

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SMOKY RIVER NO. 130, HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FALHER, ALBERTA, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2009

PRESENT: Reeve: Donald Dumont
Councillors: Robert Brochu
Donald Gosselin
Richard Aubin
Andre Trudeau
Absent: Luc Desaulniers
Acting Administrator: Rita Therriault
Recording Secretary: Lynn Skrepnek
Smoky River Express Reporter: Susan Thompson

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Dumont at 9:09 a.m.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

090901 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the agenda as presented.
Carried.

IN-CAMERA

090902 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council agreed to go into camera at 9:12 a.m. to discuss personnel issues.
Carried.

090903 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council went out of camera at 9:35 a.m.
Carried.

PERSONNEL ISSUES

090904 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved to payout 8 days of holidays to Employee #1.
Carried.

090905 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved a bonus of \$2000.00 to Employee #292 for Acting as Administrator.
Carried.

MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

090906 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council amended motion 090809, Graveling on Dirt Roads, of August 12th, 2009 minutes changing the wording to read "...a maximum allocation of 2 miles per calendar year..."
4 For.
1 Opposed.
Carried.

090907 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the minutes of the regular meeting held August 12th, 2009 were approved as amended.
Carried.

MINUTES OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The following minutes and reports were circulated as information to Council:

- Family and Community Support Services, Monthly Report
- Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties Zone 4, minutes of August 14th, 2009 in Dixonville
- Smoky River Regional Economic Development minutes of September 8th, 2009

MONTHLY AND BUDGET REPORTS

090908 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, the monthly and budget reports for the month of August 2009 were approved as presented.

Carried.

POWER LINE EXTENSION – New Service

090909 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved an ATCO Electric power line extension to the Twilight Brethren Colony subject to the following condition: that the extension crosses Township Road 750 at Range Road 224 on the west side of the intersection into NE 31-74-22-W5M continuing east to NE 32-74-22-W5M.

Carried.

BYLAW NO. 814 – Borrowing – Physician Recruitment House

A Bylaw authorizing the Council of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 in the Province of Alberta to incur indebtedness by the issuance of promissory note in the amount of \$138,375 for the purpose of purchasing a Physician Recruitment and Retention House in McLennan on Lot B, Block 1, Plan 0724085 in a joint Mortgage with the Towns of McLennan and Falher and the Villages of Donnelly and Girouxville. The Town of McLennan is designated as the managing municipality and will be the main contact for the purpose of the said project.

090910 First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Aubin.

Carried.

BRIDGE FILE 70802-09 – Tender Opening

090911 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council awarded the contract for Bridge File #70802-09 to Northsite Contractor Ltd. at a cost of \$121,804.

Carried.

SUBDIVISION – NW 26-75-21-W5M

090912 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the NW 26-75-21-W5M for a farmstead separation for Mrs. Angelina Jasmin 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 is installed by the developer, if required.

Carried.

SUBDIVISION – NE 7-79-22-W5M

- 090913 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the NE 7-79-22-W5M for a farmstead separation for Mr. Donald Bonnamour 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 – NE 2-78-20-W5M

- 090914 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the NE 2-78-20-W5M for an agricultural severance for Mr. & Mrs. Andre & Irene Gauthier 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 is installed by the developer, if required.

Carried.

PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS – 3rd quarter

- 090915 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the payment to Councillors for the 3rd quarter.

Carried.

2009 A.A.M.D. & C. FALL CONVENTION

- 090916 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved that all members of Council, CAO and Director of Operations attend the 2009 Fall Convention.

Carried.

DELEGATION – Smoky River Water Co-operative Ltd.

Delegations from the Smoky River Water Co-op attended the meeting to discuss and update Council on the proposed and approved construction lines for Phase VII.

Councillor Trudeau requested a recorded vote.

- 090917 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council approved the allocation of \$150,000.00 from the 2010 Budget to the Smoky River Water Co-operative Ltd Phase 7 of the expansion located South East of Guy.

For: Reeve Dumont,
Councillor Brochu
Councillor Gosselin
Opposed: Councillor Trudeau
Councillor Aubin

Carried.

DELEGATION – Smoky River Water Co-operative Ltd - continued

090918

On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved that an application, under the from New Deal for Cities and Communities program, for the New Booster Station for the hamlet of Guy, as engineered by FOCUS, be sent to Alberta Transportation.

4 For.
1 Opposed.

Carried.

