

COUNTY COUNCIL

May 5, 2009

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on May 5, 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.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

MINUTES
(09-05-01)

W. Cunningham moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 21, 2009 as amended.

Carried.

MOTION
09-04-52
AMENDED

Motion 09-04-52 should read G. Krokosh moved to leave Chin Park operation in the hands of the Ag Service Board for this year due to labor advantages and look at a possible operating contract over the winter.

ADDITIONS
TO AGENDA
(09-04-02)

R. Ford moved to add the following items to the agenda:

AAMDC - Contact
AAMDC - Bill 36 - Alberta Land Stewardship Act
AAMDC - National Do Not Call List - Municipal Exemption Granted
AAMDC - Call for Input - Impact of Forestry Crisis in Alberta
Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority Minutes
Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority - Rules Change
Water For Economic Development in Southgrow Region-Final Report
RCMP Newsletter - Between the Lines
Alberta Parliamentary Digest
MSI Funding Program Changes
Wrentham Water Treatment Plant Inspection
Assessment, Mill Rate and Taxation Schedule
Delco Ditch
Proposed Dog Control Policy
CPO Summer Hours
Bill 19 Response from AAMDC

Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT

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

MISC. TOPICS

Other items discussed included road repairs require on the road east of Section 25-6-20-4, repairs on the road north and east of Milk River under the Highway 4 construction contract, and dust control concerns in Township 1, Range 17, West of the Fourth.

ROAD TOUR
(09-05-03)

J. Meeks Sr. moved to approve the date of May 26, 2009 to hold the County road tour starting at 9:00 a.m.

Carried.

TRANSFER
STATION
WIND FENCES

The contract cost to repair the wind fences at the Wrentham and News Dayton waste transfer sites is \$7,100 and will be conducted as soon as possible.

DELCO DITCH
(09-05-04)

G. Krokosh moved to approve Public Works to place a culvert under the east west road to drain the water north and the location is described as north of Section 8-6-17-4.

Carried.

J. HIRONAKA
STIRLING DRAIN
(09-05-05)

R. Taylor moved to recommend that J. Hironaka be invited to attend the Ag Service Board meeting on May 12, 2009 to discuss his drainage concerns in relation to the Stirling Drain.

Carried.

SPUR OIL SITE
(09-05-06)

R. Taylor moved that Administration contact Spur Oil and try to formalize an agree-
agreement where damages to the future asphalt road surface to the east of their
facility be the responsibility of Spur Oil.

Carried.

(09-05-07)

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

Carried.

R. Coppieters left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

CPO REPORT

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

ROAD DAMAGE

The road damage located east of Section 2-7-18-4 was reviewed and the parties were
advised to not farm or burn the road allowance in the future.

FIREMAN'S
HOURLY RATE
(09-05-08)

R. Taylor moved to contact the towns and villages to see if they would support an
increase to the hourly rate (suggested rate of approximately \$20/hour) for the
volunteer fire fighters.

Carried.

RECESS

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 10:30 a.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 10:42 a.m.

WFR FIRE
AND RESCUE
(09-05-09)

R. Ford moved that the County pay the extra \$350 from WFR (Wholesale Fire and
Rescue) for the extra trip required to install the Coutts breathing apparatus filling
station.

Carried.

LETHBRIDGE
MOTORCYCLE
CLUB
(09-05-10)

R. Taylor moved to receive the Administrator's update on the Lethbridge Motorcycle
Club application for a development permit and how they may address the concerns
of the neighbors surrounding the track.

Carried.

DOG CONTROL
BYLAW 805-99
(09-05-11)

W. Cunningham moved to support and confirm the existing protocol, process and
procedures as currently outlined in Dog Control Bylaw 805-99.

Carried.

CPO SUMMER
HOURS
(09-05-12)

R. Ford moved that the Administrator and Community Peace Officer review summer
working hours for enhanced enforcement as required.

Carried.

S. Simpson left the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

AERIAL PHOTOS
(09-05-13)

R. Ford moved to receive the information on the estimated extra costs for the aerial
photos for the two hamlets and fringe areas of Raymond and Stirling and further, the
County will not proceed to acquire them at this time.

Carried.

CHIN PARK
HOSTESS
(09-05-14)

R. Taylor moved to approve the Administrator's recommendation to offer the Chin Park
Hostess position to M. Simpson by way of a contract, and further, also approve her
to locate and operate a concession outlet at Chin Park, with supervision to be under
that of the Administrator and/or the Ag Fieldman. J. Meeks Sr. requested a recorded
vote.

For: R. Jones, R. Ford, W. Cunningham, R. Taylor, K. Palmer, G. Krokosh
Against: J. Meeks Sr.
Carried.

