



# MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW No. 16

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday March 17, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Council Chambers  
Administration Building

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1. Call to Order
  2. Adoption of Agenda
  3. Bylaws 3.1 Bylaw 20-846 Procedural Bylaw Amendment
  4. New Business 4.1 COVID-19 Update
  5. Closed Session 5.1 Privileged Information
  6. Adjournment



# REQUEST FOR DECISION

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**SUBJECT:** Bylaw 20-846 “Procedural Bylaw Amendment”  
**SUBMISSION TO:** SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING                      REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION  
**MEETING DATE:** March 17, 2020                                      CAO: DT                                      MANAGER:  
**DEPARTMENT:** CAO SERVICES                                      GM:                                      PRESENTER: DL  
**STRATEGIC PLAN:** Level of Service

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**RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

**Provincial (cite) –N/A**

**Council Bylaw/Policy (cite) –Bylaw 19-809 “Procedural Bylaw”**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**MOTION: That Council give first reading to Bylaw 20-846 “Procedural Bylaw Amendment”.**

**MOTION: That Council give second Reading to Bylaw 20-846 “Procedural Bylaw Amendment”.**

**MOTION: That Council give unanimous consent to give third reading to Bylaw 19-849 “Procedural Bylaw Amendment”.**

**MOTION: That Council give third reading to Bylaw 20-846 “Procedural Bylaw Amendment”.**

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**BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:**

In order to address circumstances such as the COVID-19 outbreak, administration is recommending the amendment of the procedural bylaw, to remove the requirement for 50% of Council to be in attendance physically at any meeting of Council. This change would allow for a Council meeting, special council meeting, or committee of the whole meeting to proceed with a quorum of members in attendance by electronic means.

Meetings with a majority of members attending through electronic means have to be identified as an electronic meeting and made available to the public. This means the public must be notified of how they can listen to the meeting.

Additionally, Administration is recommending a change to the order of business in removing correspondence as correspondence is sent to council separately from their agenda package and it is not reviewed at Council. Correspondence will be replaced with “Notice of Motion”. Lastly, Members Business has been moved to follow Closed Session.

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**BENEFITS OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

1. Greenview will be prepared to carry on council business through challenges such as COVID-19 or any other circumstance that may prevent councillors from travelling to the main administration office.

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**DISADVANTAGES OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

1. There will be no guarantee that at least half of council will be in attendance at the actual meeting place.

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**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:**

**Alternative #1:** Council could consider adding a caveat to the provision stating “unless the Reeve authorizes a Council meeting to proceed through electronic means despite half of the Members not being in physical attendance at the meeting due to extenuating circumstances” rather than removing the portion of the provision as stated in the bylaw. “Extenuating circumstances” would be defined and determined by the Reeve.

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**FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:**

There are no financial implications to the recommended motion.

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**STAFFING IMPLICATION:**

There are no staffing implications to the recommended motion.

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**PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LEVEL:**

Greenview has adopted the IAP2 Framework for public consultation.

**INCREASING LEVEL OF PUBLIC IMPACT**

Inform

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GOAL**

Inform - To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.

**PROMISE TO THE PUBLIC**

Inform - We will keep you informed.

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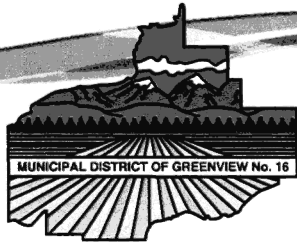
**FOLLOW UP ACTIONS:**

Administration will update the registry.

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**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- Bylaw 19-809
- Bylaw 20-846



## BYLAW NO. 19-809 of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16

**A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16, in the Province of Alberta, to provide for the orderly proceedings of meetings of Council, Council Committees and other bodies established by Council.**

**Whereas**, pursuant to section 145 of *the Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A 2000, c. M-26, Council may pass bylaws in relation to the establishment and functions of Council Committees, and the procedure and conduct of Council and Council Committees;

**And Whereas**, pursuant to section 203 of *the Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A 2000, c. M-26, Council may, by bylaw, delegate its powers, duties and functions to a Council Committee;

**And Whereas**, *the Municipal Government Act* governs the conduct of Councils, Councillors, Council Committees; municipal organization and administration; public participation; and the powers of a municipality;

**Therefore**, the Council of the M.D of Greenview No. 16 enacts as follows:

### 1 Short Title

- 1.1 This bylaw shall be cited as the "Procedural Bylaw."

