

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SMOKY RIVER NO. 130, HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FALHER, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2008

PRESENT:
Reeve: Donald Dumont
Councillors: Robert Brochu
Donald Gosselin
Luc Desaulniers
Andre Trudeau
Richard Aubin
Acting Administrator: Lucien Turcotte
Recording Secretary: Rita Therriault
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

- 080901 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved the agenda with the following addition:
- A) Canada Alberta Water Supply Expansion Program
 - Whitemud Water Supplies
 - B) Historical & Genealogical Society
- Carried.

MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

- 080902 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the minutes of the regular meeting held August 13th, 2008 were approved as presented.
- Carried.

MINUTES OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The minutes of the Smoky River Economic Development meeting of September 2nd, minutes of Board of Trustee of the High Prairie School Division No.48 meeting of August 20th, minutes of the Smoky River Tourist Association meeting of June 3rd, were circulated as information to Council.

MONTHLY AND BUDGET REPORTS

- 080903 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the monthly and budget reports for the month of August 2008 were approved as presented.
- Carried.

POWER LINE EXTENSION – for service upgrade

- 080904 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved ATCO Electric power line extension on the NE 08-79-20-W5M for on behalf of Dorine Bouchard.
- Carried.

SUBDIVISION – NE 18-80-22-W5M

- 080905 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approve the subdivision in the NE 18-80-22-W5M for a farmstead separation for Henri & Linda Aubin subject to conditions.
- Carried.

SUBDIVISION – SE 03-81-22-W5M

- 080906 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council approve the subdivision in the SE 03-81-22-W5M as submitted. Carried.

PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS – 3rd quarter

- 080907 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council approve the payment to Councillors for the 3rd quarter. Carried.

2008 A.A.M.D. & C. FALL CONVENTION

- 080908 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approve that all members of Council, CAO and Director of Operations attend the 2008 Fall Convention. Carried.

2008 MUNICIPAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

- 080909 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Be it resolved that Council authorizes the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 to participate in a Municipal Sponsorship Program grant application for the Implementation of a Municipal Infrastructure Management System under the Alberta Municipal Affairs Municipal Sponsorship Program; further

That the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 agrees that the Municipal District of Smoky River be designated the managing partner of the Implementation of a Municipal Infrastructure Management System for the purpose of applying, receiving, allocating, reporting and accounting for the grant funds on behalf of the partner; further

The Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 agrees to allocate 72% of its Municipal Sponsorship Program base grant to the Implementation of a Municipal Infrastructure Management System; and further

That the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 agrees to enter into a Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds if it is the managing partner, or it not agrees to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement signed by the managing partner on behalf of the other eligible municipal partners governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.”

Carried.

- 080910 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers“ Be it resolved that Council authorizes the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 to participate in a Municipal Sponsorship Program grant application for the Falher Regional Swimming Pool Improvements Project under the Alberta Municipal Affairs Municipal Sponsorship Program; further

That the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 agrees that the Town of Falher be designated the managing partner of the Falher Regional Swimming Pool Improvements Project for the purpose of applying, receiving, allocating, reporting and accounting for the grant funds on behalf of the partner; further

The Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 agrees to allocate 28% of its Municipal Sponsorship Program base grant to the Falher

Regional Swimming Pool Improvements Project; and further

That the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 agrees to enter into a Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds if it is the managing partner, or it not agrees to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement signed by the managing partner on behalf of the other eligible municipal partners governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.”

Carried

2009 FCSS PROGRAM FUNDING

Council received information that FCSS program grant funding increased in 2008 which has to be matched 20% by the municipalities.

DELEGATION – TELUS – Gary Mielke

Mr Gary Mielke Sr Regulatory Advisor, Mr Rick Spangler Director Network Operations and Mr Monty Haughian Engineer Technician responsible for our area attended the meeting to discuss the MD policy on Fibre Optic Cable in the municipal right of way and the Telus Municipal Consent & Access Agreement.

080911 On motion by Councillor Brochu, that council table the mater to next meeting.

Carried.

Smoky River Express Reporter Emily Plihal left the meeting at 11:45 am.

CANADA ALBERTA WATER SUPPLY EXPENSION PROGRAM

080912 On motion of councillor Aubin, that the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 hereby be authorized to enter into the Contribution Agreement with her Majesty the Queen in the Right of Canada, as represented by the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, for the Canada Alberta Water Supply Expansion Program; that Donald Dumont, Reeve and Lucien Turcotte, CAO are hereby authorized to sign and execute the Article of Agreement necessary to give affect to the same on behalf of the Organization.

Carried.

HISTORICAL & GENELOGICAL SOCIETY 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Council will be represented for the Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Smoky River Historical & Genealogical Society.