RIDGE COUNTRY
HOUSING
(09-05-15)

W. Cunningham moved to approve the 2009 requisition from Ridge Country Housing in the amount of \$188,340.46.
Carried.

MSP WASHROOM
UPGRADES
(09-05-16)

R. Taylor moved to approve the washroom upgrades at the Public Works Shop and Administration Office without the auto flush toilets due to the excessive costs for the new one inch water lines and renovations associated with the upgrades.
Carried.

2009 BUDGET
(09-05-17)

R. Ford moved to approve the 2009 Capital and Operating Budget in the amount of \$10,410,614 as amended which includes the additional \$10,000 to be raised from the Coutts Recreation District.
Carried.

2009 MILL RATE
BYLAW 871-09
(09-05-18)

R. Taylor moved to give Bylaw 871-09, a bylaw which establishes the 2009 Mill Rates, as amended, first reading this 5th day of May, 2009.
Carried.

(09-05-19)

K. Palmer moved to give Bylaw 871-09 second reading this same day.
Carried.

(09-05-20)

G. Krokosh moved to proceed with third reading this same day.
Unanimously Carried.

(09-05-21)

W. Cunningham moved to give Bylaw 871-09 third and final reading this 5th day of May, 2009.
Carried.

LUNCH

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

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 12:51 p.m.

YPM AUDIT
(09-05-22)

R. Taylor moved to approve YPM proposal to conduct the County of Warner year end audits and the cost should not exceed the following amounts based on up to a maximum of 3% increases and the scope of the audit remaining the same:
2009 - \$13,470
2010 - \$13,874
2011 - \$14,290
Carried.

AAMDC
SURVEYS

R. Taylor moved to forward the AAMDC Member Satisfaction Surveys questionnaires to the AAMDC as completed by Council.
Carried.

WIRELESS
INTERNET
COVERAGE

Council reviewed the wireless internet coverage map and some additional towers will need to be added to complete the map accuracy. T. Nelson will update the maps for presentation to Council at the next meeting.

COUNCIL TABLE
(09-05-23)

R. Taylor moved that Administration investigate various council table designs options and present to Council for their consideration.
Carried.

STRATEGIC
PLANNING
SESSION
(09-05-24)

R. Taylor moved to hold a Special Council Meeting on June 4, 2009 in order to review and establish formal positions regarding the outcomes from the Strategic Planning Session.
Carried.

DEVELOPMENT
AGREEMENT
(09-05-25)

R. Ford moved to approve and sign the Don Heggie Simmental Ltd. development agreements as presented.
Carried.

RCMP
(09-05-26)

W. Cunningham moved to contact the Raymond and Milk River RCMP Detachments to determine whether they have any items they wish to discuss with County Council.
Carried.

FIRE CHIEF'S
MEETING

Administration will contact the Fire Chiefs to see if they have any issues that need to be discussed in order to determine whether a meeting needs to be arranged.

MSI GRANT
CHANGES

Council reviewed the changes announced to the Municipal Sustainability Initiative Grant and more details will be made available by the province at a later date.

WRENTHAM
WATER
TREATMENT
(09-05-27)

G. Krokosh moved to receive Alberta Environment's inspection report of the Wrentham Water Treatment Plant.
Carried.

EMERGENT
RESOLUTION
BILL 19
(09-05-28)

R. Ford moved to receive the AAMDC's reply on the process and handling of the Emergent Resolution regarding Bill 19 - Land Acquisition during the 2009 AAMDC Spring Convention.
Carried.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

W. Cunningham - The Heritage Handibus is operating well. They appreciate the assistance of the County mechanics who conduct their inspections and assist in repairs.

K. Palmer - The Raymond and District Ambulance Society is operating well.

G. Krokosh - The Wrentham Community Center is looking for grants to assist in the purchase of playground equipment. They are looking for assistance in writing grant applications. The Sunshine Seed Cleaning Plant is conducting upgrades to their administration office. The Wrentham Library is making some improvements to their building.

R. Ford - The Milk River/Coutts/County Waste Transfer Station meeting was attended where the budget was approved and repairs/changes to the site were discussed. The Milk River Watershed group will be attending the tour to the Fresno Dam. The Village of Coutts and the Coutts Recreation Board have agreed to contribute \$10,000 each towards the funding to hire another teacher for the Coutts Community School. A local group of farmers along the Verdigris Lake are forming a committee to investigate solutions to the alkali problem which is negatively affecting their properties.

(09-05-29)

W. Cunningham moved to receive the Committee Reports as presented.
Carried.

ADJOURN
(09-05-30)

R. Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m.
Carried.

Reeve

Administrator