### 2 Definitions

- 2.1 **Acting Reeve** means the Member, selected by Council, to preside at a meeting in the absence or incapacity of both the Reeve and Deputy Reeve.
- 2.2 **Administration** means the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or any employee of Greenview who is accountable to the CAO.
- 2.3 **Agenda** means the order of items of business for a meeting and the associated reports, bylaws and other documents.
- 2.4 **Annual Organizational Meeting** means the annual organizational meeting held in October as required under the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.5 **Business Day** means a day in which Greenview Administration Offices are open to the public, typically Monday through Friday, with the exception of Statutory Holidays.
- 2.6 **Call for the Order of the Day** means to demand to take up the proper business in order.

- 2.7 **Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)** means the Chief Administrative Officer for the M.D of Greenview duly appointed by Council as the head of Greenview Administration under Section 205 of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.8 **Chief Elected Official (CEO)** means the person appointed by Council as Reeve of the M.D of Greenview under Section 150 of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.9 **Closed Session** means a meeting or portion thereof where any members of the public are not permitted to attend. Councils and council committees may close all or part of their meetings to the public if a matter to be discussed is within one of the exceptions to disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.
- 2.10 **Committee of the Whole (COW)** means a Council Committee comprised of all Members of Council.
- 2.11 **Council** means the Reeve and Councillors duly elected in the M.D of Greenview and who continue to hold office.
- 2.12 **Council Committee** means a committee established by Council containing the entirety of Council Members, including Committee of the Whole and Municipal Planning Commission. These Committees make recommendations to Council.
- 2.13 **Delegation** means an individual or group making a presentation to Council or Council Committee.
- 2.14 **Deputy Reeve** the Councillor appointed by Council, pursuant to the Municipal Government Act to act as Chief Elected Official in the absence or incapacity of the Reeve.
- 2.15 **Electronic Meeting** means a meeting conducted through electronic communications.
- 2.16 **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP)** means the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter F-25, as amended.
- 2.17 **Greenview** means the municipal corporation of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16.
- 2.18 **Inaugural Organizational Meeting** means the first organizational meeting following a general election in accordance with requirements under the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.19 **Member** means either Council, Council Committee or Board Members.
- 2.20 **Municipal Government Act (MGA)** means the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended.
- 2.21 **Pecuniary Interest** means a pecuniary interest within the meaning of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.22 **Point of Information** means a request to a Member or an Administration, for information relevant to the business at hand, but not related to a point of procedure.
- 2.23 **Point of Order** means a demand that the Chair enforce the rules of procedure.

- 2.24 **Point of Privilege** means a request made to the Chair or Council on any matter related to the rights and privileges of Council or individual Councillors and includes the:
- a. Organization or existence of Council;
  - b. Comfort of Councillors;
  - c. Conduct of administrative employees or members of the public in attendance at the meeting;
  - d. Accuracy of the reports of Council's proceedings;
  - e. Reputation of Councillors or Council.
- 2.25 **Point of Procedure** means a request made to the Chair to obtain information on a matter of parliamentary law or the rules of Council bearing on the business at hand in order to assist a Member to make an appropriate motion, raise a point of order, or understand the parliamentary situation or the effect of the motion.
- 2.26 **Privileged Motion** means motions that cannot be debated including
- a. A motion to recess;
  - b. A motion to adjourn;
  - c. A motion to set a time for adjournment; or
  - d. A point of privilege.
- 2.27 **Quorum** means the majority of all Members that comprise the Council or the Board pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.28 **Recess** means an intermission or break within a meeting that does not end the meeting, and after which proceedings are immediately resumed at the point that they were interrupted.
- 2.29 **Reeve** means the person elected or appointed as chief elected official under Section 150 of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.30 **Request for Information** means a request from a Member of Council regarding items on the Council meeting or Committee of the Whole meeting Agenda.

### 3 Application

- 3.1 Bylaw 13-692 "Meeting Procedure Bylaw", Bylaw 13-699 "Procedural Bylaw Amendment", Bylaw 13-713 "Public Hearing Procedure Bylaw" are hereby repealed.
- 3.2 This Bylaw applies to all meetings of Council and Committees and shall be binding on all Councillors and Committee Members.
- 3.3 This Bylaw shall will prevail over any other Bylaw of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16.

