

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SMOKY RIVER NO. 130, HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FALHER, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, MAY 12TH, 2011

PRESENT:
Reeve: Robert Brochu
Councillors: André Trudeau
Donald Gosselin
André Cloutier
Donald Dumont
Raoul Johnson
Municipal Administrator : Lucien Turcotte
Recording Secretary : Rita Therriault
Smoky River Express Reporter : Richard Froese

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Brochu at 10:00 a.m.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

110504 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council approved the agenda as revised.

- a) Graveling 5 Star road
- b) Wash out creek crossing Whitemud
- c) Peace Oilsand
- d) PREDA
- e) Culvert at Rene Roy
- f) Regional Collaboration Program Grant
- g) Subdivision Donnelly Corner

Carried.

MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

110505 On motion of Councillor Cloutier, the minutes of the regular meeting held April 12th, 2011 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

110506 On motion of Councillor Dumont, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole held May 4th, 2011 were approved as presented.

Carried.

MINUTES OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The minutes of the following organization and committees were presented to Council for information:

- High Prairie School Division No. 48 Meeting held on April 20, 2011
- Smoky River Regional Economic Development Board Meeting held on March 21, 2011
- Smoky River Agricultural Society Meeting held on April 20, 2011
- Smoky River Regional Physician Recruitment and Retention held on April 12, 2011

MONTHLY AND BUDGET REPORTS

110507 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, the monthly and budget reports for the month of April 2011 were approved.

Carried.

POWERLINE EXTENSION – SE 34-79-22-W5M

110508 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council granted approval to ATCO Electric for a powerline extension in the SE 34-79-22-W5M for Gilles and Claire Anctil.

Carried.

POWERLINE EXTENSION – LSD 4-28-79-20-W5M

110509 On motion of Councillor Dumont, Council granted approval to ATCO Electric for a powerline extension in LSD 4-28-79-20-W5M for Baytex Energy.

Carried.

SUBDIVISION – SE 20-77-19-W5M

110510 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council approved the proposed subdivision in the SE 20-77-19-W5M for a farmstead separation for Shawn & Monique Dubrule 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.

2011 MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BUDGET

110511 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council approved the 2011 Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 budget in the amount of \$15,322,333 as presented.

Carried.

BYLAW NO. 837 – 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 2011 taxation year.

110512 First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Johnson.

Carried.

110513 Second Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Cloutier.

Carried.

110514 Councillor Trudeau moved that Bylaw No. 837 receive Third and Final Reading at this time.

Carried Unanimously.

BYLAW NO. 837 – Establishing Rates of Taxation

110515 Councillor Dumont moved that It receive Third Reading and be Finally Passed.

Carried.

BYLAW NO. 838 - 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.

100516 First Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Dumont.

Carried.

110517 Second Reading was given upon a motion of Councillor Gosselin.

Carried.

110518 Councillor Johnson moved that Bylaw No. 838 receive Third and Final Reading at this time.

Carried Unanimously.

110519 Councillor Trudeau moved that It receive Third Reading and be Finally Passed.

Carried.

STRAY DOGS – Nicole Golany

Ms. Nicole Golany, a resident of the Hamlet of Guy, sent a letter to Council regarding a concern of loose animals in the Hamlet as well as the surrounding M.D.

A letter will be sent to Ms Golany indicating that the M.D. does not have a bylaw addressing unleashed animal and that the Councillor will talk to the dog's owner to resolve this issue.

GRAVELLING 5 STARS ROAD

Councillor Gosselin has had numerous requests to gravel the access road to 5 Stars Golf and Country Club.

The issues will be addressed by the Director of Operation and Road foreman.

WASHOUT CREEK CROSSING WHITEMUD

Councillor Johnson reported that there is a washout issue at the Wabatanisk Creek crossing, SW 27-74-22-W5M.

Costs will be addressed under the MSI grant.

