

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SMOKY RIVER NO. 130, HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FALHER, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2010

PRESENT:
Reeve: Donald Dumont
Councillors: André Trudeau
Donald Gosselin
Luc Desaulniers
Robert Brochu
Richard Aubin
Municipal Administrator : Lucien Turcotte
Recording Secretary : Rita Therriault
Smoky River Express Reporter : Barb Toker

CALL TO ORDER

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

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

- 100504 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council approved the agenda as presented with the addition of the following:
- Municipal Landfill Sites
 - Fire Ban

Carried.

MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

- 100505 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the minutes of the regular meeting held April 13th, 2010 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

- 100506 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, the minutes of the special meeting held April 21st, 2010 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- 100507 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole held May 4th, 2010 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MINUTES OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The minutes of the last High Prairie School Division #48 held on March 17, 2010 and the H.P.S.D. Central Source newsletter dated April 28, 2010, Vol. 1, Issue 9 were circulated as information to Council.

MONTHLY AND BUDGET REPORTS

- 100508 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, the monthly and budget reports for the month of April 2010 were approved.

Carried.

SUBDIVISION – NE 22-75-23-W5M

- 100509 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the NE 22-75-23-W5M for intensive agricultural use (berry farm) for Mr. Randy Aubin 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 14-76-21-W5M

- 100510 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the NE 14-76-21-W5M for intensive agricultural use (berry farm) for Mr. Norman Caron 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.

5 for
1 opposed
Carried.

BYLAW NO. 824 - Purchase of a New Incinerator

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 in the Province of Alberta to provide for the purchase of a new incinerator.

- 100511 First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Desaulniers.

Carried.

- 100512 Second Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Gosselin.

Carried.

- 100513 Councillor Brochu moved that Bylaw No. 824 receive Third and Final Reading at this time.

Carried Unanimously.

- 100514 Councillor Trudeau moved that It receive Third Reading and be Finally Passed.

Carried.

BYLAW NO. 825 - Fire Services By-law

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 in the Province of Alberta to provide for fire services within the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130.

- 100515 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council tabled By-Law No.825 to next meeting.

Carried.

FIRE BAN

Council expressed concerns about burning at the Municipal Landfill sites while the fire ban is on. Also, Councillors' requested that the fire ban on fire pits be relaxed. This will be discussed with the Director of Protective Services when she presents her report.

2010 MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BUDGET

100516 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council approved the 2010 Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 budget in the amount of \$10,125,896 as presented.

5 for
1 opposed
Carried.

BYLAW NO. 826 – 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 2010 taxation year.

100517 First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Trudeau.

Carried.

100518 Second Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Desaulniers.

Carried.

100519 Councillor Brochu moved that Bylaw No. 826 receive Third and Final Reading at this time.

Carried Unanimously.

100520 Councillor Gosselin moved that It receive Third Reading and be Finally Passed.

Carried.

M.D. RECREATION CAPITAL FUNDING PROGRAM

100521 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council approved the 5-Star Golf Club's application for \$20,874.15 under the Recreation Capital Funding Program from the 2010 budget.

Carried.

ROAD UPGRADE REQUEST – 5-Star Golf Club

100522 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council denied 5-Star Golf Club's request to upgrade the entrance road into the 5-Star Golf Course.

5 for
1 opposed
Carried.

MUNICIPAL LANDFILL SITES

Concerns about quotes for the work that needs to be done at the landfills.

Advertisement in the paper requesting that any contractor who wishes to work within the MD needs to register their business with Public Works.

Council discussed the possibility of purchasing our own backhoe. A cost analysis would be needed.

Concerns about garbage (plastic bags) flying outside dump perimeters.

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES' REPORT

The Director of Agricultural Services' presented his report to Council which included an overview of the following items:

- New incinerator and sale of old one
- Staffing
- Agriculture Program Grant
- 2010 Strathcona County ASB Summer Tour
- Upcoming meetings
- Weed Inspections
- V.S.I. Services - 1st quarter report
- Insecticide for Pine Beetle control
- PREDA meeting – Field Pennycress

100523 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved the Director of Agricultural Services' Report as presented.