### 4 Interpretation

- 4.1 When a matter arises relating to proceedings not covered by a provision of this Bylaw, the matter shall be decided by reference to the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

- 4.2 Procedure is a matter of interpretation by the Chair.
  - 4.2.1 In the event of a conflict between Robert's Rules of Order and this Bylaw, the provisions of this Bylaw shall apply.
  - 4.2.2 In the absence of any statutory obligation, any provision of this Bylaw may be temporarily waived, altered or suspended by Special Resolution (two-thirds majority vote), except:
    - a. The provisions about statutory hearings; and
    - b. The provisions for amending or repealing this Bylaw.

## 5 Meetings

- 5.1 An Organizational Meeting will be held each year in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.
  - 5.1.1 Appointment of Reeve
    - a. The CAO or their designate will:
      - i. Call the meeting to order
      - ii. Issue the oaths of office as the first order of business at the first Organizational Meeting following a General Election;
      - iii. Preside over the election of Reeve by secret ballot;
      - iv. Issue the oath of Reeve.
    - b. The Reeve will:
      - i. Preside over the election of Deputy Reeve for a period of six (6) months by secret ballot, after which the CAO will administer the Oath of Deputy Reeve; and
      - ii. Preside over the remainder of the meeting.
    - c. Appointment of Deputy Reeve
      - i. The Appointment of Deputy Reeve will be made at the annual Organizational Meeting.
      - ii. The Appointment of Deputy Reeve will be for a period of six (6) months and will rotate between Council Members.
      - iii. The order of appointment for the duration of the election term will be determined at the first Organizational Meeting following an election. To determine the order of appointment, Council Members names will be drawn by the CAO from an appropriate receptacle. The appointments will occur in the order that the names are drawn and the order will be noted in the Minutes.
      - iv. A Member of Council is not obligated to serve as Deputy Reeve. In a case where the Councillor declines their turn as Deputy Reeve, the appointment will pass to the next Councillor in the order.
    - d. In the case of tied votes for either Reeve or in the appointment of a Board Member, the CAO will write the names of the individuals in question on slips of paper of equal size and place them in an

appropriate receptacle. The CAO will then draw a name from the receptacle and shall declare the name of the individual written on the withdrawn slip of paper.

- 5.1.2 Establish the dates, times and places for regular meetings of Council, Committee of the Whole, and the Municipal Planning Commission.
  - 5.1.3 Appoint Council Committee and Board Members.
  - 5.1.4 Conduct other business as identified within the organizational meeting agenda.
- 5.2 Regular Council Meeting
- 5.2.1 When a meeting falls on a Statutory Holiday, the meeting will be held the next business day and any other affected meetings shall be rescheduled to the following business day.
  - 5.2.2 All Regular Council meetings will be open to the public with the exception of Closed Session portions of the meeting.
  - 5.2.3 All Regular Council Meetings will be held in Council Chambers in Valleyview, Alberta unless otherwise resolved by Council.
  - 5.2.4 Council, by resolution, can establish additional meeting dates.
- 5.3 Special Council Meeting
- 5.3.1 The Reeve may call a Special Council Meeting at any time, and must do so if a majority of Councillors so request in writing, including a statement of the purpose of the meeting.
  - 5.3.2 A Special Council Meeting must be held within fourteen (14) days of receiving the request.
  - 5.3.3 The Reeve calls a Special Council Meeting by giving at least 24 hours' notice in writing to each Councillor and the public stating the purpose of the meeting, as well as the time and location where it will be held.
- 5.4 Committee of the Whole
- 5.4.1 The Deputy Reeve will Chair Committee of the Whole Meetings. In the absence of the Deputy Reeve, the Reeve will assume the role of Chair.
  - 5.4.2 Delegations will present at Committee of the Whole Meetings unless otherwise directed by majority vote of Council.



## 5.5 Closed Session Meeting

- 5.5.1 The *Municipal Government Act* permits Council or Council Committee to close all or part of the meeting to the public if a matter to be discussed is within one of the exceptions to disclose contained in Division 2 of Part 1 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.
- 5.5.2 A Subdivision Development Appeal Board may deliberate and make its decisions in meetings closed to the public.
- 5.5.3 When a meeting is held in Closed Session, Council or Council Committee may invite any person or persons to attend the Closed Session Meeting, as Council or Committee deems appropriate.
- 5.5.4 A Meeting held in Closed Session may, but will not generally, exclude Administration, but not Members as long as the Member is not disqualified from participating in the discussion due to Pecuniary Interest.
- 5.5.5 When a meeting is in Closed Session no resolutions may be passed at the meeting, except a resolution to revert to a meeting held in public.