PEACE OILSAND

Councillor Dumont reported on the recently attended Peace Oilsand Conference in Peace River held on May 10th, 2011.

PREDA

Councillor Dumont reported on the last PREDA meeting. The Annual Meeting in Falher on the 27th of May, 2011 at 10:00 am Reeve Brochu or Councillor Trudeau will be attending.

CULVERT AT RENE ROY

Councillor Cloutier reported on the Rene Roy's flooding problem; two culverts could be added to reduce this problem.

REGIONAL COLLABORATION PROGRAM GRANT

110520 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council moved the following: "Be it resolved that Council authorizes the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 to participate in an application for the Peavine/McLennan Connector Inter Municipal Management project, submitted by the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 under the Strategic Initiatives component of the Regional Collaboration Program, further

That the Municipal District of Smoky River No.130 if the applicant, agrees to enter into, or as participant, agrees to abide by the terms of a Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds."

Carried.

Councillor Gosselin left the meeting due to conflict with the Donnelly Corner Subdivision

SUBDIVISION DONNELLY CORNER

110421 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council approved the new proposed subdivision in the SW 1-78-21-W5M for an industrial/commercial development for Donnelly Corner Development Inc. 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.

Councillor Gosselin returned to the meeting.

Smoky River Express reporter Richard Froese left the meeting at 10:48 p.m.

SCENT FREE BUILDING POLICY

A request was received from Smoky River Regional Health Task Force for municipality to develop a policy addressing scents and perfumes in municipal buildings.

110422 On motion of Reeve Brochu, Council tabled the matter pending further information.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES' REPORT

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

- Tree Spade
- Staffing
- Picker Truck
- Wild Boar Incentive Program
- Authorized Assistant Training Session
- 2013 Provincial ASB Conference
- Blackleg "Tailgate" Meetings (SARDA)
- 2012 Provincial ASB Tour
- Cutworm in Canola
- Upcoming meetings

110523 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, Council approved the Director of Agricultural Services' Report as presented.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES' REPORT

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

- E911/Dispatch Services Update
- Emergency Management
- Water Truck Tender
- Fire Quality Management Plan
- Bylaw for Year Round Burning Permits
- Training
- Standard Operating Procedures
- Alberta Fire Chiefs Convention
- Request for permit
- Bleacher on the Fairgrounds
- Grader Operator Training

110524 On motion of Councillor Dumont, Council approved the Director of Protective Services' Report as presented.

Carried.

COUNCILLORS' CONCERNS

- Larger Washouts - erosion
- Water through fields at Clem Aubin Jr.
- Small area ditching
- Jean Cote unsightly property
- Garbage on private property not secured
- Air quality policy

UNSIGHTLY PROPERTY

110525 On motion of Councillor Trudeau, Council approved designating Dave Gervais to manage the process as per section 546 of the MGA regulation to eradicate an unsightly property on Plan 176TR Lot A in Jean Cote.

Carried.

LUNCH

110526 On motion of Reeve Brochu, Council recessed for lunch at 11:52 pm and reconvened at 12:23 pm.

Carried.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS' REPORT

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

- Truckfill Returns
- Monthly Equipment Costs
- Monthly Downtime
- Road Bans
- 2011 Gravelling Program
- McLennan to Peavine Connector
- Rural Addressing
- Staff Issues
- Contractor Cost Breakdown
- St. Jean Baptiste Landscaping
- MSI Infrastructure Projects
- Grader Operator
- Annual Landfill Road
- Anderson Gravel
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110527 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council approved a wages increase from \$28.06 to \$30 per hour for employee #31 effective June 1st, 2011.

Carried

110528 On motion of Councillor Cloutier, Council approved the supply of 300 yards of gravel for the St. Jean Baptiste Church approach and parking area.

Carried.

110529 On motion of Councillor Cloutier, the Director of Operations' report was approved as presented.

Carried.