LUNCH

080913 On motion of Reeve Dumont, Council recessed for lunch at 12:25 pm and reconvened at 1:15 pm.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES' REPORT

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

- From Last Council Meeting

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES' REPORT- continued

- Spraying Program Update
- Weed Control Act
- Pesticide Container Collection
- Alberta Agriculture & Food – ASB Funding Program
- General Ag Service Board Correspondence
- ASA Program
- Clubroot – clean equipment on agreements

- 080914 On motion of Councillor Aubin that council give \$200 to sponsor the Women's Conference in Grande Prairie.
Carried.
- 080915 On motion of Reeve Dumont, that council agrees to present a resolution at the Alberta's Agricultural Service Board Fall Conference, November 5, 2008 to request that Alberta Agriculture and Food review the current Agricultural Service Board Grant Program, thereby increasing funds available, to help offset the effect of inflation. Councillor Aubin will second the motion that the ASB convention.
Carried.
- 080916 On motion by councillor Aubin that council grant Normand Boulet one day special leave.
Carried
- 080917 On motion by councillor Aubin that council grant 3.5 hours for special leave to Raymond Rey.
Carried
- 080918 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council approved the Director of Agricultural Services' Report as presented.
Carried.

DELEGATION – David Kane Smoky Rive Economic Development

David Kane the new Economic Development Officer (EDO) attended the meeting to introduce himself and bring council up to date on the ongoing projects.

- Visiting business
- Day Care – funding available
- McLennan/Peavine Road
- PREDA
- Partnership grant

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
- New truck 1401 in service
- High Prairie Response Agreement
- Truck 1406 booked for paint and body work
- Rescue trailer completed - displayed to industry reps
- Agency Meeting – Monday September 8th

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES' REPORT - continued

- New Fire Hall – Bearden Drawings – Land Purchase
- Speed Sentry Warranty
- Freightliner and IH for rapid attack unit
- Taking off some overtime
- Billing issues

080919 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved the Director of Protective Services' Report as presented.

Carried.

Councillor Gosselin joins the meeting at 2:55 pmDIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS' REPORT

Director of Operations, Clem Guenette, presented his report to Council with an overview of the following items:

- Truckfill Returns
- Monthly Equipment Costs
- Monthly Downtime
- 2008 Graveling Program
- Maisonneuve Farm Invoice
- Gravel Crushing
- MSI Funding
- McLennan To Peavine Road
- 2008 AMIP
- Picker truck

080920 On motion of Councillor Brochu, that council table's payment to Maisonneuve Farms invoice, for crop damages, until next regular meeting pending further investigation by division councillor.

3 for
2 against
Carried

080921 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approves the award of the crushing contract to Indyrock Holdings Ltd for 45,000 m³ gravel in the amount of \$740,000.00.

Carried

080922 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, the Director of Operations' report was approved as presented.

Carried.

Council discussed the purchase of a truck with winch and picker for the public works section. Budget of \$120,000 to the Public Works Director towards a purchase of the truck at an auction sale was agreed upon. Council also agreed to the sale of the 1980 CAT 950 Loader for \$40,000 plus GST to PERMALTA Ltd.

COUNCILLORS CONCERNS

- Road sustainability
- Road gravelling at harvest time
- Gilbert Demeule – drainage ditch
- Trail in conservation area McLennan access

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Turcotte reported to Council on the following matters:

- Payment to Councillors
- Landfill Hours/Days
- Telus 2004 Amended Assessment
- Regional Meeting
- Promotional Items
- Tangible Capital Assets
- October 29 MD of Greenview meeting with council
- Ski Hill Manager
- Traffic violation report
- Development permit for Cargill
- Tolko, Public Advisory Group – meeting September 29
- Whitemud Community Association - insurance

080923 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council agreed to open the landfill site from 2 pm to 7 pm on Wednesdays for the month of September.

Carried.

080924 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council appoints Donald Gosselin as representative on the Tolko Advisory Group committee.

Carried.

Council discussed expenditure over \$1,000 for the Ski Hill needs be approved by administration supervisor.

080925 On motion of Councillor Brochu, the Administrator's report was approved as presented.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was brought to Council for their consideration:

- 1) Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties
 - Contact Newsletter
 - Member Bulletins
 - Minister Meeting Summary
 - District Highlights
 - Zone Letters
- 2) Town of Falher
 - Purchase of Land
 - Closure of 1st Street
- 3) Alberta Municipal Affairs – Minister Danyluk
 - Municipal Sustainability Initiative for Fire Hall
 - Municipal Sustainability Initiative for Large Truck
 - Municipal Sustainability Initiative for Peavine Road
 - Municipal Dispute Resolution Initiatives Workshops

CORRESPONDENCE - continued

- 4) Peace Country Health
 - In Your Community – News from McLennan
- 5) Chris Warkentin, MP Peace River
 - Response to Agriculture Disaster Area Declaration
- 6) Alberta Employment and Immigration – Minister Goudreau
 - A Tool Box of Ideas for Smaller Centers
- 7) Alberta Transportation – Minister Ouellette
 - Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program
- 8) Smoky River Agricultural Society
 - Cook Book
- 9) Finning Publication
 - Track & Treads
- 10) Federation of Canadian Municipalities
 - Members Advisory
- 11) Peace Region Economic Development Alliance
 - Member's Report
- 12) Bills for Payment

ADJOURNMENT

080926

On motion of Reeve Dumont, the meeting adjourned at 5:07 pm.

Carried.

Reeve

Municipal Administrator