## 5.6 Electronic Meetings

- 5.6.1 Pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act* a meeting of Council or Committee can be conducted through electronic means or through other communication facilities if:
  - a. Notice is given to the public of the meeting, including the way in which it will be conducted;
  - b. The facilities enable the public to watch and/or listen to the meeting at a place specified in the notice and a designated officer is in attendance at that place; and
  - c. The facilities enable all the meetings participants to watch and/or hear each other.
  - d. Council Members participating in a meeting held by means of a communications facility, or by electronic means, are deemed to be present at the meeting.
- 5.6.2 Members of Council or Committees may participate in meetings through electronic means or other communication facilities if:
  - a. There is a quorum of Council or Committee, including those attending through electronic means, with at least half the Members present in person in the actual meeting place; and
  - b. The Chief Administrative Officer or their designate is present at the place specified in the notice to the public about this meeting.

- 5.6.3 When a meeting goes into Closed Session, a Member of Council or Council Committee who is attending a meeting through electronic means must make a statement declaring that they are alone. To maintain confidentiality of matters discussed in Closed Session, if a Member is not alone, they may not participate in the Closed Session portion of the meeting.
- 5.6.4 Any person who wants to utilize electronic means or communication facilities to attend a meeting must:
  - a. Notify the Reeve or Chair of the Committee, and the CAO or their designate, that he or she intends to participate in the meeting through electronic means or communication facility;
  - b. Provide to the Reeve or Chair the reason that they cannot attend the meeting at the scheduled location; and
  - c. Advise the CAO or their designate of the phone numbers or means by which they will be available throughout the meeting.
- 5.7 Public Hearing
  - 5.7.1 A Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with a Regular Council or Special Council Meeting.
  - 5.7.2 A motion to go into Public Hearing is required before the subject matter is discussed.
  - 5.7.3 The public, or a representative, may address Council on a planning matter or other matter directed by Council subject to:
    - a. The speaker being acknowledged by the Chair.
    - b. Generally a ten (10) minute time limit will be imposed on anyone making a presentation, although additional time may be granted at the discretion of the Chair.
    - c. The presentation must be given in a respectful manner and otherwise in accordance with this Bylaw.
    - d. A presenter will generally be allowed to only speak once on an item, although additional opportunities to speak may be granted by the Chair.
    - e. Discussion shall only be regarding the matter identified on the agenda.
  - 5.7.4 Council members will not debate issues with any speaker, but each Member of Council may ask questions for clarification of each speaker. All questions will be directed through the Chair.
  - 5.7.5 Council may accept written submissions in lieu of verbal presentation as long as the document is signed, dated and includes the name and address of the person making the submission.

- 5.7.6 Individuals addressing Council shall state their name clearly and who they represent, if anyone, and provide the recording secretary with the correct spelling of their name.
- 5.7.7 Council may accept written submissions in lieu of verbal presentation as long as the document is signed, dated and includes the name and address of the person making the submission.
- 5.7.8 Individuals addressing Council shall state their name clearly and who they represent, if anyone, and provide the recording secretary with the correct spelling of their name.
- 5.7.9 Individuals addressing Council may, with the consent of the Chair, provide presentation material to be included in the official record of the Public Hearing.
- 5.7.10 At the discretion of Greenview Administration, no late submissions from the public are accepted unless the individual or group addresses Council at the Public Hearing.
- 5.7.11 In accordance with the Municipal Government Act, a Public Hearing:
- a. Shall hear any person, or group of persons, or person representing them, who claims to be affected by the proposed Bylaw or resolution and who has complied with the procedures outlined by the Council; and
  - b. May hear any other person who wishes to make a representation and whom the Council agrees to hear.
- 5.7.12 Individuals of the public attending a Public Hearing shall conduct themselves in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 5.7.13 The Order of Business for each item of the Public Hearing shall be:
- a. Presentations from Administration and questions for clarification;
  - b. Public Hearing Presentations by:
    - i. Those speaking in favour;
    - ii. Those speaking against;
    - iii. Follow-up questions from Council may be asked throughout the presentations and will be directed through the Chair;
  - c. Motions
- 5.7.14 All presentations should be made from the delegate table where possible.
- 5.7.15 A Council Member who is absent from the whole of a Public Hearing, is not entitled to vote on the matter and shall leave the meeting before the vote is taken.
- 5.7.16 When all persons who want to speak to an issue have been given their opportunity to speak, the Chair shall declare the Public Hearing closed. Once a Public Hearing is closed, it cannot be re-opened. Council may hold another Public Hearing on the same subject; however, it is subject to the same requirements of advertising and rules for speaking as the initial public Hearing in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

