

**Council Minutes  
Town of Fox Creek  
Regular Meeting of May 12, 2008**

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PRESENT: Mayor: Leora MacKinnon  
Councillors: Mary Campbell  
Louis Beloin  
Brenda Burrige  
Paul Marinus  
Chief Administrative Officer: Dennis Egyedy  
Director of Operations: Owen Farnel  
Director of Finance: Florrie MacLeod  
Director of Parks & Recreation: Carol Dunnigan  
Executive Secretary: Leslie Thorn  
ABSENT WITH NOTICE:  
Councillor: Jim Ahn

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor L. MacKinnon called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, May 12, 2008 to order at 6:30P.M.

**1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

There were four (4) Amendments to the Agenda as follows:

- 4.3.4 – Bylaw Officer – Al Carroll (added)
- 4.2.6 – to be moved to 4.2.7
- 4.2.7 – to be moved to 4.2.6
- 4.4.4 - Support for the Regional Water Commission (added)

<b>106-08</b>	Councillor P. Marinus moved to accept the agenda for the May 12, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Fox Creek as amended. <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>
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**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

<b>107-08</b>	Councillor M. Campbell moved that the Minutes of the April 28, 2008 Regular Meeting of Council of the Town of Fox Creek be adopted as presented. <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>
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**3. DELEGATES**

There were no delegates.

**4. STANDING COMMITTEES**

**4.1 Community Services**

**4.1.1 Portfolio Chair Report**

There have been no meetings.

**4.1.2 Heart River Foundation**

Mayor L. MacKinnon was unable to attend the April 28th meeting, however the minutes are available for Council to review. The next meeting is Thursday, May 15, 2008 in High Prairie.

**4.1.3 Municipal Library Board**

Mayor L. MacKinnon reported that board member terms have been confirmed and letters of thanks for their desire to serve. There was no meeting in May.

**4.1.4 Peace Library Board**

Councillor B. Burrige attended a board meeting on Saturday May 10, 2008. In April the Peace Library Board held a conference in Jasper with the Premier Ed Stelmach announcing no more money from the Government for library boards. There was discussion of increasing net speed internet for libraries. Presently, a library located inside a school will already have the net speed through the School Boards. There is an Excellence in Library award where you can nominate your librarian; forms are available at the school. Mayor L. MacKinnon mentioned the Community Resource Centre Literacy Program is bringing the “Cow Bus” to Fox Creek on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**4.2 Finance, Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs****4.2.1 Portfolio Chair Report**

There was a working budget meeting following the Council meeting on April 28, 2008.

**4.2.2 Yellowhead East Community Futures**

Councillor J. Ahn report deferred to next meeting.

**4.2.3 Chamber of Commerce**

Mayor L. MacKinnon attended the last Chamber of Commerce meeting, which approved the “Shop Fox Creek” contest being held from April 29<sup>th</sup> through to May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**4.2.4 GAER (Grand Alberta Economic Region)**

The Town of Fox Creek hosted the GAER meeting on May 5, 2008 with twenty one members in attendance. An overview of activity in the GAER region was approved. Mayor L. MacKinnon explained that the Town of Fox Creek is one of thirteen municipalities on the GAER Board which share marketing and research strategies. The board discussed the closure of the Wyerhauser OSB plant and the difficult issues plaguing the Town of Drayton Valley. GAER has also been a leader in the province in acquiring funds for the Mountain Pine Beetle. The next meeting is June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**4.2.5 2008 Operating Budget Amendments**

Director of Finance F. MacLeod presented the 2008 Operating Budget Amendments report as a summary for the working budget meeting which included actual amounts of Education and Heart River requisitions.

<b>108-08</b>	Councillor B. Burrige moved that Council accept the amendments to the 2008 operating budget for a total operating budget of \$5,531,329.00. <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>
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**4.2.7 Bylaw 671-2008 – To appoint Dennis Egyedy as Chief Administrative Officer**

Mayor L. MacKinnon presented Bylaw 671-2008 to appoint Dennis Egyedy as the Chief Administrative Officer.

<b>109-08</b>	First reading of Bylaw No. 671-2008 moved by Councillor P. Marinus. <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>
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**110-08** Second reading of Bylaw No. 671-2008 moved by Councillor B. Burrige.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**111-08** Councillor B. Burrige moved that Bylaw No. 671-2008 be presented for Third and Final Reading.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**112-08** Third and Final reading of Bylaw No. 671-2008 moved by Councillor L. Beloin.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **4.2.6 Bylaw 672-2008 – To authorize the rates of taxation for the 2008 taxation year**

Director of Finance F. MacLeod presented Council with Bylaw 672-2008 to authorize the Rates of Taxation for the 2008 Taxation Year.

