

Council Minutes – Regular Meeting of June 23, 2009

A) Call to Order

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council for the Village of Delburne, held Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 5:12 P.M. in the Village Office with the following being present.

Mayor: Bob Manning
Councillors: Jeff Bourne – arrived @ 5:52 PM
Raymond Reckseidler
Sandra Paradon
Kathy Faulk

Municipal Administrator: Karen Fegan
Assistant Administrator: Janice McWhan

B) Adoption of Agenda

#2009-168 R. RECKSEIDLER: That the Agenda for the June 23, 2009 Regular Meeting of Council for the Village of Delburne be adopted as amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) Confirmation of Previous Council Minutes

1) June 9, 2009 Regular Council Meeting
#2009-169 S. PARADON: That the Minutes of the June 9, 2009 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) Business Arising from the Minutes

1. A letter was sent to the concerned commercial property owner regarding vacant lots.
2. The tax concern was passed on to Wildrose Assessment. Brad Koopmans had a meeting with the property owner and explained the assessment and the reasons for it.
3. Alberta Animal Services was contacted regarding the ~~after-hours~~ ^{after-hours} and non-patrol day calls.
4. A letter was sent to the resident with the concern of the gravel over the water valve.

D) Delegations

1) Allan Weiss – Red Deer County Fire: 7:00 PM
Mr. Weiss presented Council with the new Fire Services Agreement with Red Deer County. Once this agreement is signed it will be reviewed on an annual basis and will only have to be changed if the attached schedules need to be changed.

B JF

E)

Correspondence

#2009-170 K. FAULK: That Council receives 7 items of correspondence for information and possible further action.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1) Concerned Resident

A resident sent in a letter concerning the taxes prior to their purchase of the residence. They are requesting a break on the penalties that were added to their taxes.

#2009-171 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council direct Administration to contact the lawyers at AUMA regarding this request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Tax Request

Council received a letter regarding a concern on a residential property.

#2009-172 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council direct Administration to write a letter to the resident stating that they will take the suggestions under advisement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Parkland Community Planning Services – Annual Report

Council received a copy of the 2008 – 2009 Annual Report from Parkland Community Planning Services.

5:52 PM Jeff Bourne arrived at the meeting.

4) CAEP – Regional Message Implementation

Council received a copy of the CAEP – Regional Message Implementation Report.

5) albertaFirst – June Newsletter

Council received the albertaFirst June 2009 newsletter.

6) Community Engagement Site - Sundre

The Town of Sundre is having presentations on how “Going Green” is practiced in the Oil and Gas Industry at the Sundre Petroleum Operators Group Neighbors Day. The exhibits will take place in the Sundre Arena and the Curling Rink. The Sundre Community Engagement Site is promoting the video conferencing as a green communication tool and there are events planned in conjunction with Neighbors Day.

7) CAEP Video Clip Profiles

Central Alberta Economic Partnership is promoting Central Alberta through video clip profiles. Each member of CAEP will have an opportunity to work with iMediaTV to create videos that identify their respective investment attraction.

F) Unfinished Business

1) Utility Rates

The utility rates at the present time are not covering the costs of providing the utilities. The water charges were broken down into the base rate and the consumption charge. The base rate should be covering 75% of the cost to provide the water to the residents with the consumption rates bringing in the rest. Based on 2008 charges, the base rate is only covering 26% of the cost to provide the water. The consumption charges cover 58% and taxes cover the rest.

Increasing the base rate over a six or seven year period to bring the base rate up to covering 75% would not put a huge burden on the residents all at once.

#2009-173 J. BOURNE: That Council approve an increase to the base rate of water by \$1.50 to bring the base rate to \$10.85 as of August 1, 2009 for both residential and commercial.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Court of Revision

There is a formal process that must take place before a Court of Revision date can be set.

#2009-174 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council rescind motion #2009-165 from the June 9, 2009 Council meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Taxes for Roll # 2560

#2009-175 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council table pending further information. Administration will speak to the land owner regarding the options.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4) Website Update

The website is ready to go live. Council is quite impressed with the progress.

#2009-176 S. PARADON: That Council approve the launching of the website.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) New Business

1) Alberta Animal Services Contract

The yearly contract ~~from~~ ^{with} Alberta Animal Services is up for renewal. It will be affective from June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010.

#2009-177 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council approve the contract to be ^{with} affective from June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010 with the following amendments: "Vet" to be spelled out as "Veterinarian" and "wishes" to be removed from the contract.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#2009-178 S. PARADON: That Council direct Administration to look into the fees and charges bylaw regarding the charges for extra patrols being passed on to the animal owners.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Water Treatment Plant Reservoir

Administration showed Council the pictures that were taken of the water reservoir when Aqua Tech Diving was in the reservoir to do the maintenance check.

3) Fire Department – Standard Operating Guidelines

Mr. Dave Grant has put together the Standard Operating Guidelines for the Fire Department.

#2009-179 J. BOURNE: That Council approves, in principal, the Standard Operating Guidelines for the Delburne Fire Department.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4) Red Deer County – Fire Services Agreement

#2009-180 K. FAULK: That Council approves the Fire Services Agreement with Red Deer County.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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H) Accounts Payable
For Information Only

I) Committee and Board Reports

- 1) FCSS Regional – May 5, 2009 Minutes: Mayor Manning reported on the May 5, 2009 meeting.
- 2) Delburne Neighborhood Place – May 26, 2009 Minutes: Mayor Manning reported on the May 26, 2009 Neighborhood Place meeting.
- 3) Red Deer FCSS – June 2, 2009 Minutes: Mayor Manning reported on the June 2, 2009 FCSS meeting.
- 4) Neighborhood Place – June 15, 2009 Minutes: Mayor Manning circulated the minutes from the June 15, 2009 meeting.
- 5) Highway 21/Boomtown Trail: Councillor Reckseidler reported on the last meeting.

J) Administrative Reports

- 1) Financial Report: will be presented at the next council meeting.
- 2) Complaints: a) weeds complaint – the property of Plan 1923HW-Block 26-Lot 10 has a horrible weed problem. A letter will be sent to the land owner to have the lot cleaned up or the Village will clean it up at the owner's expense.

#2009-181 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council accept the Administrator's Report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

K) General Discussion

- 1) Golf Tournament Update
- 2) Auditors for Municipalities
- 3) Community Engagement Site

#2009-182 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council move ~~past the hour~~ ^{to meet beyond the normal meeting time.}
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 4) Cemetery

#2009-183 R. RECKSEIDLER: That Council approve funding of \$4000.00 to the Delburne Cemetery Board for operating expenses.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 5) Library Addition Opening

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L) Adjournment

#2009-184 K. FAULK: That the meeting adjourn.
9:18PM CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Robert M. Manning
Mayor



Karen M. Fegan, CT
Chief Administrative Officer