



COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting of February 23, 2009

PRESENT:

Mayor
Councilors

Leora Mackinnon
Brenda Burrige
Paul Marinus
Grant Mott
Louis Beloin
Jim Ahn
Mary Campbell

Chief Administrative Officer
Director of Finance
Director of Operations
Director of Parks and Recreation
Assistant Development Officer
Executive Secretary
Peace Officer

Dennis Egyedy
Florrie MacLeod
Owen Farnel
Christine Westerveld
Cindy Nielson
Katlynn Bennett
Al Caroll

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor L. MacKinnon called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, February 23, 2009 to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There were three (3) additions to the Agenda:

1. Letter from Fox Creek School to correspondence 10 (f)
2. Swimming Pool/Water Park 8(a)
3. Notice of Motion 8(b)

Moved by: Councilor Marinus

42-09	To accept the Agenda for the February 23, 2009 Meeting of the Fox Creek Town Council with three additions.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council February 9, 2009

Moved by: Councilor Mott

43-09	To accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held February 9, 2009 as presented.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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4. DELEGATIONS

RCMP Fox Creek Detachment
Rodney Koscielney, Harley Koehler, Justin Baxter

Sgt. Rodney Koscielney introduced the two new members of the Fox Creek Detachment, Cst. Harley Koehler and Cst. Justin Baxter. The Detachment now has five members; Cst. Koehler is in a revised shift supervisor status. Sgt Koscielney spoke of the greatly needed 3.5 million dollar Detachment being built in the early spring.

7. OLD BUSINESS

(a) Request for Decision – Industrial District Campgrounds
Dennis Egyedy, Chief Administrative Officer

Darren Young and Dave McRae from ISL reviewed the RFD for Industrial Campgrounds. They identified eleven (11) other communities that disallowed campgrounds in their industrial areas. There are hazards for allowing housing in an industrial area including liability placed on the Town for a camper's safety. The Land Use By-Law has no mention of Industrial Campgrounds, whereas the Municipal Development plan identifies industrial campsites. This inconsistency between the MDP and the Land Use By-Law needs to be rectified.

Moved by: Councilor Ahn

44-09

Council approves the repeal of Policy No. P004-2003 – the “Bunk House Policy” and;

Furthermore to amend the LUB to remove “Bunkhouse”, “Campground” and “Caretakers Residence” from the M-1 District and;

Furthermore amend the MDP to remove Policy 5.2.2(5) and,

Furthermore to direct Administration to investigate possible areas where temporary housing may be developed for extended periods in accordance with Policy 5.0.6(2) of the MDP in anticipation of a potential future need expressed by industrial businesses for this housing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) Request for Decision – Intermunicipal Development Plan
Dennis Egyedy, CAO/Development Officer

Council reviewed the Intermunicipal Development Plan and discussed the need for an IDP according to provincial legislation. Darren Young provided historical information of the original plan that started in 2006 and 2007. Concerns were expressed about the reduction of boundaries on the south side of highway, and north to Iosegun Lake. Council expressed a need to increase the boundaries to improve communication between the MD and the Town Council regarding development in the area.

Council asked the ISL consultants to identify potential areas for annexation on the map of Fox Creek. CAO, Dennis Egyedy asked the consultants to identify the interchange, which will prohibit any further expansion of the airport on the Town side.

The Mayor thanked Darren Young and Dave McRae for there work on the plan and Council looks forward to approving the document with mutual agreement between the Town and the MD.

5. STAFF REPORTS

- (a) Chief Administrative Officer
Dennis Egyedy

D. Egyedy distributed copies of the Building Canada Fund application for the Wastewater Lift Station. Council was asked to review the document and provide feedback to Dennis by Friday February 27th. Mr. Egyedy informed Council of the success of the 72 hour parking restriction, which assisted public works with the clearing of snow and ice off residential roads.

Moved by: Councilor Marinus

45-09	To accept the Chief Administrative Officer's Report as information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	

- (b) Community Peace Officer
Al Caroll

Al Carroll provided Council with his report for the Month of February 2009. Mr. Caroll spoke to Council regarding the consideration of closing the campground during the winter months due to the ongoing struggle of campers not paying their camp site fees on time. CAO, Dennis Egyedy will be seek legal advice on a process to evict the none compliant campers.

Moved by: Councilor Beloin

46-09	To accept the Community Peace Officer's Report as information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	

Mayor MacKinnon called for a short recess at 8:40 p.m.

Mayor MacKinnon called the meeting back to order at 8:55 P.M.

