

COUNTY COUNCIL

October 5, 2009

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on October 5, 2009. In attendance were Reeve R. Jones, R. Ford, W. Cunningham, G. Krokosh, K. Palmer, J. Meeks Sr, Administrator A. Romeril, Superintendent R. Coppieters and CPO S. Simpson.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

MINUTES
(09-10-01)

G. Krokosh moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held September 22, 2009.

Carried.

ADDITIONS
TO AGENDA
(09-10-02)

R. Ford moved to add the following items to the agenda:
Municipal Affairs - MSI Approval - N.D. East
News Release - Changes to Mental Health Laws
News Release - Edmonton Waste Turned to Heat
News Release - Flu Vaccine Program
News Release - Drug Busts and ALERT
News Release - Alberta Land Stewardship Update
News Release - Min. Lund to discuss trade and energy
News Release - Students and High Achievement Improvement
News Release - 2 for 1 Credit Time Served for Offences Update
Waste Reduction Week - October 19-25, 2009
Alberta Health Services - H1N1/Flu Immunization Update
Milk River Watershed Council Canada - Minutes
Road Closure Request
Stewart Weir - 2009 AAMDC Convention
Naturener
Lethbridge Motorcycle Club - Noise Concerns
Fire Ban
Wolf Creek Colony Gravel Request
Lethbridge and Area Emergency Services Conference

Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT

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

R. NEILSON ROAD
(09-10-03)

W. Cunningham moved to proceed with the upgrading of an undeveloped road allowance to be a graveled trail at an estimated cost of \$20,000 and the site is described as south of Section 2-6-15-4.

Carried.

WOLF CREEK
GRAVELING
(09-10-04)

R. Ford moved to deny the request of the Wolf Creek Colony to gravel a private trail (not located on a road allowance) for two miles and the location is described as south of Sections 33 and 34 of 5-19-4.

Carried.

HIGHWAY 4
INSPECTIONS

Superintendent R. Coppieters reported that the access roads along Highway 4 near the Town of Milk River have been inspected with the project engineers and the access roads are now under the control and operation of the County of Warner.

LOADER SCALES
(09-10-05)

W. Cunningham moved to proceed with the purchase and installation of weigh scales on the two County gravel loaders at an estimated cost of \$22,000.

Carried.

GRAVEL PUBLIC
LOADING DAYS

The County has established the public gravel loading days to be within the period of October 19 - 28, 2009.

SPUR OIL

No response has been received in regards to Spur Oil cost sharing in any future pavement replacement in front of their property near Milk River.

WEIR BRIDGE
EROSION AREA

The Milk River Watershed Canada Council is looking for funding options through their council to assist in correcting erosion problems along the Milk River near the Weir Bridge.

NEW DAYTON
DRAINAGE

Administration has been in contact with CPR on the drainage issue between the CPR tracks and the Hamlet of New Dayton. The project is on CPR's list to investigate.

FUEL TAX REBATE

MLA B. Jacobs is investigating our concerns over the denial of the County's appeal for the fuel tax rebate with Finance Minister Iris Evans.

COUTTS
BYPASS ROAD
(09-10-06)

R. Ford moved to support in principle Option "C" with additional suggested changes to the alignment and further, receive Genivar's additional information regarding the relocation of the Coutts Bypass Road.

Carried.

GREAT PLAINS
RAILWAY

B. Hillen and R. Olderberger from the Great Plains Railway Society entered the meeting at 9:50 a.m. They requested the County's assistance in constructing additional rail beds at the site. Supt. R. Coppieters estimated the additional rail bed to cost approximately \$30 - 32,000 for the work. A question and answer period was held. The delegation left the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

(09-10-07)

K. Palmer moved to support in principle the County assisting the Great Plains Railway Society in constructing the additional rail bed and further, request the Great Plains Railway Society to investigate a cost sharing arrangement between the County, Great Plains Railway Society, the Village of Stirling and the Town of Raymond to help offset the cost of County's estimated construction cost of \$30 - 32,000.

Carried.

(09-10-08)

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

Carried.

RECESS

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 10:25 a.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 10:35 a.m.
Supt. R. Coppieters was not present when the meeting reconvened.

RAYMOND RCMP

Sergeant P. Zaugg of the Raymond RCMP Detachment entered the meeting at 10:36 p.m. He presented the current 2009 statistical report. Other discussions included Off Road Vehicle use, areas of concern for traffic enforcement and an annual performance plan development. After a question and answer session Sergeant P. Zaugg left the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

CPO REPORT

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

CAT CONTROL
IN HAMLETS
(09-10-09)

G. Krokosh moved to receive Administration's report that the Town of Raymond and the Village of Stirling are not interested in providing animal pound services for cats and dogs found at large within the County's Hamlets.

Carried.

FIRE CHIEFS
MEETING

The next Fire Chief's meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the County Office.

OLD CPO VEHICLE
(09-10-10)

R. Ford moved to sell the 2004 Expedition (old enforcement vehicle) to S. Simpson for \$5,000.

Carried.

