



COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting of September 28, 2009

PRESENT:

Mayor
Councilors

Leora MacKinnon
Brenda Burridge
Mary Campbell
Louis Beloin
Paul Marinus (6:50PM Late)
Jim Ahn (7:20PM Left)
Grant Mott

Chief Administrative Officer
Director of Finance
Director of Operations
Director of Parks & Recreation
Fire Chief
Community Peace Officer
Adult Education Coordinator
Executive Secretary

Dennis Egyedy
Florrie MacLeod
Owen Farnel
Carol Dunnigan
Les Paul
Al Carroll
Kelli McPhee
Katlynn Bennett

ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

Director of Community Resources

Catherine Cole

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor L. MacKinnon called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday September 28, 2009 to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

To add item 8(e) Municipal Library Board Update.

Moved by: Councilor Burridge

251-09	To accept the Agenda for the September 28, 2009 Meeting of the Fox Creek Town Council, as amended.
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council September 14, 2009

Moved by: Councilor Mott

252-09

To accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 14, 2009 as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS

(a) Community Presentation
Mayor MacKinnon

Mayor MacKinnon presented an aerial photo plaque to Kate Young which stated

*"In recognition to KATE YOUNG celebrating 50 years – 1959 to 2009
Outstanding Community Spirit to the Town of Fox Creek"*

Mayor MacKinnon thanked Mrs. Young for her many years of involvement with the church, substitute teaching, and various volunteering positions. Mrs. Young thanked the Mayor and Council for the plaque.

5. STAFF REPORTS

(a) Chief Administrative Officer
Dennis Egyedy

D. Egyedy provided Council with highlights from his written report for the month of September. Highlights included the Municipal Sustainability Initiative funding projects for buildings that required repairs or improvements: Community Hall, Fire Hall, and Doctor's House. MSI funding will be used to complete work on these facilities; however, Council may need to budget money for work not allowed under MSI.

D. Egyedy provided an update on the Municipal Sustainability Plan progress, with gathering recent surveys compiled into a single document for analysis. Council was encouraged to continue disturbing the surveys and informing the public about the MSP community sessions at the Community Hall on October 27th, 1:00pm to 3:00pm and 7:00pm to 9:00pm.

Other highlights included Town development, RV Campground seasonal closing, work being completed at the Transfer Site, and the Wastewater Lift Station Design Tenders.

Moved by: Councilor Ahn

253-09

To accept the Chief Administrative Officer report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) Community Peace Officer's Report
Al Carroll, Peace Officer

Community Peace Officer, Al Carroll presented his report to Council for the month of September. On August 28th, 2009 A. Carroll attended a dog course through the Enforcement Training Academy. The main focus of the course was apprehension and the handling of loose dogs.

A. Carroll notified Council that he will be spending time at the school zone as much as possible during lunch and after school hours. A. Carroll reported that enforcement of parking violations along Highway Avenue is way down this month. Improper parking tickets issued this month was only 3, with 140 year to date.

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

254-09 To accept the Community Peace Officer's report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(c) Fire Chief Report
Les Paul, Fire Chief

Fire Chief, Les Paul reported to Council for the month of September. He reported the current number of volunteer Firefighters is still at 18, and they received 4 applications this month. During September there was 1 MVC, a natural gas leak requiring a building evacuation, a false alarm, and 2 lift assists.

L. Paul informed Council that the month of October will be very busy with Fire Prevention Week, pumpkin carving contest, and training courses. There will also be a change to the practice night from Thursday to Wednesday to improve attendance starting in October.

L. Paul gave Council a verbal invitation to the Fire Hall Open House, which will be held on October 8th, 2009 at 7:00pm.

Moved by: Councilor Ahn

255-09 To accept the Fire Chief's monthly report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(c) Community Resource Centre
Catherine Cole, Director of the Community Services

Kelli McPhee, Adult Education Coordinator for the CRC reported to Council the Community Resource Services Report in the absence of Catherine Cole.

The CRC is preparing for upcoming programs such as *Moms Morning Out*, *Pleased to be me*, and *Rainbows program*.

The Youth Council accepted a donation from the turnaround staff at SemCAMS KA. Councilor Ahn mentioned that Julie Van De Kamp, SemCAMS employee presented to the Youth Council a \$1140.00 cheque, raised from a 50/50 draw.

