Excluding Food & Energy	1.3	4.7	3.7	3.3	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.5	
Housing Starts (SAAR, thousands)	31.9	36.5	33.8	36.3	26.7	39.4	40.4	49.1	
y/y % change	32.9	14.4	-8.0	-22.2	-31.2	-6.1	20.1	19.9	
New Housing Price Index (y/y % change)	6.8	12.0	1.3	-0.8	-0.8	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	
Resale Home Sales (units, SA)	85,632	84,028	56,424	6,336	6,669	6,930	7,116	7,253	
y/y % change	53.6	-1.9	-15.9	-10.2	1.8	12.7	21.9	28.2	
Sales to New Listing Ratio (SA)	0.70	0.68	0.72	0.76	0.76	0.73	0.72	0.74	
MLS Average Resale Prices (\$ thousands, SA)	425	447	445	452	455	452	451	458	
y/y % change	9.2	5.3	-0.1	2.4	3.7	4.1	5.0	6.0	
New: Consumer Bankruptcies (level)	2,731	2,374	1,949	256	200	173	220	234	
y/y % change	-24.2	-13.1	9.2	18.0	6.4	-5.5	21.5	20.6	
Business Sector									
Goods Exports (customs based, \$ millions)	138,044	204,245	113,498	14,478	12,577	12,926	15,202		
y/y % change	50.0	48.0	-17.1	-22.5	-34.4	-30.9	-19.7		
Energy Products (\$ millions)	99,491	158,590	83,141	10,796	9,303	9,354	11,618		
y/y % change	65.3	59.4	-22.5	-26.4	-39.2	-36.7	-24.1		
Agricultural Products (\$ millions)	8,888	10,607	8,077	936	712	900	742		
y/y % change	-1.3	19.3	40.5	19.7	4.2	9.2	13.5		
Rigs Drilling	98	144	137	78	118	135	139	139	
y/y % change	63.7	46.9	-1.8	-11.3	-6.0	-7.5	-10.3	-10.6	
Manufacturing Shipments (\$ millions, SA)	86,791	108,544	68,873	8,467	7,824	8,189	8,677		
y/y % change	34.5	25.1	-4.6	-9.8	-16.0	-11.7	-3.3		
Wholesale Trade (\$ millions, SA) ³	88,130	106,065	249,664	38,347	32,483	35,825	37,275		
y/y % change	14.7	20.4	257.8	333.8	262.8	315.7	307.0		
Building Permits (\$ millions, SA)	14,473	15,406	10,112	1,297	1,476	1,251	1,280		
y/y % change	35.0	6.4	-5.3	-12.5	7.9	-14.8	-3.6		
Residential Permits (\$ millions, SA)	9,512	10,440	6,423	767	903	793	869		
y/y % change	39.4	9.8	-11.3	-29.5	-8.0	-18.7	-5.9		
Non-Residential Permits (\$ millions, SA)	4,961	4,966	3,689	529	572	459	411		
y/y % change	27.2	0.1	7.6	34.5	48.2	-7.0	1.4		
New: Non-Res. Building Cons. Price Index ² (y/y % change)	5.7	10.7	5.2		4.7			3.9	

¹ Population data presented on a census year basis (July 1– June 30).

² Quarterly, average of Calgary and Edmonton.

³ Wholesale trade (excluding petroleum, petroleum products, and other hydrocarbons and excluding oilseed and grain)
"SA" denotes seasonally adjusted. "SAAR" denotes seasonally adjusted at annual rate.

All annual data are unadjusted.

Sources: All data are from Statistics Canada except the Alberta Activity Index (Alberta Treasury Board and Finance), Housing Starts (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation), MLS Average Resale Prices (Canadian Real Estate Association or CREA), Rigs Drilling (Canadian Association of Energy Contractors) and Bankruptcies (Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada).
All historical data are subject to revision.