SKI HILL MANAGER'S REPORT

Ski Hill Manager Clem Bourgeois met with Council to discuss the following matters:

- Closed hill April
- Revenue for the Season
- Skier and tubers for the season
- Cistern came out of ground
- Agreement with Whitemud Community Group
- Bussing program
- Kitchen Operator

110530 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council approved the Ski Hill Manager's Report.

Carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Turcotte reported to Council on the following matters:

- FCM Conference
- Administrator's Refresher Course
- Regional Council Meeting
- M.D. Council Tour
- Peace Library System
- Snowplow for Driveways – Policy No. 810
- Director of Operations
- Peavine Road
- Chalet Lease Agreement
- Grader Downtime
- Water Services – Northern Sunrise County
- F.C.S.S. – Penny Fox
- Surplus Bids
- Road to Anderson Gravel Pit
- Chalet Kitchen Operator
- Railroad salvage
- Donnelly Corner

110531 On motion of Councillor Trudeau. Council approved the amendments to Policy No.810 and form B as presented.

Carried.

IN CAMERA

110532 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council went into camera to discuss personal issues at 3:08 pm.

Carried.

OUT OF CAMERA

110533 On motion of Councillor Dumont, Council came out of camera at 3:15 pm.

Carried.

110534 On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council to approved to go to tender for the McLennan/Peavine Road.

Carried.

Councillor Gosselin left the meeting due to conflict with the Donnelly Corner Subdivision at 3:43 pm

110535 On motion of Councillor Cloutier, Council accept the letter of credit from Donnelly Corner Development to meet the security condition of the Developer Agreement.

Carried.

Councillor Gosselin returned to the meeting at 3:50.

110536 On motion of Councillor Gosselin, the Administrator's report was approved as presented.

Carried.

MUNICIPAL SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT

110537

On motion of Councillor Johnson, Council approved projects #1, #4, #6, #7, as one project for \$145,000 plus \$150,000 to gravel dirt roads and \$80,000 amending the Peavine/Road project for the purchase the Right of Ways on the MSI grant program.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was brought to Council for their consideration:

- 1) Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties
 - Contact Newsletters – April 13, April 20, April, 27, May 4, 2011
 - Member Bulletin – Alberta Transportation – Use of Electronic Messaging Signs Along Provincial Highways
 - Member Bulletin – Rail Freight Service Review
 - Executive Highlights – March 2011 Executive Board Activities
 - Member Bulletin – Lower Athabasca Regional Plan
- 2) Alberta Municipal Affairs
 - Ministerial Response to Written Questions from the A.A.M.D. & C. Fall 2010 Ministerial Forum
 - 10th Annual Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence
- 3) Alberta Transportation
 - Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program – Local Road Bridge – Bridge File 73477 Approval
- 4) Alberta Environment
 - Peavine Creek Drainage Project Channel Improvements and Replacement of BF 75669 – Comments on Engineering Report
- 5) Government of Alberta – Tourism, Parks and Recreation
 - 2011 Energize Workshop
- 6) Family and Community Support Services
 - Smoky River Regional Child Care Society
- 7) Society of Local Government Managers of Alberta
 - Certified Local Government Manager Designation – Rita Therriault
- 8) Peace Region Economic Development Alliance
 - 2010-2011 Achievements
- 9) Natural Resources Conservation Board
 - Update Newsletter – April 2011
- 10) Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency
 - Land Use Framework Position Paper – Upper and Lower Peace
- 11) Northern Alberta Elected Leaders (NAEL)
 - Minutes of a Meeting held March 25, 2011
- 12) Government of Canada – Citizenship and Immigration Canada
 - Canada's Citizenship Award 2011

CORRESPONDENCE - continued

- 13) Smoky River Community Health Task Force
 - Sent free buildings
- 14) Northern Sunrise County
 - East Peace Water Co-op System
- 15) Bills for Payment

ADJOURNMENT

110538

On motion of Reeve Brochu, the meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Carried.

Reeve

Municipal Administrator