Moved by: Councilor Mott

256-09 To accept the Community Resource Services report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

(a) Monthly Cash Statement – August 31, 2009

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

257-09	To accept the Monthly Cash Statement for August 31, 2009 as presented.
	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) Accounts Payable – Period Ending September 25, 2009

Moved by: Councilor Burridge

258-09	To accept the Accounts Payable Report for the period ending, September 25, 2009 as presented.
	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. NEW BUSINESS

(a) Request for Decision – ATCO Franchise Fee
Dennis Egyedy, Chief Administrative Officer

Chief Administrative Officer, Dennis Egyedy informed Council that according to the Town's Franchise Agreement; the Franchisee, Atco Electric must notify the Town of the current fee percentage. This fee percentage is 4.5% of the \$1,278,498 which results in \$57,532 revenue for the year 2010 to the Town.

Due to the current economic conditions Council chose to keep the fee percentage the same.

Moved by: Councilor Mott

259-09	Council approves the current 4.5 percent Franchise Fee for 2010 as collected by Atco Electric.
	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. MAYOR'S CORNER / COUNCILOR'S REPORTS

(a) GAER Quick Notes – September 14, 2009
Mayor MacKinnon

Mayor MacKinnon was unable to attend the GAER meeting on September 14, 2009. However, copies of the meeting's Quick Notes were distributed to Council for information. Mayor MacKinnon will be attending the next GAER meeting held in Mayerthorpe on October 5th, 2009.

Moved by: Councilor Burridge

260-09 To accept the GAER Quick Notes as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (b) Finance Committee of the Whole Minutes September 16, 2009
Jim Ahn, Chairperson

Mr. Ahn, Chairperson reviewed the Minutes of the September 16th, 2009 Finance Meeting. The Committee discussed the 2009 MSI Operating Funds for proposed projects. Administration was directed to prepare costing of repairs for the Community Hall, Fire Hall, Doctors House, and Walking Trails.

Moved by: Councilor Mott

261-09 To accept the Minutes of the September 16, 2009 meeting of the Finance Committee of the Whole as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (c) Chamber of Commerce Update
Councilor Burridge

Councilor Burridge reviewed highlights from the September Chamber of Commerce meeting. B. Burridge informed Council that the Chambers had a net loss of \$2200.00 from the Canada Day celebration. The Tourist Information Centre had 3000 tourist visit this year, with hours operating from 8am to 8pm.

Tom Gislason, a Chambers member is now a part of the MSP task force. The next Chamber of Commerce meeting is October 19th, 2009.

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

262-09 To accept the Chamber of Commerce update as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (i) Operations Committee Meetings Minutes September 25, 2009
Councilor Beloin

Councilor Beloin review highlights from the Operations Committee meeting held on September 25th, 2009. Topics discussed were the 2010 Street Improvement Program, Transfer Site, 2010 Municipal District road paving, Community Hall repair list, and Tender openings for Request for Proposal on the Lift Station.

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

263-09 To accept the Operations Committee Meeting Minutes for September 25th, 2009 as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(ii) Fox Creek Municipal Library Board Update
Councilor Campbell

Councilor Campbell review highlights from the Municipal Library Board update for September 28th, 2009. M. Campbell reported that the summer reading program was very successful with the maximum of 15 children registered. A committee was formed and plans are underway to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Fox Creek Municipal Library in February. The library update showed a chart of interlibrary loans from the past 4 months, the Fox Creek library loans out several hundred books per month, and borrowing less than a hundred itself.

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

264-09 To accept the Municipal Library Board Update as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE OR INFORMATION

Chief Administrative Officer, Dennis Egyedy reviewed highlights from the correspondence received.

The Alberta/Northwest Territories Command; The Royal Canadian Legion is requesting Town support by purchasing an advertisement in the *Military Service Recognition Book 2010*.

Moved by: Councilor Burrige

265-09 Council approves the purchase of a business card advertisement in the *Military Service Recognition Book*, with the Town web address.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

266-09 To accept the Reports and Correspondence as information as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

267-09 To adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:45 PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY


Leora MacKinnon
Mayor


Dennis Egyedy
Chief Administrative Officer

October 13th, 2009
Date Approved