Carried.

COUNCILLORS' CONCERNS

- Rig move road damages – Construction repairs of road grading done to our specification.

LUNCH

100524 On motion of Reeve Dumont, Council recessed for lunch at 12:02 pm and reconvened at 12:45 pm.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS' REPORT

The Director of Operations presented his report which was reviewed by Council and included an overview of the following items:

- Truckfill Returns
- Monthly Equipment Costs
- Monthly Downtime
- 2010 Graveling Program
- Peavine Creek Flood Control Program
- 2007 Flood Disaster Grant
- Unit 1405 – Fire Department Water Truck
- BF 73477 – Otis Culvert
- Wakaluk Watino Gravel Pit
- Gravel Trailers
- Advertise for local contractor
- Falher/Girouxville Market Road
- Grader work – dust control
- Rig move- road damage

100525 On motion of Councillor Aubin, the Director of Operations' report was approved as presented.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES' REPORT

The Director of Protective Services' presented her report which was reviewed by Council and included an overview of the following items:

- E911/Dispatch Services Update
- Emergency Management
- Rapid Attack Wildland Unit
- Rapid Attack Temporary Storage Agreement

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES' REPORT - continued

- Regional Municipal Budgets
- Fires in the region – Kimber Mader
- Fires in the region – Paul Ouellette
- Greenview Mutual Aid Agreement
- Peace River Mutual Aid Agreement
- Modify fire ban
- Burning at the MD Dumps

- 100526 On motion of Councillor Aubin, Council agreed to issue an order to Kimber Mader to put out the fire that originated on his quarter SE8-79-20 W5th according to our Bylaw #506.
- Carried Unanimously.
- 100527 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council recommended that Sustainable Resource Development put out the fire on SE 19-76-19-W5TH.
- Carried.
- 100528 On motion of Councillor Brochu, Council approved going into a Regional Mutual Aid Agreement with the MD of Greenview.
- Carried.
- 100529 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council approved going into a Regional Mutual Aid Agreement with the MD of Peace.
- Carried.
- 100530 On motion of Councillor Desaulniers, Council approved the Director of Protective Services' Report as presented.
- Carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Turcotte reported to Council on the following matters:

- FCM Conference
- 2010 AAMD&C Fall Convention
- Administrator's Refresher Course
- Assessment Review Board Training
- Salary Guarantee
- Falher Fire Hall - Rental
- Sustainable Resources Development 2010 Recreation Patrol Program
- M.D. Council Tour – June 21st
- Surplus Equipment
- 2010 Summer Games – in-kind donation
- Insurance on the Chemical Storage Shed
- Dust control to ratepayers
- Newspaper subscription
- Guy Sports Committee
- ATCO Gas – booster station at canal north of Falher

- 100531 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council approved increasing the basic grader operator wages from \$2,500 to \$2,800 as of May 5th, 2010. This basic wage will be adjusted to the same increase given for all employees' during wage negotiations starting January 2011.

5 for
1 opposed
Carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - continued

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It was Council's consensus that we would not participate in the 2010 Recreation Patrol Program (Blue Bridge) at this time.

On motion of Councillor Aubin, 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 Newsletters – April 14 & April 21, 2010
- 2) Smoky River Regional Waste Management Commission
 - Insurance on Chemical Shed at Landfill
- 3) Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development
 - AESA 2001 and Beyond Planning Survey Project Report Summary
- 4) Alberta Municipal Affairs
 - High Intensity Residential Fires
 - Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence
- 5) Natural Resources Conservation Board
 - Organizational Changes
- 6) Sustainable Resource Development
 - 2010 Recreation Patrol Program
- 7) Northern Sunrise County
 - Rail Freight Service Review Panel
- 8) P.A.C.E.
 - Request for Funding
 - Programs & Services
- 9) Frontier Resource Services Ltd.
 - Gravel Pit Sale
- 10) M.D. of Smoky River No.130
 - Municipal Matters
- 11) Bills for Payment

ADJOURNMENT

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On motion of Reeve Dumont, the meeting adjourned at 3:47 pm.

Carried.

 Reeve

 Municipal Administrator