

COUNTY COUNCIL

April 9, 2009

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on April 9, 2009. In attendance were Reeve R. Jones, R. Ford, W. Cunningham, R. Taylor, G. Krokosh, J. Meeks Sr, K. Palmer, Administrator A. Romeril, Superintendent R. Coppieters and CPO S. Simpson. Also present was Raymond's Director of Operational Services P. Lybbert.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES  
(09-04-01)

R. Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 17, 2009.

Carried.

ADDITIONS  
TO AGENDA  
(09-04-02)

K. Palmer moved to add the following items to the agenda:

AAMDC - Contact  
AAMDC - Rural Connectivity Series Article  
AAMDC - Changes to Scholarship Program  
AAMDC - Minister Hayden Thanks Membership - Bill 19  
News Release - Curb Speeding Drivers  
News Release - Intersection Safety Devices Now Active  
News Release - Fire Season Starts in Forested Areas  
BEW - FCSS Minutes  
FCM - Update on Federal Infrastructure Funding  
Bylaw 869-09 - Road Closure Bylaw  
Bylaw 870-09 - Rezoning Bylaw  
AAMDC - Survey on Educational Courses for Elected Officials  
2009 Preliminary Budget  
Educational Funding for Coutts Community School  
Administrator Evaluations

Carried.

RAYMOND  
SEWER TRUNK  
LOCATION

The Town of Raymond has requested to located a 250 mm sewer main to be placed in the County road allowance located in the NE 16-6-20-4. P. Lybbert was available to answer questions from Council.

(09-04-03)

K. Palmer moved to approve the location of a 250 mm sewer trunk line for approximately 1500 feet, to be placed within the road allowance which is located within the NE 16-6-20-4 and also to the north of the NE 16-6-20-4 on condition the Town of Raymond is responsible for any costs associated with the repair, relocation or replacement of the sewer pipes located within the road allowance if the County is ever required to upgrade the developed road.

Carried.

P. Lybbert left the meeting at 9:11 a.m.

PUBLIC WORKS  
REPORT

As presented by Superintendent R. Coppieters and it is attached.

P.W. RECORDS  
DISPOSAL  
04-04)

R. Taylor moved to approve the disposal of the following Public Works records as (09- per the County of Warner Record Retention Bylaw:

Daily Time Sheets - from 1995 - 2002  
Time Cards - from 1998 - 2005  
Accounts Receivables - from 1997 - 2001  
Overload Permits - from 1987 - 2000  
Vehicle Tenders - from 1999 - 2001  
Equipment Files - all files for equipment that are not owned  
Foreman Time Records - from 1994 - 2004  
Shop Work Orders - from 1998 - 2001.

Carried.

SPUR OIL  
HIGHWAY 4  
(09-04-05)

R. Taylor moved to notify Alberta Transportation that the County approves the installation of stops signs for the exit driveways from Spur Oil, place a 60 kph speed zone adjacent to the power poles affecting the immediate area, place no truck parking signs adjacent to the county road which borders Spur Oil, and further, recommend that an agreement be prepared where Spur Oil is responsible for the damage costs to the road pavement due to the excessive amount of truck traffic that will be turning onto the county road, and further the location is described a portion of the SE 21-2-16-4.

Carried.

2009 ROAD  
PROGRAM  
(09-04-06)

R. Ford moved to approve the 2009 Road Construction Program as presented and it is attached, and further, a road tour be scheduled for April 30, 2009 for the Councillors.

Carried.

TRANSFER  
STATION WIND  
SCREENING  
(09-04-07)

G. Krokosh moved to proceed with the repair and/or replacement of the wind screening material at the Wrentham and New Dayton Waste Transfer Stations.

Carried.

(09-04-08)

R. Ford moved to receive Superintendent R. Coppieter's report as presented.

Carried.

R. Coppieters left the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

CPO REPORT

As presented by CPO S. Simpson and it is attached.

AG EQUIPMENT  
TRANS. REGS.  
(09-04-09)

G. Krokosh moved to receive the information on the new rules, regulations and permits required to move over-dimensional farm equipment on Alberta roads.

Carried.

RURAL WATER  
COOP LINE  
CAVEATS  
(09-04-10)

R. Taylor moved to receive the Administration information on process and costs to transfer existing caveats for water lines operated by rural water coops into their names, and further, forward a letter to the Warner West Water Coop that the County will continue to forward calls for information/inquiries about the water coop to them, and further, request water coops to keep the County informed and updated of any contact name changes.

