



**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting of March 8, 2010**

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**PRESENT:**

Mayor  
Councilors

Leora MacKinnon  
Grant Mott  
Mary Campbell  
Paul Marinus  
Jim Ahn  
Brenda Burridge  
Louis Beloin

Chief Administrative Officer  
Director of Finance  
Director of Operations  
A/Director of Tourism, Parks and Recreation  
Land/Economic Development Officer  
Executive Secretary

Dennis Egyedy  
Florrie MacLeod  
Owen Farnel  
Renee Fenwick  
Tristan Choi  
Katlynn Bennett

**ABSENT WITH NOTICE:**

Director of Community Services

Catherine Cole

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor L. MacKinnon called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, March 8, 2010 to order at 6:33 P.M.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Two additions: 5(c) Open Burn Permit  
8(k) Fox Creek School

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

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| <b>64-10</b> | To accept the Agenda for the March 8, 2010 Meeting of the Fox Creek Town Council, as amended with two additions. |
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**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

(a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council February 22, 2010

Moved by: Councilor Ahn

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| <b>65-10</b> | To accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held February 22, 2010 as presented. |
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**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Mayor MacKinnon introduced the new staff member, Tristan Choi for the position of Land/Economic Development Officer. T. Choi thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity.**

**4. DELEGATIONS**

- (a) Northland Sno-Goers  
 Arnie Mostowich, President  
 Scott Simms, Vice President

A. Mostowich informed Council that the Fox Creek leg of the Golden Triangle Trail reconstruction project is complete and provided a copy of the summary of costs. The project cost was considerably lower than anticipated.

A. Mostowich returned a cheque to the Town for \$26,602.51 for the unused funds from the project. Mayor MacKinnon commended the Northland Sno-Goers club for their work completed to the trail.

- (b) Alberta Parks  
 Calvin McLeod

C. McLeod from Alberta Parks made a presentation to Council regarding upgrades to the lake campgrounds and the new online campsite reservation system. The Building Canada fund has provided \$75,000.00 to the two lake campgrounds, Smoke and Iosegun for upgrades and repairs. In late March work will begin with clearing trees, and ensuring potable water at the campgrounds.

C. McLeod reported that there are 50 campgrounds in Alberta participating in the online reservation system. On March 8, 2010, there were 100,000 hits to the website with 10,000 reservations. If Fox Creek would like to go on the reservation system, two Parks staff would be required to take a two day training course in Edmonton. The cost of setting up the data collection, training, and equipment would be \$30,000.00. The reservation system can have each campground set up to have 50% reserved, and the other 50% first come first serve basis, or whatever options determined.

**5. BYLAWS**

- (a) Road Closure  
 Dennis Egyedy, Chief Administrative Officer

D. Egyedy presented to Council a Road Closure ByLaw for the reconfiguration of a cul-de-sac on the portion of road located at Lot 2A, Block 36, Plan 012-3143 and Closed Road, Plan 002-4370.

Moved by: Councilor Mott

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| <b>66-10</b>               | To approve the first reading of ByLaw 683 – 2010 Road Closure. |
| <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |  |

- (b) Recreational Fire Permit  
 Dennis Egyedy, Chief Administrative Officer

D. Egyedy reviewed with Council the Recreational Fire Permit ByLaw. The ByLaw was written for the establishment of a set of guidelines for the construction, inspection and permitting of recreational fires. Present home owners with backyard fire pits will be inspected and a permit will be issued at no charge in 2010. However, in 2011 each property owner that does not have a recreational fire permit will be charged \$25.00 for a permit. The permit will be a one-time charge and only expires if the occupant moves.

- (c) Open Burn Permit  
Dennis Egyedy, Chief Administrative Officer

The Open Burn Permit was written for the establishment of a set of guidelines for the clearing and burning of trees and brush preparing land for development or maintenance. The Open Burning permits will be restricted to the clearing of land for development.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

- (a) Provincial Electoral Boundaries  
Dennis Egyedy, Chief Administrative Officer

The Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission was tasked with reassigning 87 electoral divisions. In using the 2009 population list, there are 3,556,583 residents in Alberta. In dividing the population into 87 divisions, the resulting population allowable by Law is 40,880. Therefore, there was an adjustment to the boundaries, making Fox Creek a part of the Woodlands County and Lac St Ann. The Municipal District of Greenview, Woodlands County, and Whitecourt oppose the change, and will be bringing their concerns to the next public hearing on April 12<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

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| <b>67-10</b> | To have Council's concerns expressed at the next Electoral Boundaries public hearing and oppose any change where Fox Creek is a part of Woodlands County, Lac Ste. Anne. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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- (b) Wastewater Lift Station  
Dennis Egyedy, Chief Administrative Officer

DCL Siemens Engineering Ltd sent out proposal invitations for the Geotechnical Investigation and Report to be conducted at the proposed site for the Wastewater Lift Station. DCL received four (4) proposals from geotechnical consultants, and based upon review of the tenders they recommend Shelby Engineering Ltd.

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

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| <b>68-10</b> | To approve the proposal submitted by Shelby Engineering Ltd. for the amount of \$8,250.00 plus GST;<br><br>And furthermore, a confidential contingency amount is set aside should an additional test hole, monitoring or testing be required;<br><br>And furthermore, DCL Siemens shall contact Shelby Engineering Ltd. to arrange for the drilling program to commence immediately following the receipt of the TFA and subsequent clearing and snow removal. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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- (c) Street Improvement Program  
Owen Farnel, Director of Operations

Ruel Bros. Contracting has submitted costing for the 2010 Street Improvement Project in the amount of \$517,276.252. The available funds for the project are \$363,633.00, which is short by \$153,643.25.

