

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SMOKY RIVER NO. 130, HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FALHER, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2008

PRESENT:
Reeve: Donald Dumont
Councillors: André Trudeau
Donald Gosselin
Luc Desaulniers
Robert Brochu
Richard Aubin
Municipal Administrator : Lucien Turcotte
Recording Secretary : Lynn Pelé
Smoky River Express Reporter : Emily Plihal

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Dumont at 10:05 a.m.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

080501 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the agenda as presented with the addition of the following:

- Fire Hall
- Letter of Support – RCMP
- Letter of Support – M.D. of Greenview
- Awarding of Tender – Lucas Bridge
- Capital Purchases
- M.S.I. Projects
- Donnelly Pipeline

Carried.

MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

080502 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, the minutes of the regular meeting held April 9th, 2008 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MINUTES OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The minutes of the last High Prairie School Division #48, Smoky River Regional Economic Development Board, Smoky River Community Adult Learning and Literacy Council and the Committee of the Whole meetings were circulated as information to Council.

080503 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held April 29th, 2008 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MONTHLY AND BUDGET REPORTS

080504 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, the monthly and budget reports for the month of April 2008 were approved.

Carried.

POWERLINE EXTENSION – LSD 6-30-76-22-W5M

080505 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council granted approval to ATCO Electric for a powerline extension in LSD 6-30-76-22-W5M for Breaker Energy with the following condition:

- That the power pole on Township Road 770 and Range Road 230 be 30 metres from the intersection.

Carried.

SUBDIVISION – NE 36-79-21-W5M

- 080506 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the NE 36-79-21-W5M for a farmstead separation for Donald and Yvonne Chabot subject to the following conditions:
- all outstanding property taxes are paid in full, and
 - a Developer's Agreement is entered into with the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130.
- Carried.

SUBDIVISION – SE 20-77-24-W5M

- 080507 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the SE 20-77-24-W5M for a farmstead separation for Anna Belyan on behalf of the Wakaluk estate subject to the following conditions:
- all outstanding property taxes are paid in full,
 - a Developer's Agreement is entered into with the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130, and
 - access to the balance of the quarter section to be installed at the developer's expense.
- Carried.

2008 PUBLIC WORKS UNDERTAKINGS

- 080508 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the 2008 public works undertakings as presented including 230 miles of gravel under the RTG program for \$943,000.00 and various works constructed under the AMIP program in the amount of \$452,000.00.
- Carried.

2008 MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BUDGET

- 080509 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approve the 2008 Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 budget as presented in the amount of \$15,596,865.00.
- Carried.

BYLAW NO. 791 – Establishing Rates of Taxation

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 in the Province of Alberta to authorize the rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property for the 2008 taxation year.

- 080510 First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Aubin.
Carried.
- 080511 Second Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Desaulniers.
Carried.
- 080512 Councillor Trudeau moved that Bylaw No. 791 receive Third and Final Reading at this time.
Carried Unanimously.
- 080513 Councillor Gosselin moved that It receive Third Reading and be Finally Passed.
Carried.

WEED INSPECTORS AND PEST CONTROL INSPECTORS

- 080514 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council, in accordance with Section 5 of the Weed Control Act and Section 10(1) of the Agricultural Pest Act, appointed Raymond Rey, Katherine Clifford and Darrel Fiddick as weed inspectors and pest control inspectors for the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 for the 2008 season.

Carried.

McLENNAN REQUEST – Road Name

- 080515 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council granted permission to the Town of McLennan to name the road west and south of NE 28-77-19-W5M as 8th Street East.

Carried.

GALLEON ROAD ALLOWANCE DEVELOPMENT – Twp Rd 774

- 080516 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council granted approval to Galleon Energy to construct a road along Township Road 774 from Range Road 240 east for 1.8 km with the following conditions:
- 8 m top, 2½:1 slide slopes, flat bottom ditch, 3:1 back slopes,
 - as-builts to be supplied to our municipality upon completion, and
 - entire project to be constructed at developer's expense including gravelling.

Carried.

DELEGATION – Smoky River Water Co-op

- 080517 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council tabled this delegation to the next regular meeting.

Carried.

FIRE HALL

Council reviewed alternative locations for constructing a fire hall and alternative services available for each location.

- 080518 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council agreed to apply for a Community Initiatives Program grant for the purchase of a compressed air foam system to be placed on a rapid attack unit.

Carried.

Councillor Brochu entered the meeting at 10:50 am.LETTER OF SUPPORT – M.D. of Greenview

- 080519 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council agreed to send a letter of support for the M.D. of Greenview's proposed mobile training facility project.

Carried.

LETTER OF SUPPORT – RCMP

- 080520 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council agreed to send a letter of support to the R.C.M.P. for their Annual Performance Plan.

Carried.

AWARDING OF TENDER – Lucas' Bridge

- 080521 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council awarded the contract for repairs to Bridge File #71271 (Lucas' Bridge) to Ardy Rigging Ltd. of Valleyview, Alberta in the amount of \$45,920.00 plus G.S.T. and subject to Alberta Transportation's approval.
- Carried.

