

COUNTY COUNCIL

January 15, 2018

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on January 15, 2018. In attendance were P. Jensen, R. Taylor, D. Cody, S. Rodgers, M. Rockenbach, D. Heggie, Superintendent L. Liebelt and Administrator S. Hathaway

Deputy Reeve P. Jensen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES
(18-01-01)

D. Cody moved to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held December 19, 2017 as presented. Carried.

ADOPTION OF THE
AGENDA
(18-01-02)

D. Heggie moved broadband committee be added to the agenda. Carried.

ACTION TRACKING
(18-01-03)

R. Taylor moved to accept the Action Tracking report as information. Carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S
REPORT
(18-01-04)

M. Rockenbach moved to accept the Administrator's report as presented. Carried.

MLA HUNTER

MLA Grant Hunter arrived at the meeting at 9:12 a.m. He wanted to introduce himself to the new Council. He also reviewed the work he has done on the new OH&S legislation as well as a discussion on the farm and ranch worker, working group report. MLA Hunter also reviewed the changing electoral zones and asked that the County send him more information on the assessment issues. MLA Hunter left the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

PUBLIC WORKS
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT
(18-01-05)

D. Heggie moved to accept the Public Works Superintendent's report as presented. Carried.

DIVISIONAL REPORTS

D. Cody – reported that he attended the Sustainable Farm Families workshop and also attended the Elected Officials Training which was really good.

R. Taylor - reported that he attended the Muni's 101 course and there was good information provided. Chief Mountain had a CAO meeting as well as a board meeting on the same day. With the CAO's a review was done on the best practices report and recommendations were put forward to the Chief Mountain Board. At the board meeting the recommendations were reviewed and it was agreed to apply for an ACP grant to try to assist with the move forward. A new bobcat was ordered as per the budget.

R. Taylor left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

S. Rodgers – Attended the orientation meeting as well as Muni's 101 which was a good course and there is a lot to learn.

D. Heggie – attended the Sustainable Farm Families workshop which was really good. Also attended the Muni's 101 course.

M. Rockenbach – reported that he attended Muni's 101 course and the information was very beneficial to a new councillor. Also attended the Health and Safety meeting where things look to be running well, they are working on the recommendations from the last audit as well S. Sibley is training to become an auditor.

P. Jensen – attended the orientation meeting as well as Muni's 101. Also attended the Mayors and Reeves meeting where presentations were done by the government representatives in attendance. AHS reported on their role in a municipal disaster and the AUMA reported that they are going to leave the amalgamation resolution on the books just in case AAMDC changes their mind.

R. Ford – attended the Farm Health & Safety, last part of session, good program and should be promoted for our rate payers. Access to good health services can be a problem for some of us. Muni's 10 - good refresher course for me. Presented well and good format and now compliant with new MGA requirements. MRWCC Supply Management Meeting - met with Environment staff and discussed Letter of Intent and solutions to ongoing water supply issues. From what they tell us St. Mary's water will be able to be used to replenish Milk River. deficits as long as the U.S. accumulates a deficit prior to May 31. AENP will try to build more flexibility into Letter of Intent with Montana. Computer modelling has been done to show benefits of storage on Alberta side to whole system in which Montana would benefit. Other solutions are more accurate calculations and better communication with upstream activities. Milk River Water

Users meeting went well. Users are now organizing to form an association to start with. May become a district but with limited water security, no one would be willing to give up their water license to a District.

- (18-01-06) S. Rodgers moved to accept the Divisional Reports as presented. Carried.
- RECESS
P. Jensen called for a recess at 10:15 a.m.
P. Jensen called the meeting back to order at 10:21 a.m.
- D. NILSSON
WRENTHAM FIRE
D. Nilsson entered the meeting at 10:22 a.m. and went over the year that the Wrentham Volunteer Fire Department had. About \$95,000 was raised this past year that went to the purchase of a new rescue truck and rescue tools. They are purchasing a cascade system for the rescue truck as well as an air compressor for their fire hall to fill BA bottles. They have concerns regarding their BA's so they are looking at trying to replace 8 of them this year. There is a concern with the way that the fuel is set up for the fire department so he asked if the County would look at other options. There was also a plug for the hiring of a County fire chief. D. Nilsson left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

L. Liebelt left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

R. Shaw entered the meeting at 10:52 a.m.
- BANK RECONCILIATION
(18-01-07) D. Cody moved to accept the Bank Reconciliation dated December 31, 2017 as information. Carried.
- CHEQUE REGISTER
(18-01-08) S. Rodgers moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$742,316.33 as information. Carried.
- FINANCIAL STATEMENT
(18-01-09) M. Rockenbach moved to accept the financial statement dated December 31, 2017 as information. Carried.

R. Shaw left the meeting at 10:56 a.m.
- CORRESPONDENCE
(18-01-10) D. Heggie moved to accept the correspondence as information. Carried.
- AUDITOR LETTER
(18-01-11) S. Rodgers moved to sign the auditor letter for the 2017 audit process. Carried.
- STIRLING SUBSTATION
UPGRADE
(18-01-12) M. Rockenbach moved to send respond to ALTALINK with no concerns with the proposed upgrade at the substation. Carried.
- ROAD ALLOWANCE
REQUEST
(18-01-13) D. Heggie moved that administration investigate what is required to sell this title to the neighbouring landowner due to the fact that it is in the Raymond Fringe area. Carried.
- EMERGENCY SERVICES
APPRECIATION NIGHT
(18-01-14) S. Rodgers moved that the Emergency Services Appreciation night be scheduled for March 16th at the Warner's Elks Hall. Carried.
- COMMUNITY
PLANNING
CONFERENCE
(18-01-15) D. Cody moved that 4 spots be booked for the Community Planning Conference April 30th to May 2nd. Carried.
- BROADBAND
COMMITTEE
(18-01-16) D. Cody moved to inform L. Rolfe that the County will not be putting anyone on the Broadband Committee but would like to hear the progress the committee makes. Carried.
- ADJOURN
(18-01-17) D. Heggie moved to adjourn meeting at 11:22 a.m. Carried.

Reeve

Administrator