## 6 Agendas and Records of Meetings

### 6.1 Agendas

#### 6.1.1 Preparation

- a. Prior to each Council or Committee meeting, the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designate, shall prepare an Agenda of all business to be brought forward at the meeting, including input from participants, Administration, and previous meetings.
- b. Submissions to the Agenda, including those from delegations and Administration, shall be received by the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designate, no later than ten days preceding the meeting.
- c. Councillors wishing to add an item on the Regular Council Meeting or Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda must submit an "Agenda Item Request" form to Administration in order for Administration to prepare the Request for Decision (RFD) for Council consideration.

#### 6.1.2 Distribution

- a. Meeting Agendas, and all supporting materials, should be placed at the disposal of each member of Council, or Committee not later than 4:30 p.m. five (5) days prior to the meeting.
- b. The CAO, or their designate, shall post the Council or Council Committee Agendas on Greenview's public website and make copies of the agenda and supplementary materials available to the public (unless these must be, or may be, withheld under the *Municipal Government Act* or other legislation) five (5) days prior to the Meeting.

#### 6.1.3 Late Submissions

- a. Administrative reports and submissions received too late to be added to the regular Agenda shall be included on the next Council Agenda.
- b. In exceptional circumstances, at the discretion of the CAO or their designate, submissions received too late to be included in the regular Council Agenda may be presented at the meeting as an emergent business item.

#### 6.1.4 Additions or Deletions

- a. The addition or deletion of agenda items after the agenda has been published requires a resolution of Council.
- b. The addition or deletion of agenda items after the agenda has been adopted requires a unanimous vote of Council.

## 6.2 Order of Business

6.2.1 Council or Council Committee Meetings shall use the following order of business for meetings unless changed by unanimous consent:

- a. Call to Order
- b. Adoption of the Agenda
- c. Minutes
- d. Public Hearing
- e. Delegation
- f. Bylaws
- g. Business
- h. Members' Business Report
- i. Correspondence
- j. Closed Session
- k. Adjournment

## 6.3 Minutes

6.3.1 Minutes of all proceedings of Council and Committee Meetings shall be recorded in accordance with Sections 208 and 213 of the *Municipal Government Act*, and include:

- a. All decisions and other proceedings.
- b. The names of all Councillors or Members at large present at and absent from the meeting.
- c. The names of the Councillors, or members at large who vote for and against a motion when a recorded vote is taken.
- d. Resolutions to go into Closed Session and to adjourn the meeting.
- e. The sections of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* that apply to an item being discussed in "Closed Session".
- f. Any abstention made under the *Municipal Government Act* by any member and the general nature of the abstention.
- g. Any abstention made as a result of a pecuniary and the general nature of the abstention.
- h. The signatures of the Reeve or Chair.
- i. The names of the members of the public who speak to an item.

6.3.2 The minutes of each meeting must be circulated prior to the meeting at which they are to be adopted. If:

- a. There are errors or omissions, Council must pass a motion to amend the minutes as amended, or;
- b. There are no errors or omissions, Council must adopt the minutes as presented.

- 6.3.3 With the exception of any Closed Session portion of meetings, audio recordings shall be made of all Council and Committee of the Whole meetings. Should Council determine that video recordings be made of Council Meetings, these shall also exclude Closed Session portions of meetings.
- 6.3.4 Greenview Council Meetings and Committee of the Whole Meetings will be live streamed on Greenview's website and made available for the public to access whenever possible.
- 6.3.5 Regular Council meeting minutes shall be retained permanently by the municipality in the original form in a safe and secure place in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