**113-08** First reading of Bylaw No. 672-2008 moved by Councillor P. Marinus.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**114-08** Second reading of Bylaw No. 672-2008 moved by Councillor B. Burrige.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**115-08** Councillor M. Campbell moved that Bylaw No. 672-2008 be presented for third and final reading.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**116-08** Third and final reading of Bylaw No. 672-2008 moved by Councillor L. Beloin.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **4.3 Protective Services**

#### **4.3.1 Portfolio Chair Report**

Councillor L. Beloin attended the Protective Services meeting on May 5, 2008. The Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB) made a presentation on toxic spills and emergency response. The RCMP are reviewing existing yield signs and will report back to Council.

Councillor L. Beloin discussed the quads and the property damage. It was agreed that an advertising campaign would commence to identify the shortest routes, speed limit, and appropriate driving trails. The next meeting is on Monday June 2, 2008.

#### **4.3.2 Disaster Services Committee**

There was no meeting.

#### **4.3.3 Fire Smart Committee**

The next Fire Smart meeting is Tuesday May 13, 2008.

#### **4.3.4 Bylaw Officer – Al Carroll**

Bylaw Officer Al Carroll presented his report for the month of April, 2008. Mr. Carroll has been monitoring truck parking along Highway Avenue and issued four tickets. One complaint regarding an open campfire was received and discussed with Fire Chief Tim Pratt. There is a draft Fire Protection Bylaw that will address backyard fire pits.

#### **4.4 Property Services**

##### **4.4.1 Portfolio Chair Report**

Councillor L. Beloin and Councillor M. Campbell attended Property Services meeting on Friday May 9, 2008. The campgrounds will be open for Thursday May 15, 2008. It was discussed that the RCMP need a quad to assist with enforcement. Complaints regarding the brown water last weekend was a result of the Fire Department hooking up to hydrants without informing Public Works. The tennis court opening was delayed due to the need for new posts purchase. Ms. Dunnigan has a tentative donation for new posts coming from the University of Alberta Saville Sport Centre.

##### **4.4.2 Municipal Planning Commission**

Councillor L. Beloin attended the meeting and Mayor L. MacKinnon requested that the minutes from the MPC meetings be included in the monthly council packages.

##### **4.4.3 Greenview Regional Waste Management**

Councillor M. Campbell attended a meeting on May 1, 2008 in the MD of Greenview Council Chambers. Director of Operations O. Farnel explained that an audit had not been completed and would be presented at the next GRWM meeting June 5, 2008. A proposed budget for 2008, included revising tipping fees. Mr. Farnel requested a Town review of the GRWM agreement at the next council meeting.

##### **4.4.4 Support Regional Water Commission**

Mayor L. MacKinnon gave a verbal report stating that the Town of Valleyview, Town of Fox Creek, and the M.D. of Greenview have formed a steering committee for a Regional Water Commission. Provincial grants are available for underground water, however, it is not a practical solution. Mayor L. MacKinnon asked for a motion to join the commission.

**117-08** Councillor L. Beloin moved that the Town of Fox Creek be part of the Regional Water Commission.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **5. Mayor's Corner**

##### **5.1 Mayor's Report**

Mayor L. MacKinnon attended the Mountain Pine Beetle presentation and is pleased to announce that we had no beetle sightings within the town boundaries. There is a meeting on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. with the M.D., Northern Gateway School Board and the Town Council to discuss the \$500,000.00 capital funding. Mayor L. MacKinnon received an email entitled "One Step at a Time" from Brandi Bedson who is challenging anyone who would like to shave their head for cancer. To date three grade 8 boys, a 19 year old, all of the RCMP, and Jeannie Buckmaster are participating the event being held June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 at 9 a.m.

##### **5.2 Correspondence for Council information**

Mayor L. MacKinnon asked Council if there was any discussion or questions on the correspondence.

**118-08** Councillor P. Marinus moved that Council accept the correspondence as information.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Mayor L. MacKinnon called at short recess at 7:25 p.m.  
Mayor L. MacKinnon called the meeting back to order at 7:44 p.m.**

**6. IN CAMERA SESSION**

<b>119-08</b>	Councillor M. Campbell moved to go “In Camera” at 7:45 p.m.
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<b>120-08</b>	Councillor M. Campbell moved to come out of “in Camera” at 8:10 p.m.
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**7. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

<b>121-08</b>	Councillor L. Beloin moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 P.M. <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>
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Leora MacKinnon  
Mayor

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Dennis Egyedy  
Chief Administrative Officer