

COUNTY COUNCIL

May 10, 2016

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on May 10, 2016. In attendance were R. Ford, P. Jensen, G. Krokosh, D. Cody, D. Heggie, R. Taylor, R. Jones, Intern D. Christensen, Ag Fieldman J. Meeks, Superintendent L. Liebelt and Administrator S. Hathaway

Reeve R. Ford called the meeting to order at 8:53 a.m.

MINUTES
(16-05-01)

R. Jones moved to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held April 19, 2016 as presented.

Carried.

ADOPTION OF THE
AGENDA
(16-05-02)

R. Taylor moved to add the following to the agenda:

- Accident
- Fort McMurray
- Chief Mountain Trust
- Post Office
- Surplus Grader

Carried.

GOLD SPRING PARK
(16-05-03)

R. Taylor moved that the County begin the process to obtain the new disposition for a waterline for Gold Spring Park up to a value of \$10,000

Carried.

ACTION TRACKING
(16-05-04)

R. Cody moved to receive the Action Tracking report as information.

Carried.

AG SERVICE REPORT
(16-05-05)

P. Jensen moved to accept the Ag Service Board report as information.

Carried.

TRANSBOUNDARY
TOUR
(16-05-06)

R. Tylor moved that Administration try to arrange a meeting with Cardston County Council between July 5-8, 2016 at Ridge Park to discuss the Tour.

Carried.

MILK RIVER
WATERSHED COUNCIL
AGM
(16-05-07)

D. Cody moved that the County donate an item up to \$500 to the Milk River Watershed Council for their AGM.

Carried.

(16-05-08)

R. Jones moved that any Councillor that R. Ford, D. Cody, R. Taylor and P. Jensen attend the Milk River Watershed Council AGM.

Carried.

(16-05-09)

R. Jones moved that Nelson and Paula Doenz be nominated for the Milk River Watershed Council Environmental Stewardship Award.

Carried.

WETLAND
SETTLEMENT POND
(16-05-10)

D. Heggie moved to accept the presented items as information.

Carried.

ASB SHOP
(16-05-11)

R. Jones moved to accept the presented items as information.

Carried.

J. Meeks left the meeting at 9:53 a.m.

ADMINISTRATORS
REPORT
(16-05-12)

D. Heggie moved to accept the administrators report as information.

Carried.

INTERN REPORT
(16-05-13)

D. Cody moved to accept the Municipal Interns report as information.

Carried.

SURPLUS GRADER
(16-05-14)

G. KROKOSH moved to sell the surplus grader to Headwater Equipment for \$100,000 and further move that the surplus equipment policy be reviewed and recommended changes be brought back to council for consideration.

Carried.

HIGHWAYS
(16-05-15)

R. Jones moved that administration get in contact with Alberta Transportation to raise concerns with Highway 504 and 877 when it rains as well as raise concern over the Highway 4 and 36 intersection after this recent fatality.

Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT
(16-10-16)

P. Jensen moved to accept the Public Works report as information.

Carried.

RECESS

R. Ford called for a recess at 10:35 a.m.

R. Ford called the meeting back to order at 10:45 a.m. with L. Liebelt no longer in attendance and R. Shaw in attendance.

BANK RECONCILIATION
(16-05-17)

R. Jones moved to accept the March 31, 2016 Bank Reconciliation as information.

Carried.

CHEQUE REGISTER
(16-05-18)

R. Taylor moved to receive the Schedule of Disbursements in the amount of \$2,006,376.33 as information.

Carried.

COUNCILLOR
REMUNERATION
(16-15-19)

R. Jones moved to accept the Councillor remuneration report as information.

Carried.

R. Shaw left the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

DIVISIONAL REPORTS

D. Cody- reported that he attended the Border Seed Cleaning meeting where they are now sitting in a positive financial position. Also reported that the plant will be doing some organic seed cleaning as well they reviewed what repairs are required at the plant. D. Cody also attended the Badlands Conference where the two positions for our area had elections so our new reps are G.Bohne from Raymond and B. Elfring from MD of Taber. They reported that 4.4 million visitors went through the badlands this year bringing in \$558 million in tourism revenue.