## 7 Meeting Proceedings

### 7.1 Rules of Order, Conduct and Etiquette

#### 7.1.1 Role of the Chair

- a. As soon as there is quorum after the time for commencement of the meeting, the Chair will call meetings to order.
- b. The Chair will preserve order and decorum and decide all questions of procedure;
- c. When the Chair makes a decision on a question of procedure, except a Parliamentary Inquiry, they must provide a reason for their decision.
- d. If the Chair wishes to leave the chair for any reason, they must call upon the Deputy Reeve or Vice Chair to preside.
- e. Anyone who is not a Councillor or Member- At-Large is not allowed to cross the Council Bar to speak to any Member without the Reeve or Chair's permission.
- f. The Chair may call to order any Councillor or Member who is out of order.
- g. If the Reeve and Deputy Reeve, or Chair and Vice-Chair, are not present within thirty (30) minutes after the time set for the meeting, and a quorum is present, the CAO or their designate shall call the meeting to order, and a Member shall be chosen by the Members present to Chair the meeting.
- h. Upon the arrival of the Reeve or Deputy Reeve, or Chair or Vice-Chair, they shall resume their role as Chair.

#### 7.1.2 Quorum

- a. Quorum will consist of a simple majority of Members.
- b. If there is not a quorum within thirty (30) minutes after the set time for the meeting, the CAO or their designate shall record the names of the members present and the meeting shall be adjourned to the time of the next regular meeting.

- c. If at any time during a meeting, quorum is lost, the meeting shall be recessed and if a quorum is not achieved within fifteen (15) minutes, the meeting shall be deemed to be adjourned.
- 7.1.3 **Members of the Public during the meeting shall:**
  - a. Not approach or speak to Council or Committee without the permission of the Chair while the meeting has been called to order;
  - b. Not speak on any matter longer than fifteen (15) minutes unless permitted by the Chair;
  - c. Maintain order and quiet;
  - d. Not interrupt a speech or action of Council, Committee or another person addressing members;
  - e. Speak respectfully and must not use offensive language;
  - f. Head coverings are prohibited in Council Chambers except in cases where the head covering is worn for recognized medical or religious reasons.
- 7.1.4 **During a Meeting, Councillors and Board Members shall not:**
  - a. Speak disrespectfully, use offensive words, or un-parliamentary language;
  - b. Address Members without permission;
  - c. Break the rules of Council or Committee or disturb the proceedings;
  - d. Leave their seat or make any noise of disturbance while a vote is being taken, or the result declared; or
  - e. Disobey the decision of the Chair on any question or order, practice or interpretation.
- 7.1.5 **Breach of Conduct**
  - a. A Board Member or Councillor who persists in a breach of subsection 7.1.4, the Chair may request that the Deputy Reeve or in the case of a Committee, the Vice Chair, to move a motion to remove the unruly Member or Councillor from the remainder of the Meeting.
  - b. If the resolution passes, the Chair shall direct the Board Member or Councillor to leave the meeting.
  - c. Where the Chair has directed a Member to leave the meeting and the Member makes a satisfactory explanation and apology, the Members may, by resolution, allow the offending Member remain in, or return to the meeting.
  - d. The Chair may order a member of the public who creates a disturbance or acts inappropriately to be expelled from the meeting.

- 7.1.6 **Members Business Report**
  - a. Council Members should submit their Members business reports to Administration prior to the distribution of the Regular Council Meeting Agenda.
- 7.1.7 **Request for Information**
  - a. It is practice that Requests for Information regarding items on the Council meeting or Committee of the Whole meeting Agenda, should be submitted to the relevant member of the SLT no less than 3 days prior to the scheduled meeting in order to allow Administration time to prepare an answer.
- 7.2 **Debate**
  - 7.2.1 Debate is a formal discussion on a particular topic in a public meeting. Healthy debate is encouraged.
  - 7.2.2 The Chair will determine the speaking order when two or more Committee Members or Councillors wish to speak, subject to a challenge.
  - 7.2.3 Councillors or Members must address the Chair when speaking.
  - 7.2.4 Councillors or Members who have been assigned their turn to speak may only be interrupted:
    - a. When a Councillor or member is discussing a subject and there is no motion on the floor;
    - b. By a Call for Orders of the Day;
    - c. By a Point of Privilege;
    - d. By a Point of Order;
    - e. By an objection to the considered motion; or
    - f. By a Challenge.
  - 7.2.5 Each Councillor or Member will be given an opportunity to speak to a motion before it is put to a vote, unless a motion is passed to limit debate.
- 7.3 **Motions**
  - 7.3.1 **Consideration of Motions**
    - a. Unless otherwise determined by the Chair, no matter may be debated or voted on by Council unless it is in the form of a motion.