6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

- (a) Monthly Cash Statement – January 31, 2009

Moved by: Councilor Marinus

47-09	To accept the Monthly Cash Statement for January 31, 2009 as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	

- (b) Accounts Payable – Period Ending February 23, 2009

Moved by: Councilor Burrige

48-09	To accept the Accounts Payable Report for the period ending February 23, 2009 as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	

8. NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Requested for Decision - Swimming Pool Location
Christine Westerveld, Director of Parks & Recreation

Miss Westerveld presented to Council a map of Fox Creek with potential locations for a new outdoor swimming pool. Considerations for a new pool area were based on whether the location had water services, and preferably close to residential area.

Council chose to submit the current RCMP Detachment site for an application to the Building Canada Fund for an outdoor swimming pool. C. Westerveld will be contacting the Parks and Recreation of Mayerthorpe to get estimates on their outdoor swimming pool built in 2007.

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

49-09	To approve the construction of an outdoor swimming pool/water park as a priority two (2) to apply for a Building Canada application.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	

Moved by: Councilor Mott

50-09	To approve the new location of swimming pool/water spray park location at the current RCMP Detachment location, 503 Hammond Drive, Lot B- Block 10, Plan 4860 T.R.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	

- (b) Notice of Motion – Reconsideration of Motion 294-08

Councilor Mott gave notice to reconsider of Motion 294-08, the closing of RV Campground during the months of October through to May. The Motion will be reviewed at the Council meeting, on March 23rd, 2009.

Moved by: Councilor Mott

51-09	To approve the Notice of Motion to Reconsider Motion 294-08 to be reviewed at the Council meeting on March 23, 2009.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	

9. MAYOR'S CORNER/COUNCILORS' REPORTS

(a) Finance Committee – February 9 & 18, 2009

Mayor MacKinnon reviewed the Minutes of the February 18, 2009 Finance Meeting Minutes and revealed an error of the Transfer Site Motion 13-09, the correct plan number is 002-4920 lot 3 – block 37, Plan 072-6283.

Moved by: Councilor Ahn

52-09	Council accepts the Minutes of the February 9 and 18, 2009 meeting of the Finance Committee as amended.
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) Municipal Library Board – Member-at-Large
Councilor Campbell

Mrs. Foisy submitted a letter to Town Council regarding a position on the Municipal Library Board, Council made the decision to accept Mrs. Foisy's request.

Moved by: Councilor Campbell

53-09	To accept Susan Foisy as a Member-at-Large of the Municipal Library Board for a three (3) year term.
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor MacKinnon discussed the highlights of the Extreme Makeover Committee meeting held February 11th, 2009 regarding the renovations to be made at the Commercial Court. Christine Westerveld and Kim Doll are working on a architectural drawing of the area. Christine and Kim have been working very hard on a landscaping plan, and would like to have some public input. An open house and the Extreme Makeover Committee meeting will be held at the end of March. CAO, Dennis Egyedy is looking into the cost of security cameras for the gazebo to help with preventing vandalism. Committee discussed a mural to be painted on the side of the Rexall building, a committee member spoke with the Rexall owner and they were not opposed to a mural.

Mayor MacKinnon reported on the GAER Media Training session she attended in Edson on February 19th, 2009. The training discussed the "Do's and Don'ts" of speaking to the media.

Mayor MacKinnon discussed the Northern Mayor's Caucus held in Edmonton on February 20th, 2009. The topics discussed were communities struggling to keep their senior facilities open due to high costs. Many facilities are charging \$900 per month when most seniors only receive \$1100 per month income. Mayor MacKinnon spoke of downsizing the application of the Town's seniors complex to five units.

10. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

D. Egyedy presented highlights from correspondence received. Mayor MacKinnon advised administration to send a letter of Thanks to Woodlands Country for the grant funding increase to \$50,000. Mayor MacKinnon also suggested hosting a joint Council meeting and/or dinner with Mayor Rennie to further show the Council's appreciation.

Moved by: Councilor Marinus

54-09	To accept the Reports and Correspondence as information as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	


11. IN CAMERA

No Items

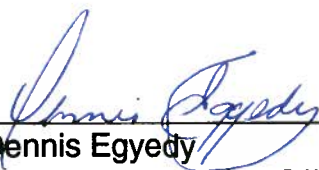
12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councilor Marinus

58-09	To adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council at 9:50 PM.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	



Louis Beloin
Deputy Mayor



Dennis Egyedy
Chief Administrative Officer

March 9, 2009
Date Approved