

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SMOKY RIVER NO. 130, HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FALHER, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010

PRESENT:

Reeve: Donald Dumont
Councillors: Robert Brochu
Luc Desaulniers
Richard Aubin
André Trudeau
absent Donald Gosselin
Municipal Administrator: Lucien Turcotte
Recording Secretary: Rita Therriault

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Dumont at 10:11 a.m.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

- 100301 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the agenda as presented with the addition of the following:
- RCMP – delegation 1:30 pm
 - PREDA

Carried.

MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

- 100302 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, the minutes of the regular meeting held February 10th, 2010 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MINUTES OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The minutes of the last Smoky River Regional Economic Development Board meeting was circulated as information to Council.

MONTHLY AND BUDGET REPORTS

- 100303 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the monthly and budget reports for the month of February 2010 were approved.

Carried.

USE OF ROAD ALLOWANCE – W OF SEC. 11-75-22-W5

Galleon Energy has decided not to pursue access to the road allowance and therefore withdraw their request to Council.

Closed road allowance, W of 11-75-22 W5M is to be investigated for reopening.

PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS

- 100304 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council approved payment to Councillors for the first quarter of 2010.

Carried.

FIRE GUARDIANS – Appointment of

100305

On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council appointed the Regional Fire Chief, Gerald Lanctot and Dave Gervais as fire guardians for the 2010 fire season.

Carried.

BYLAW NO. 820 – Purchase of a 2010 Tenco Sander

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 in the Province of Alberta to provide for the purchase of a 2010 Tenco Sander.

100306

First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Aubin.

Carried.

100307

Second Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Trudeau.

Carried.

100308

Councillor Brochu moved that Bylaw No. 820 receive Third and Final Reading at this time.

Carried Unanimously.

100309

Councillor Desaulniers moved that it receive Third Reading and be Finally Passed.

Carried.

BYLAW NO. 821 – Appointment of Assessor

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 in the Province of Alberta to appoint Alan McNaughton, assessor of Compass Assessment, as designated officer.

100310

First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Aubin.

Carried.

100311

Second Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Brochu.

Carried.

100312

Councillor Desaulniers moved that Bylaw No. 820 receive Third and Final Reading at this time.

Carried Unanimously.

100313

Councillor Trudeau moved that it receive Third Reading and be Finally Passed.

Carried.

ELECTION ISSUES – Appointment of Returning Officer

100314

On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council appointed Rita Therriault as Returning Officer for the 2010 municipal elections as per Section 13 of the Local Authorities Election Act, who will assigned voting subdivisions for Divisions 1 and 5 as needed as per section 36(1) of the Local Authorities Election Act, and established an advance poll, as per section 73(1), to be held at the Municipal Office on Thursday, October 14, 2010 from 10 am to 2 pm.

Carried.

HIGH PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIVISION – Election Agreement

- 100315 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council agreed to enter into an agreement with the High Prairie School Division #48 for the purpose of running a joint election for 2010 as per Section 2(2) of the Local Authorities Election Act.

Carried.

FIRE FIGHTING INVOICE – R. Hebert/N. Roussel

- 100316 On motion of Reeve Dumont, Council agreed to cancel 50% from invoice #20551 for Rene Hebert & Nancy Roussel for a structure fire.

3 for
2 opposed
Carried.

DELEGATION – Daniel Dion

Dan Dion representing Donnelly Corner Development Group met with Council to discuss the following items:

- Current status on development
- Access to Donnelly Corner
- Infrastructure grants and funding
- Development prospect

PREDA – Peace Region Economic Development Association

Councillor Aubin reported on the Northern Alberta Development Corporation (NADC) meeting he attended which Bob Hall of Peace River Economic Development Association explained his organization's mandate and programs.

LUNCH

- 100317 On motion of Reeve Dumont, Council recessed for lunch at 11:57 pm and reconvened at 1:34 pm.

Carried.