- 7.3.2 A Councillor may move a motion whether or not the Councillor intends to support it.
- 7.3.3 After a motion is moved, it can only be withdrawn by the person who made it.
- 7.3.4 Motions placed before Council do not require a seconder.
- 7.3.5 All motions shall be concise and provide clear direction for Administration.
- 7.3.6 Council will generally not make a decision on issues brought forward from delegations the first time they are heard. The item should be addressed in a motion to “accept for information.”
  - a. At the discretion of the Chair, motions of Council to immediately address the item may be brought forward.
- 7.3.7 Motions to the main motion.
- 7.3.8 When a motion is been made and is being considered, no Council Member may make another motion, except to:
  - a. Amend the motion;
  - b. Amend the amendment to the motion;
  - c. Refer the main motion for consideration; or
  - d. Move a motion that has privilege.
- 7.3.9 Privileged Motions include the following:
  - a. A motion to recess;
  - b. A motion to adjourn;
  - c. A motion to set a time for adjournment; or
  - d. A point of privilege
- 7.3.10 Motion to Recess:
  - a. The Chair, without a motion, may recess the meeting for a specific period.
  - b. Any Councillor may move that Council recess for a specific period;
  - c. After they recess, business will resume at the point where it was interrupted
- 7.3.11 Amending Motions:
  - a. A Councillor may, after a motion is made, with the consent of the original mover, make a friendly amendment to the motion. This involves minor changes to the wording of the motion where the change does not alter the intent of the motion.
  - b. Only one amendment to the main motion and only one amendment to that amendment are allowed.
  - c. The main motion will not be debated until all amendments to it have been voted on.
  - d. When all amendments have been voted on, the main motion, incorporating the amendments that have been adopted by Council, will be debated and voted on.

- 7.3.12 A Councillor may move to refer any motion to the appropriate Council Committee or Administration for investigation and report, and the motion to refer:
- a. Precludes all further amendments to the motion;
  - b. Is debatable;
  - c. May be amended only as to the body to which the motion is referred and the instructions on that referral.
- 7.3.13 A Councillor may move to defer any motion to another meeting at a later date. It should be specified a date at which the motion will be brought back to Council to address.
- 7.3.14 A Councillor may move to table any motion to be discussed later in that same meeting.
- a. A Motion to table cannot be debated
  - b. May only be amended as to the limit placed on debate;
- 7.3.15 A Motion to limit or end debate:
- a. Cannot be debated; and
  - b. May only be amended as to the limit placed on debate.
- 7.3.16 A Councillor may only introduce a motion asking Council to reconsider a matter dealt with in a previous motion if:
- a. The motion is made at the same meeting of Council at which the original matter was considered and is moved by a mover that voted with the prevailing result; or
  - b. A Notice of Motion is submitted prior to the meeting at which it is to be considered, in which the Councillor sets out what special or exceptional circumstances warrant Council considering the matter again;
  - c. The motion to which it is to apply has not already been acted upon; or
  - d. Six (6) months have passed since the motion was last considered.
  - e. If a motion to reconsider is passed, the original motion is on the floor.

#### 7.4 Voting

- 7.4.1 Each Council member present is required to vote in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

- 7.4.2 Unless otherwise specified under this Bylaw, a vote is carried when a majority of Members vote in favour of a motion.
  - 7.4.3 A motion is lost if the vote is tied.
  - 7.4.4 No Member shall leave the meeting after the question is put to a vote until the vote is taken.
  - 7.4.5 The Chair shall declare the result of the vote.
  - 7.4.6 Any Councillor may request a recorded vote.
  - 7.4.7 The Chair and the Recording Secretary shall ensure that each abstention and the reasons for the abstention are noted in the minutes of the Meeting.
  - 7.4.8 If a Councillor is absent from the whole of a Public Hearing, they shall not be entitled to vote on the matter and shall leave the Meeting after the question is put to a vote until the vote is taken.
  - 7.4.9 Once a vote is carried, or defeated, the decision of Council must be supported by all members.
- 7.5 Delegations
- 7.5.1 Any registered delegation wishing to appear before Council or Council Committee to address an agenda item not designated as a Public Hearing shall provide written notice to Administration prior to the agenda deadline. The request must identify the issue or topic to be addressed and any supporting documentation to be provided to Council.
  - 7.5.2 Delegations will be scheduled to present to Council at Committee of the Whole Meetings, unless otherwise directed by Council.
  - 7.5.3 Any person, group or delegation making a presentation shall state their name(s), and the purpose of their presentation.
  - 7.5.4 Delegations shall only discuss the matters which they have submitted to Council or the Council Committee and which have been included on the agenda.
  - 7.5.5 Delegations will generally be limited to fifteen (15) minutes for presentation or discussion, which can be extended or decreased at the discretion of the Chair.
  - 7.5.6 For each meeting, all delegations will be advised to attend the meeting at a time scheduled by Administration, and delegations will be heard by Council in the order in which they appear on the agenda, unless a Council Motion is made to alter the schedule.
  - 7.5.7 All delegates must address the Chair during their presentation. Delegates' conduct is subject to the rules of conduct provided within this bylaw and any other bylaw enacted by Council.
  - 7.5.8 Council will not receive delegations from parties which have, or may reasonably be expected to have, current or pending litigation or other legal proceedings involving Greenvew.

