



## Ward Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, February 21, 2023, 7:01 p.m.**  
**S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium**

### **1. Current River Ward Meeting**

Chair: Councillor Andrew Foulds

### **2. Resource Persons**

Linda Evans, General Manager - Corporate Services & Long Term Care  
Kayla Dixon, Director - Engineering & Operations  
Werner Schwar, Supervisor - Parks & Open Space Planning  
Katie Piché, Council & Committee Clerk

### **3. Attendance**

There were 2 individuals in attendance, not including those viewing the meeting online, as follows: Kasey Etreni, Dominic Pasqualino

### **4. Welcome and Opening Remarks**

The Chair provided introductory comments.

### **5. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Minutes of the Current River Ward meeting held on April 13, 2022, for information.

### **6. 2023 Budget**

General Manager - Corporate Services & Long Term Care Linda Evans provided an overview relative to the 2023 Capital and Operating Budget, including information on the following:

- Tax Levy Increase
- Key Drivers
- Council approved amendments

- Tax and water rates
- Municipal Tax Levy Increase Breakdown
- Tax Levy Comparators

A discussion was held relative to the above noted and Linda Evans responded to questions.

An overview was also provided relative to the low income tax and water rebate application process.

## **7. Capital Projects Update**

Director - Engineering & Operations Kayla Dixon provided an update relative to 2023 Capital Projects in Current River. The following projects were discussed:

- River Street progress
- Asset Management Plan
- Review of roads each year - rating system
- Climate change impacts
- Red River Road construction - 'Get Involved' page for construction updates.

Kayla Dixon responded to questions relative to the above noted items.

## **8. Parks Update**

Supervisor - Parks & Open Space Planning Werner Schwar provided an update relative to 2023 Parks Projects in Current River. The following proposed park projects and park updates were discussed:

- Fisherman's Park West
- Trowbridge Falls Park
- Wayfinding - Black Sheep trails
- Centennial Park
- Boulevard Lake Park
- Waddington Park
- Waterfront Trail overlook
- Pool 6 Trail
- Marina Park festival area

A discussion was held relative to the vandalism that occurred at Centennial Park last year. Werner Schwar advised that Parks has reached out to the carver to discuss recreating the damaged sections of the wooden sculptures.

A discussion was held relative to different types of walking trails around the city, including approximate cost of asphalt vs. granular trails.

**9. Adjournment**

The Chair advised that the next Current River Ward meeting will be held in person in Current River and encouraged constituents to email in questions prior to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.