Carried.

RECESS

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 10:10 a.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 10:15 a.m.

STARS

Representative Bill Werny of STARS entered the meeting at 10:15 a.m. to present information regarding STARS services within the County of Warner. A power point presentation was viewed. It is anticipated that by mid 2011 the entire County of Warner will be covered by STARS Ambulance without a refueling stop. This will happen upon receiving the new helicopter. After a question and answer period B. Werny left the meeting at 10:46 a.m.

CPO SHOTGUN  
RECERTIFICATION

After a discussion on the need for CPO S. Simpson to maintain his shotgun re-certification, he will be attending the re-certification course held in Lac la Biche on May 11, 2009.

CPO PROGRAM  
POLICY AND  
PROCEDURES  
(09-04-11)

R. Taylor moved to receive the provincial information on the revisions to the Public Security Peace Officer Program Policy and Procedure Manual which allows more flexibility and authority while conducting duties and while working with other policing entities such as the RCMP, Sheriffs and Department of Transportation.

Carried.

CPO CAPITAL  
BUDGET

(09-04-12)

The need for a police video camera was presented for Council's consideration.

W. Cunningham moved to receive CPO S. Simpson's report as presented.

Carried.

CPO S. Simpson left the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

POLICING OPTION  
(09-04-13)

J. Meeks Sr moved that Administration investigate a new contractor policing option that is reported to be available throughout the province.

Carried.

POLICE VIDEO  
CAMERA  
(09-04-14)

W. Cunningham moved to approve the purchase of a police video camera for the County Peace Officer vehicle, and further, the cost is not to exceed that of \$6,500.

Carried.

LETHBRIDGE  
MOTORCYCLE  
CLUB  
(09-04-15)

J. Meeks moved to receive the letter from the Lethbridge Motorcycle Club regarding their efforts to remedy the County concerns over the operation at the Temple Hill Motocross Track, and further, the County forward a letter to them to clarify when the remedies will be put into place.

Carried.

REGIONAL  
POTABLE  
WATER COSTS  
(09-04-16)

G. Krokosh moved to support the concept of user pay for the proposed regional potable water lines and upgrades costs to the Hamlets of New Dayton and Wrentham residents if the regional potable water project is approved by the Province.

Carried.

(09-04-17)

R. Taylor moved to remove the rural portion of the Regional Potable Water Project costs from the regional study and further, request MPE to adjust the report and costing tables accordingly.

Carried.

LUNCH

Reeve R. Jones called a recess for lunch at 12:10 p.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 12:52 p.m.

W. Cunningham was not present when the meeting reconvened.

WILDLIFE  
AMENDMENT ACT  
(09-04-18)

K. Palmer moved to receive Administration's report on the Wildlife Amendment Act and there does not appear to be any more access granted to private lands than in the current act.

Carried.

VULCAN COUNTY  
RECYCLING  
(09-04-19)

R. Taylor moved to receive the information on the proposed Vulcan regional recycling project which is being investigated to determine its viability.

Carried.

RAYMOND  
AMBULANCE  
SOCIETY  
(09-04-20)

R. Taylor moved to propose to the Raymond and District Ambulance Society and the Town of Raymond that the current Raymond and District Ambulance Society bylaw be improved by including provisions for the distribution of any deficits to be prorated based on a population of the Town of Raymond and the County population served by the Raymond Ambulance District, and also a withdrawal/termination clause for the partners be incorporated into the Society's bylaw.

Carried.

MLA B. JACOBS  
(09-04-21)

G. Krokosh moved to meet with MLA B. Jacobs on May 19, 2009 and the following topics be discussed:

Possible STARS Ambulance in Lethbridge  
Regional Potable Water Study

Possible Sugar Tax

Provincial Municipal Auditor - Bill 202, and

Land Assembly Project Area Act - Bill 19.

Senior's Health Costs Update

Law Enforcement Review Update

Carried.

W. Cunningham re-entered the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

WRENTHAM  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER  
INSURANCE  
(09-04-22)

G. Krokosh moved to approve the letter, as amended, to the Wrentham Community Center regarding their property and liability insurance.

Carried.

LEAVITT DEVEL.  
AGREEMENT  
(09-04-23)

K. Palmer moved to approve and sign the Development Agreement between the County of Warner and Steven and Patricia Leavitt as presented.

Carried.