DELEGATION - RCMP

Sgt. Kyle Palfy met with Council to discuss the following;

- Overall detachment statistics
- Study on how many members the McLennan detachment should have should be out shortly
- Integrated RCMP patrol and Sheriff units
- Road Safety Vision 20/10
- School lockers search
- MD's concern

SKI HILL MANAGER'S REPORT

Ski Hill Manager Clem Bourgeois reported to Council on the following:

- Hill condition
- Tube Park
- Skier Count

SKI HILL MANAGER'S REPORT - continued

- Revenue to Date
- Injuries
- Grant funding
- Snow cat replacement
- Gift certificate
- TV-satellite
- Waiver form
- Staff Day

100318

On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved the Ski Hill Manager's Report.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES' REPORT

Director of Agricultural Services, Normand Boulet, presented his report to Council with an overview of the following items:

- Fusarium Management Plan
- Alberta Weed Survey
- Weed Inspector and Spray Crew Workshops
- Plant Inspection
- ARD's Crop Choice\$ software
- Variable Rate Technology
- Upcoming Meetings
- White Cockle Infestations
- New Weed Control Act
- "New" Spray Truck
- Alberta Agriculture Crop Reporting Survey Report

100319

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

Carried.

COUNCILLORS' CONCERNS

- None

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
- Brushing and Burning
- McLennan – Peavine Road
- Power to Impose and Remove Road Bans
- Additional Operating Days at Landfills
- Unauthorized Ditching on SE 11-80-20-W5
- Road at leading to Aubin erosion
- Dust Control on Tower Road North of Falher
- Proposal of the Peavine Drainage ditch
- Fire Department – Tanker Truck
- Access to the Gravel pits in Watino

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS' REPORT - continued

- 100320 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council delegated the authority to impose and remove road bans to the Director of Operations for 2010.
- 4 for
1 opposed
Carried.
- 100321 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:

- Payment to Councillors
- Administrator's Refresher Course
- 2010 A.A.M.D. & C. Spring Convention
- Regional Council Meeting – March 2, 2010
- Council Committee Meeting
- Law Seminar
- Staff Family Day – Ski Hill
- Fire Invoice – Nevin Elliot
- A.A.M.D. & C. Committee Meeting
- AMA different courses
- 2010 Alberta Summer Games
- Assessment
- FCM
- Northern Alberta Leaders membership

- 100322 On motion of Reeve Dumont, Council agreed to cancel \$970.00 from Invoice #20546 for a structure fire.
- 3 for
2 opposed
Carried.
- 100323 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the Administrator's report was approved as presented.
- Carried.

Reeve Dumont report to Council on the following matters from the A.A.M.D. & C. committee meeting he attended

- Split mill rates on commercial
- Farm Status
- M&E

- 100324 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council agrees to send Councillor Brochu to the 2010 FCM Conference in Toronto with Reeve Dumont as alternate.
- Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was brought to Council for their consideration:

- 1) Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties
 - Contact Newsletters – Feb. 10, Feb. 24, Mar. 3,
 - Recap of Budget 2010
 - Reminder: Convention Deadlines – Spring 2010 Convention Keynote Speaker and Workshop Profiles
 - Proposed 2010-11 Membership Fee Formula
 - Look for *Rural Routes* in your Mailbox
 - A.A.M.D. & C. pleased with sustained municipal grant funding in 2010 budget.
 - Ministerial Forum Toolkit
- 2) Government of Alberta
 - Budget 2010
- 3) Alberta Transportation
 - 2010 Transportation Grant Programs
 - New Deal for Cities and Communities
- 4) Alberta Municipal Affairs
 - Municipal Government Board – New Chair
 - Municipal Sustainability Strategy Meeting – Summary
 - 2010 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI)
- 5) Federation of Canadian Municipalities
 - Federally Funded Stimulus Projects
 - Update on Canada-U.S. Agreement on Buy America
 - Buy American Deal Reached with the United States
 - FCM's Response to the Federal Budget
- 6) Peace Region Economic Development Alliance
 - Membership Renewal 2010
 - 2009/2010 Achievements
- 7) Family and Community Support Services
 - Letter to the Government of Alberta for their Continued Financial Support
- 8) County of Thorhild No. 7
 - Resolutions Proposed for AAMD & C Spring Convention
- 9) Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency
 - Newsletter – Winter Issue – Volume 14/02.10
- 10) Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission 2009/10
 - Interim Report of the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission 2009/10
- 11) Municipal District of Big Lakes
 - Joint Regional Assessment Review and Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
 - Spring Newsletter 2010
- 12) ASB Correspondence
- 13) Bills for Payment

ADJOURNMENT

100325

On motion of Reeve Dumont, the meeting adjourned at 5:13 pm.
Carried.

Reeve

Municipal Administrator