CAPITAL PURCHASES FOR PUBLIC WORKS

- 080522 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council approved the purchase of a utility trailer from Emile Bourgeois in the amount of \$5,200.00 plus G.S.T.
- Carried.

Council was advised that prices will be obtained for a new highway tractor truck and will be shared with Council at the next regular meeting.

MUNICIPAL SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE

- 080523 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the following applications for MSI funding:
- McLennan/Peavine Connector Road: \$200,000 (*capital*)
 - Purchase of Highway Truck: \$150,000 (*capital*)
 - Completion of Chalet Construction \$55,000 (*capital*)
 - Engineering of Fire Hall \$120,000 (*capital*)
 - Economic Development Operation \$64,930 (*operational*)
 - Carpet and Council Room Audio/Visual \$66,000 (*operational*)
 - Ski Hill Operating \$80,000 (*operational*)
 - Repairs to Shop Roof \$10,000 (*operational*)
- Carried.

DONNELLY PIPELINE

- 080524 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council granted access to the Water Commission for utility right-of-way on our municipality's property at the Ag Fair Grounds (Lot 3, Block B, Plan 8520275) with compensation rates at \$4,237.50.
- Carried.

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES' REPORT

The Director of Agricultural Services' Report was reviewed by Council and included an overview of the following items:

- Staffing
- Roadside Spray Request Form
- A.S.B. Meeting
- Program Operations

- 080525 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved the Director of Agricultural Services' Report as presented.
- Carried.

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES' REPORT

The Director of Protective Services' Report was reviewed by Council and included an overview of the following items:

- Call Volume
- Numbers and Types of Calls
- Volunteer Hours
- McLennan EOC
- Disaster Planning Course
- Rapid Attack Unit

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES' REPORT - continued

- Grant Applications
- PCH Child Fair
- School Presentation
- Meeting with McLennan – Fire Department Future
- Portable Training Facility
- Fire Hall
- Inspections
- “New” Truck
- TDG and WHMIS for ASB/SARDA Staff
- DG/Tech Trailer

080526 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved the Director of Protective Services' Report as presented.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS' REPORT

The Director of Operations' Report was reviewed by Council and included an overview of the following items:

- Truckfill Returns
- Monthly Equipment Costs
- Monthly Downtime
- Bridge File 70802 – Bremont's Bridge
- Trailer Purchase for Skid Steer
- Demo Loaders
- 2008 Graveling Program
- Creek Crossings on Private Land
- Purchase of a Highway Tractor
- BF 71271 Lucas' Bridge

080527 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the Director of Operations' report was approved as presented.

Carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Turcotte reported to Council on the following matters:

- FCM Conference
- 2008 AAMD&C Fall Convention
- Meeting With Greenview
- Health Professional Recruitment – Big Lakes Invitation
- Proposed Fire Station
- Building Canada Program
- Procedure for Debentures

080528 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the Administrator's report was approved as presented.

Carried.

COUNCILLORS' CONCERNS

- Northern Sunrise County/Economic Development at Rural Matters Conference
- PREDA Annual General Meeting Attendance
- Water Co-op Hook-Up Waiting List

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was brought to Council for their consideration:

- 1) Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties
 - Contact Newsletter
 - Executive Highlights
 - District Highlights
 - Amendment to Commercial Vehicle Regulation
 - Reeves/Mayors Meeting Minutes
 - Elected Officials Education Program
 - Hotel Registration for Fall 2008 Convention Now Open
 - Call for Nominees: R.W. Hay Award
 - Photographs Needed for Commemorative Book
 - Resolution 7-07F Petition: Surface Water and Ground Water Used for Injection Flooding of Oil Fields
 - Government Announces Unprecedented Spending in Budget 2008
 - Advocacy Report Card: Spring 2008
 - 2008 Scholarship Call for Nominees
 - Call for Staff Input: Municipal Careers Marketing Strategy
 - Capital Region Board Regulation Released
 - Equitable Economics: Inter-municipal Financial Partnerships
 - Building on Strength: The AAMDC Strategic Plan
 - Request for Input: Navigable Waters Protection Act
 - Spring 2008 Convention
- 2) Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation
 - GAP Funding for Bridge File 70802
- 3) Alberta Municipal Affairs and Housing
 - 2008 Education Property Tax
- 4) Federation of Canadian Municipalities
 - Survey Shows Canadians Want Federal Support for Cities and Communities
- 5) Municipal District of Greenview
 - Funding for Purchase of Helmets at Ski Hill
- 6) Chris Warkentin, MP
 - Navigable Waters Protection Act
- 7) Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks & Wildlife Foundation
 - 2008 Municipal Recreation/Tourism Area Grant
- 8) Peace Country Health
 - Universal Design: Buildings Made for Everyone
 - High Prairie Health Complex New Facility Update
 - Quick News: Board Highlights
 - Peace Country Health: In Your Community
- 9) Northern Alberta Elected Leaders
 - Minutes of a Meeting
- 10) Bills for Payment
- 11) ASB Correspondence

ADJOURNMENT

080529

On motion of Reeve Dumont, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.

Carried.

Reeve

Municipal Administrator