R. Taylor – Attended the Water Quality Stewardship meeting were they reported that the Alberta Environment Compliance branch will be working with M. Turner. Chief Mountain Regional Solid waste will also be discussing a new Trust agreement and this has been provided to Council for review. Once the Chief Mountain Board discusses the document it will be coming back to our Council for Approval. Also attended was a New Dayton Community meeting where there is a lot of concern regarding the Post Office in the Community. They would like to have 24 hour access to their mail boxes and there is concerns with non delivery of mail.

G. Krokosh – attended the Community Planning Conference in Red Deer with the best presentation being done by the student planners and discussing the ways that technology can be used and new planning ideas for the future.

P. Jensen – Attended the Ridge Country Housing meeting where everything is focused around the construction of the new building in Raymond. Also attended the Planning Conference where he reported on a good presentation regarding annexation. Also attended was the Mayors and Reeves meeting where the presentation regarding coal energy was very well received. Also had presentations on the County of Lethbridge new Tax, and Alberta Health Services.

R. Ford – Had a call from G Hunter asking what the County was doing for Fort McMurray, it was discussed that the County is encouraging people to donate to the Red Cross. Also had a discussion with the previous caretaker for Gold Spring Park and wanted to pass the message on to County staff the appreciation for all the work they have done at the park. Attended the Heritage Handi-Bus meeting where the Town of Milk River has taken over the bookings and the Village of Coutts has taken over the accounting. They are also going to be selling the Honda Bus. Also attended was the Biodiversity Meeting in Lethbridge where all the Counties in attendance had concerns over the proposed policy and are recommending that the Province start over. Attended the school modernization meeting in Milk River where it was evident that the Province has a plan for the school to “right size it” and there will be no changing their minds. R. Ford also brought up the recent announcement of the Prime Minister removing the objector status on the rights of indigenous people at the United Nations.

(16-05-20)

R. Taylor moved to accept the reports as presented.

Carried.

NEW DAYTON POST
OFFICE
(16-05-21)

R. Taylor moved that the County of Warner send a letter to Canada Post raising the concerns that were brought up by the community.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE
(16-05-22)

R. Jones moved to accept the correspondence as information.

Carried.

FORT MCMURRAY
(16-05-23)

R. Jones moved to donate the same amount to Fort McMurray as was donated to Slave Lake and if nothing was donated bring back to the next Council meeting.

Carried

SUMMER MGA SESSIONS
(16-05-24)

D. Cody moved that Council attend the Summer MGA Sessions if they are available.

Carried.

ORRSC SURVEY
(16-05-25)

R. Jones move that Administration complete the ORRSC Survey.

Carried.

GENESIS AGREEMENT
(16-05-26)

R. Tylor moved that the County sign the new GENESIS Subscribers agreement.

Carried.

ELKS HALL LETTER OF SUPPORT
(16-05-27)

R. Jones moved that the County of Warner send a letter of support for the Elks Hall upgrade grant application.

Carried.

UNSIGHTLY PROPERTY
(16-05-28)

D. Heggie moved to instruct Administration to have the Community Peace Officers proceed with the next step in dealing with the unsightly property.

Carried.

RECESS

R. Ford called a recess at 12:20 p.m.

R. Ford Called the meeting back to order at 12:45 p.m.

2016 BUDGET
(16-05-29)

P. Jensen moved to use \$200,000 from the Highway reserve for the 2016 budget.

Carried.

(16-05-30)

D. Cody moved to use the 2015 recreation dollars for the 2016 budget but adjust the Milk River requisition to \$24,500

Carried.

(16-05-31)

R. Taylor moved to approve the 2016 Budget as amended.

Carried.

EMERGENCY SERVICE PERSONNEL RECOGNITION
(16-05-32)

D. Cody moved to accept the provided documents as information and to bring the policy back to the next retreat.

Carried.

ADJOURN
(16-05-33)

R. Taylor moved to adjourn at 1:01 p.m.

Carried.

Reeve

Administrator