COUNCILLORS CONCERNS

- Mowing of Blind Corners
- Data to spray what was brushed is it up to date
- New Phone System

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES' REPORT

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

- Spraying Program Update
- Mowing Program Update
- Weed Control Act
- Incinerator
- ASB Regional Conference – October 16, 2009
- Beef Marketing Opportunities and Strategies Meetings
- Capturing Feed Grain & Forage Opportunities Conference
- Teleconference Calls
- Update from the last Council Meeting
- Upcoming Meetings & Events

090919

On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the Director of Agricultural Services' Report as presented.

Carried.

DIRECTOR 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
- 2009 Graveling Program
- Peavine Flood Control Drainage Project
- B.F. 70802 (Bremont's Bridge)
- Sale of Theodolite
- Equipment in Auction
- 2009 AMIP – Project 52 – Falher to Girouxville Market Road
- New Mechanic Hired

090920

On motion of Councillor Brochu, the Director of Operations' report was approved 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:

- Joint Fire Quality Management Program (QMP) Revision
- E911/Dispatch Services Provider

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES' REPORT – continued

- Fire By-Law Review
- Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG's)
- Professional Development / Education
- M.D. of Smoky River and Birch Hills County Mutual Aid Agreement

090921 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the Director of Protective Services' Report as submitted.

Carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Director of Corporate Services Rita Therriault presented the Administrator's Report to Council addressing the following matters:

- Proclamation: Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month
- Rail Spur at UFA Diesel Fuel Facility-Kathleen
- Smoky River Regional Council Committee
- 2009 Sponsorship Program
- Christmas Party
- Ski Hill
- Fire Hall
- Water Commission Access Road
- Local Authority Pension Plan
- Municipal Dispute Resolution – Let's Resolve - Workshops
- McLennan Tourism Society
- Proclamation "Day of the Honey Bee"
- True Sport Movement
- Community Responding to Human Needs
- Subdivision at NW 9 77 21 W5th
- Alberta Environment – meeting at AAMD&C fall conference
- Guy Donnelly Sportex Presentation

090922 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council proclaimed May 29th, 2010 as the "Day of the Honey Bee".

Carried

090923 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, the Administrator's report was approved as presented by the Director of Corporate Services, Rita Therriault.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was brought to Council for their consideration:

- 1) Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties
 - Contact Newsletters – Issue 33, 34 & 35
 - Partners in Trade – August 2009
- 2) Alberta Municipal Affairs
 - "Early Birds" Submission of 2008 Financial Information Return & Financial Statements
 - 2009 Approved MSI Funding – Land for New Fire Hall
 - 2009 Approved MSI Funding – Fire Department, Tube Run & Economic Development
 - 2009 Approved MSI Funding – Ski Chalet
 - 2009 Approved MSI Funding – Mack Gravel Truck

CORRESPONDENCE - continued

- Municipal Dispute Resolution Workshops
 - Alberta Electoral Boundaries Review
- 3) Alberta Health Services
 - Health Matters – Sept. 9, 2009
 - Checkup Newsletter - Alberta Health Services Update – September 2009
 - 4) Alberta Environment
 - A.A.M.D. & C. Fall 2009 Convention Meetings
 - 5) Alberta Transportation
 - New Deal Approved Funding
 - 6) McLennan Tourism Society
 - Charity Golf Tournament
 - 7) Jean Cote 75th Anniversary Committee
 - Invitation – July 2, 3 & 4, 2010
 - 8) Clinton Shane Ekdahl
 - Proclamation – “Day of the Honey Bee”
 - 9) Integrated Life Care Inc.
 - Community Picnic and Welcoming of the Gazebo
 - 10) True Sport
 - Join “True Sport Movement”
 - 11) Northwest Corridor Development Corporation
 - In The Corridor Newsletter – August 2009
 - “One Mind, One Heart, One Corridor” – 2009 Conference/AGM Update
 - 11) Municipal District of Northern Lights No. 22
 - Bill 202 – Municipal Auditor General
 - 12) Northern Sunrise County
 - Bill 202 – Municipal Auditor General
 - 13) Municipal District of Big Lakes No. 125
 - Fall 2009 Newsletter
 - 14) County of Grande Prairie No. 1
 - STARS Air Ambulance Service Funding
 - 15) County of Thorhild No. 7
 - Announcement – Passing of Reeve Henry Zolkewski
 - 16) Communities Responding to Human Needs
 - Proclamation – Restorative Justice Week 2009
 - 17) Elected Officials Education Program
 - Negotiation Skills
 - 18) Bills for Payment

ADJOURNMENT

090924

On motion of Reeve Dumont, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

Carried.

 Reeve

 Municipal Administrator