BILL 23 - ASSESS.  
& APPEALS  
(09-04-24)

W. Cunningham moved to receive the information on Bill 23 which deals with Assessment Complaint and Appeal System changes, and further, recommend to the province that the latest date for the distribution of assessment notices be changed from May 1<sup>st</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Carried.

CHIEF MOUNTAIN  
WASTE BUDGET  
(09-04-25)

G. Krokosh moved to approve the 2009 Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority budget with the County of Warner's contribution to be \$76,122.28.

Carried.

ROBERT HEGGIE  
TRUCKING LTD.  
LEASE  
(09-04-26)

W. Cunningham moved to approve and sign the lease agreement between the County of Warner and the Robert Heggie Trucking Ltd for the portion of the county land west of the drain and the parcel of land is described as Area K, Plan 0713774.

Carried.

Ag Fieldman J. Meeks Jr entered the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

BILL 19 - LAND  
ASSEMBLY ACT  
(09-04-27)

R. Ford moved to forward a letter to the AAMDC asking for clarification on the process of debating the Bill 19 emergent resolution and why no delegate was allowed to speak in favor of the motion which was to postpone the government passing the bill.

Carried.

CHIN PARK  
PROPOSED  
CONTRACT  
(09-04-28)

K. Palmer moved to decline M. Simpson's proposed contract to operate Chin Park due to a possible perceived conflict of interest.

Carried.

J. Meeks Jr left the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

GRAZING LEASE  
(09-04-29)

G. Krokosh moved to approve the grazing/hay lease with W. Kaupp for the 74.6 acres within a portion of the SE 32-5-18-4 for annual fee of \$700.

Carried.

COUTTS  
COMMUNITY  
SCHOOL  
(09-04-30)

R. Ford moved to support in principle, up to a maximum of \$10,000, to be raised from the Coutts Recreation District, to be used to help support the cost of education at the Coutts Community School, on condition the same amounts be matched individually by the Village of Coutts and the Coutts Recreation Board, and further any remaining monies required be obtained from the student's parents or from any other sources available.

Carried.

RECESS

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 2:52 p.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 3:05 p.m.

BYLAW 869-09  
HIRSCHE

A Public Hearing was held for the road closure bylaw. No persons were in attendance and no comments were received from affected parties. Not all utility companies have provided letters indicating they have no utilities within the proposed road closure area. A second request has been sent.

(09-04-31)

R. Taylor moved to give second reading to Bylaw 869-09, a bylaw to close and sell the undeveloped road allowance within Block 187 in Plan 4489J, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009.

Carried.

BYLAW 870-09  
RE-ZONING  
(09-04-32)

G. Krokosh moved to give first reading to Bylaw 870-09, a bylaw which re-zones 50 acres of land within the N ½ 6-5-19-4 from Extensive Agriculture to Group Country Residential, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2009.

Carried.

2009 COUNTY  
BUDGET  
(09-04-33)

R. Taylor moved to receive the preliminary 2009 County Budget information and support an approximate 7% reduction in the 2009 millrate over 2008.

Carried.

COMMITTEE  
REPORTS

G. Krokosh - The AAMDC Spring Convention was very informative. Continuing Education program is moving forward. The meeting with Horizon was a brainstorming session on how to improve education. Concerns over rural busing times were expressed.

R. Ford - A Coutts Community School meeting was attended where discussion over the future of the school are a concern due to the teacher student ratio. A few improvement projects were considered by the Coutts Recreation Board. Bill 19 and cattle rustling were topics discussed at the Grain Hall meeting. The Water Economic Development meeting reviewed the water available, access to it, associated long term factors and the goal of a 30% reduction in water use.

K. Palmer - The Community Planners Conference was attended in Red Deer where one topic included the important economic factors of homes built around golf courses was discussed.

R. Jones - A meeting was attended with the Town of Raymond to discuss the ambulance future and contract with Alberta Health Services. The Annual County General Health and Safety meeting was attended and very good instructions was given to staff

(09-04-34) R. Ford moved to receive the Committee Reports as presented. Carried.

ALBERTA  
HEALTH  
SERVICES  
(09-04-35)

R. Taylor moved to approve the attendance of R. Jones at the Alberta Health Services meeting in Lethbridge on April 28, 2009. Carried.

IN-CAMERA  
(09-04-36)

G. Krokosh moved to go in-camera at 3:47 p.m. Carried.

(09-04-37) R. Ford moved to revert to regular session at 4:05 p.m. Carried.

ADJOURN  
(09-04-38)

R. Ford moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 p.m. Carried.

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Reeve

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Administrator