

MINUTES
OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF
THE VILLAGE OF FERINTOSH
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 13TH, 2010
IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE
COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM

Present Mayor Marvin Jassman
Councillor Ron Dyck
Councillor Bernice Westfall
CAO Ray Hook

1. Order Mayor Jassman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Agenda

Res. 01/10 Moved by Councillor Dyck that the agenda be adopted. **Carried**

3. Delegations Dallas Dyson MSI Coordinator spoke about the revised MSP and hopefully discuss how we can proceed further with this process. It would be ideal to see a small group (5-6) formed within the community that could take on some of these tasks, but based on the turnout at the last meeting that might be challenging. If not we can look at working with other community groups already existing to help accomplish some tasks. This would be ideal so that you and Council do not have to be the only ones that are working towards achieving the goals in the plan and so that some capacity is being built in the community. Dallas asked by Council to make initial contact with the Village's community groups to solicit volunteers. Council will retain overall responsibility. CAO Hook to provide a list of contacts to Dallas.

4. Previous Minutes

Res. 02/10 Moved by Mayor Jassman that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, 16 December 2009, be approved. **Carried**

5. Financial Report

CAO Hook presented the Monthly Statement of Income & Expenditures for the period ending December 31st, 2009.

Res. 03/10 Moved by Councillor Bernice Westfall that the financial statements be accepted as presented. **Carried**

6. Unfinished Business

- a. An update on the status of the MSP Grant Cooperative project – Sewer Flush Truck project was delivered. Bashaw is awaiting Council decisions from two villages. Five villages and the County have already approved their participation. No further action required at this point.
- b. New garbage bins for the FDRA / Rec Centre will be funded (to a maximum of \$1500) by the Village, but purchased by the FDRA. The Village will need to be consulted on final selection for ease of emptying on garbage day. Village Foreman will liaise with the FDRA.

- c. CAO Hook provided a copy of the letter to the Ferintosh Flyers Hockey Team outlining Council's decision not to support their proposed use of the curling club as an ice surface for hockey or skating.
- d. CAO reported that the GST Rebates for 2008 and 2009 were applied for, and the refund of approximately \$34,000 can be expected by mid to late February 2010. These funds can be used to offset future GST charges for the completion of the water main project and other grant funded projects, and go towards general revenues. Decision to be made during final budget meetings. (See Item 8d).
- e. A representative from AB Transportation met with the CAO on Jan 13th to assist CAO with finalizing paperwork for the 2009 grant funding under AMIP (Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Plan) and to finalize most 2010 requests that were required under Council's Capital development plan (MYCIP).

7. Correspondence

Information Items:

- a. A letter of appreciation was received from Friends of Little Beaver Lake re Grant Funding for their 2010 projects.
- b. The Battle River Watershed Alliance are soliciting a donation for their "Invest" fund. CAO Hook was directed to send a cheque for \$96 on behalf of the Village.
- c. A letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs was received, outlining Government expectations for 2010 funding – in general, most villages will receive close to the 2009 levels.

8. New Business

- a. Two proposals for a Village Recycling Project were brought to Council for deliberation. While Council was in favour of adopting a recycling service for the Village, there were several questions raised. CAO to investigate further, specifically – is the price fixed for the 5 year term of the contract; what escape clauses are there, should the Village wish to opt out after a trial period; is there a higher charge for businesses? The CAO was directed to bring the answers and a draft By Law to the February meeting for a decision.
- b. The annual Camrose County Letter of Understanding (for cost recovery of provided Municipality Planning Services from the County) was read and discussed. CAO and Mayor to sign the agreement and CAO to pay the invoice, as per the budget.
- c. Council has been directed to come up with a plan for the Reclamation of Village Groundwater Systems in a letter from The Environment Ministry (letter attached). There are several options to consider, in that the Village may opt to keep a well open, in accordance with the restrictions provided. Council directed the CAO to come up with a draft plan (project timelines, scope of work and estimated costs) for the March 10th Council meeting. Mayor Jassman has offered to assist the Village Foreman with this task.
- d. Council set dates for future Multi-Year Capital Infrastructure Planning (MYCIP) and 2010 Budget meetings. First meeting will be Wed Jan 20th at 1:00pm in the Village Office. Follow-on meetings as needed.

- e. A Village Representative is needed for the combined Property Assessment Appeal Review Board for area Villages. Training will be funded by the group on an equitable basis.

Res. 04/10 Moved by Councilor Westfall that Councilor Dyck be appointed as the Village Representative. **Carried**

9. **In Camera Session**

The Chair moved Council In Camera at 8:55 p.m.

The Chair moved Council Out of Camera at 9:01p.m.

10. **Other Business**

Res.05 /10 Moved by Mayor Jassman that the letter of offer of employment to Mr. Grant Johnson for the position of CAO for the Village be approved. The offer is effective as of April 1, 2010. **Carried**

11. **Adjournment**

There being no further business for Council to address, Mayor Jassman adjourned the meeting at 9:02p.m.

Approved 10 February 2010

Mayor Marvin Jassman

CAO Ray Hook