7.5.9 Delegations shall not address Council or Council Committees on the same subject matter more than once every six (6) months. This restriction shall not apply when Council, by resolution, invites a party to attend a Council meeting as a delegation.

## 7.6 Bylaws

7.6.1 All proposed Bylaws must have:

- a. A Bylaw number assigned; and
- b. A concise title indicating the purpose of the Bylaw.
- c. Three (3) separate and distinct readings

7.6.2 Council Members will be provided the opportunity to review a copy of the proposed Bylaw, in its entirety, prior to any motion for first reading.

7.6.3 Council shall hear an introduction of the proposed bylaw or resolution from administration prior to first reading.

7.6.4 When a bylaw is subject to a statutory public hearing, the public hearing shall be held prior to first reading.

7.6.5 After the first reading has been given, any Member may move that the bylaw be read a second time.

7.6.6 Any amendments to the bylaw that are carried prior to the vote on third reading shall be considered to have been given first and second reading and shall be incorporated into the proposed bylaw.

7.6.7 Once a bylaw has been passed, it may only be amended or repealed by another bylaw made in the same way as the original bylaw, unless another method is specifically authorized by this Bylaw or any other enactment.

7.6.8 A bylaw is effective from the date of the third reading unless the bylaw or any applicable statute provides for another effective date.

7.6.9 The Reeve and the CAO will sign the bylaw as soon as reasonably possible after third reading.

## 7.7 Policies

7.7.1 Draft policies shall be prepared by Administration and reviewed by the appropriate Council Committee before the policy is presented to Council for approval. Draft copies shall be included on the agenda package.

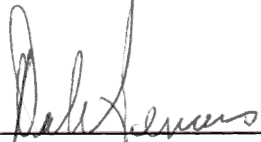
7.7.2 Upon being passed, a policy shall be signed by the Reeve or Chair of the meeting at which it was passed, and by the CAO.

8 This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon the day of final passing.

Read a first time the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.


Read a second time this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

Read a third time and passed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.



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Reeve



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Chief Administrative Officer



**BYLAW NO. 20-846**  
**of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16**

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**A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16, in the Province of Alberta to amend Bylaw 19-809 “Procedural Bylaw”.**

**WHEREAS**, under the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A 2000, Chapter M-26, Section 191(1) the power to pass a bylaw includes a power to amend or repeal a bylaw.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Council of the M.D. of Greenview No. 16, duly assembled in the Province of Alberta, hereby amends the following:

1. This bylaw shall be cited as the “Procedural Bylaw Amendment”.
2. Section 5.6.2.a. is amended by removing “with at least half the Members present in person at the actual meeting place”.
3. Section 6.2.1 is amended:
  - a. Section i. “Correspondence” is removed and replaced with “Notice of Motion”.
  - b. Section h. “Member’s Business Report” is moved under “Closed Session”.
4. The revised Order of Business is attached hereto as Schedule A.

This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon the day of final passing

Read a first time this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Read a second time this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Read a third time and passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.



**BYLAW NO. 20-846  
of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16**

**Schedule A – Revised Order of Business**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Adoption of the Agenda
- c. Minutes
- d. Public Hearing
- e. Delegation
- f. Bylaws
- g. Business
- h. Notice of Motion
- i. Closed Session
- j. Members' Business Report
- k. Adjournment