Moved by: Councilor Marinus

**69-10** To defer the 2010 Street Improvement funding of \$363,633.00 to be used for the 2011 Street Improvement Project, and

Furthermore, the 2011 Street Improvement Project will be tendered for the identified areas.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- (d) Truck Replacement  
Owen Farnel, Director of Operations

Moved by: Councilor Burrige

**70-10** To approve that Operations purchase two (2) used pickup trucks, not to exceed \$30,000.00 and to be funded from the Recreation Reserve.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- (e) Arena Summer Events  
Renee Fenwick, A. Tourism, Parks and Recreation Director

R. Fenwick brought to Council a proposal of implementing evening programming of roller-skating, inline skating, and indoor basketball during the summer months to increase utilization of the arena.

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

**71-10** To approve the implementation of Arena Summer programming three (3) times per week from June 1 to September 3, at the rate of \$5.00/person per evening, and

Furthermore, the addition of "At any time during inline or roller skating, all participants must wear a helmet, and is recommended to wear safety protection" to the Arena Regulations.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- (f) Playground Equipment Relocation  
Renee Fenwick, A. Tourism, Parks and Recreational Director

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

**72-10** To Table the Request for Decision on the Playground Equipment Relocation.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 7. MAYOR'S CORNER / COUNCILOR'S REPORTS

- (a) GAER Quick Notes – March 1, 2010  
Mayor MacKinnon

Moved by: Councilor Marinus

**73-10** To accept the GAER Quick Notes for March 1, 2010 as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- (b) Tourism, Parks and Recreation Committee  
Councilor Campbell, Chairperson

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

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| <b>74-10</b> | To accept the Tourism, Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes March 2, 2010 as information. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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- (c) Northern Gateway Enbridge  
Councilor Burrige

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

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| <b>75-10</b> | To appoint Councilor Burrige as the Fox Creek representative at the Edmonton Northern Gateway Community Advisory Boards, and to appoint Councilor Ahn as the alternate. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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Moved by: Councilor Marinus

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| <b>76-10</b> | To appoint Councilor Beloin as the Fox Creek representative at the Grande Prairie Northern Gateway Community Advisory Boards, and to appoint Councilor Mott as the alternate. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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- (d) Northern CARE  
Councilor Burrige

Councilor Burrige reviewed highlights from the Northern CARE meeting. She advised Council that there has been a 105% increase in recycling fees, and the price per ton on cardboard has also increased. Recycle Plus has advised that glass collected is being land filled because there is no use for it.

- (e) Mountain Pine Beetle  
Mayor MacKinnon

Mayor MacKinnon spoke with Jim McCammon, from Alberta Newsprint Company regarding the infestation of the mountain pine beetle. The infestation for this area is overwhelming, and J. McCammon would like Council's support in broadening the treated area from Fox Creek to Slave Lake. J. McCammon would like to come to Council to make a presentation on what the region is doing to slow down the infestation and the costs of the rehabilitation of trees.

**Mayor Mackinnon called for a short recess at 9:16 p.m.**

**Mayor MacKinnon called the meeting back to order at 9:30 p.m.**

## **8. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE OR INFORMATION**

D. Egyedy reported on correspondence received. The Fox Creek Historical Association requested donations for the renovating of the Fox Creek Museum. A new deck, stairs and wheelchair ramp will be installed this year. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$27,000.00; the Historical Association has applied for a 50/50 grant, and is looking for donations to cover the remaining costs of \$13,500.00.

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

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| <b>77-10</b> | To approve \$13,500.00 of MSI Operating funding application for the Fox Creek Museum renovations. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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The Fox Creek RCMP Detachment has prepared a Loss of Building Plan for the Detachment due to various circumstances such as fire, flooding, bombing, etc. Cpl. R. Loo is requesting the use of the Town's municipal office in order for continued and uninterrupted policing of the Community.

Moved by: Councilor Burridge

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| <b>78-10</b> | To approve the Fox Creek RCMP Detachment "Loss of Building Plan" including the use and access to Municipal buildings, and equipment to allow for continued policing of the Town of Fox Creek. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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Moved by: Councilor Marinus

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| <b>79-10</b> | To accept the Reports and Correspondence as information.<br><br>- Insight February 19 & 26, 2010<br>- Luc Ouellette, Alberta Transportation<br>- Gerhard Schwarz, ATCO Gas<br>- Brenda Smith, Recycle Plus<br>- Gail L. Yester, Trilogy Energy Corp<br>- Linda Horyn, Historical Association<br>- Cpl. R. Loo, Fox Creek Detachment<br>- SRD Government of Alberta<br>- Black Gold Emergency Planners | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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**9. IN CAMERA**

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

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| <b>80-10</b> | To go "In Camera" at 9:45 PM. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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Moved by: Councilor Campbell

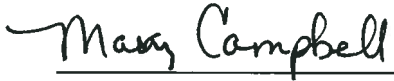
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| <b>81-10</b> | To leave "In Camera" at 9:50 PM. | <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b> |
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10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

**82-10** To adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council at 9:51 PM.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



Mary Campbell  
Deputy Mayor

  
Dennis Egyedy  
Chief Administrative Officer

March 22, 2010  
Date Approved