TEMPLE HILL
MOTORCYCLE
TRACK
(09-10-11)

J. Meeks Sr moved that Administration investigate implementing a noise bylaw for the users of the Temple Hill Motorcycle Track, and further obtain copies of noise bylaws from other rural municipalities.

Carried.

(09-10-12)

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

Carried

CPO S. Simpson left the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

STIRLING BULK
WATER MEETING
(09-10-13)

K. Palmer moved that R. Ford, G. Krokosh, J. Meeks Sr and Administrator A. Romeril attend the Village of Stirling Council meeting on October 7, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. regarding issues relating to the Bulk Potable Water Filling Station.

Carried.

TOOLE COUNTY
MEETING
(09-10-14)

R. Ford moved to meet with representatives of Toole County on November 5, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. and add the topics of mutual aid agreements and border security to the agenda.

Carried.

LUNCH

Reeve R. Jones called a recess for lunch at 12:06 p.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 1:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONAL
MEETING
(09-10-15)

R. Ford moved to hold the annual County Organizational Meeting on November 3, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Office.

Carried.

ELECTORAL
BOUNDARY
PUBLIC MEETING
(09-10-16)

J. Meeks Sr moved that R. Ford attend the Electoral Boundary Open House/Public Meeting in Lethbridge on October 6, 2009.

Carried.

ROAD CLOSURE
REQUEST

Councillor R. Ford declared a pecuniary interest in regards to the requested road closure issue and left the table at 1:23 p.m. He entered the public gallery and made a presentation to Council for the possible closure, sale and consolidation of the road described as the portion of the road directly east of the SE 1-1-14-4. He would like to control access to the adjacent lands. The undeveloped road leads to the U.S. border. After a question and answer period, R. Ford left the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

(09-10-17)

G. Krokosh moved to deny R. Ford's request and not sell the undeveloped road allowance to the east of the SE 1-1-14-4 due to possible future subdivisions, potential future sale of the affected land and precedence for other requests to close other unused road allowance on the one by two mile road allowance grid system.

A recorded vote was requested.

For: G. Krokosh, W. Cunningham, R. Jones, K. Palmer, J. Meeks Sr
Against: None

Carried.

R. Ford reentered the meeting at 1:41 p.m. and resumed his position at the Council table.

STEWART WEIR
(09-10-18)

K. Palmer moved to receive Stewart Weir client appreciation invitation for a hospitality dinner, but decline their offer.

Carried.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS
CONSULTATION
MEETINGS
(09-10-19)

W. Cunningham moved that R. Ford and A. Romeril attend Municipal Affairs Minister R. Danyluk's regional consultation meeting in Lethbridge on October 14, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at the Lethbridge Center Conference Room 1.

Carried.

JENSEN/RAYMOND
CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
SCHEME
(09-10-20)

K. Palmer moved to receive the Jensen/Town of Raymond proposed redesignation of lands and conceptual design scheme for the lands located east of the Raymond Golf Course in the NE 9-6-20-4.

Carried.

REGIONAL
EMERGENCY
SERVICE
CONFERENCE
(09-10-21)

R. Ford moved that R. Jones attend the Regional Emergency Services Conference in Lethbridge on October 23 and 24, 2009 and the County will pay the conference fee and one night of lodging.

Carried.

BANK RECON-
CILIATION

(09-10-22)

Accountant R. Shaw entered the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

W. Cunningham moved to approve the bank reconciliation statement as at August 31, 2009 and it is attached.

Carried.

BILLS FOR
PAYMENT
(09-10-23)

J. Meeks Sr moved to approve the Schedule of Disbursements in the amount of \$578,344.45 as at October 5, 2009 and it is attached.

Carried.

R. Shaw left the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

G. Krokosh - The Chinook Arch Regional Library is hosting an open house for the RISE program in Lethbridge and he will be attending.

R. Ford - A Milk River Watershed Canada Council meeting was attended where a integrated watershed management plan is being developed. Another meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2009. The document can be used for the Land Use Framework Regional Advisory Committee. Funds were requested from the Milk River Watershed group to assist in the development of the Weir Bridge day use area on the Milk River. They are also investigating a reclamation project along the Vertigris Coulee to reduce the salts that are accumulating there. Culverts may have to be lowered under S.H. 501. They are working with Alberta Environment and the SMRID.

R. Jones - A Southgrow Vision and Goal Setting meeting was attended in Lethbridge. A South East Mayors and Reeves meeting was attended. Similar concerns of the South West group are being expressed such as the development of the Land Use Framework document. ORRSC is working on a document that will be presented to the Regional Advisory Committee. Other issues include provincial municipal auditor, electoral boundaries, cell phone use, utility corridor and Highway 3 twinning. A meeting with Minister Affairs Minister R. Danyluk will be attended on October 6, 2009.

(09-10-24)

J. Meeks Sr moved to receive the Committee Reports as presented.

Carried.

ADJOURN
(09-10-25)

G. Krokosh moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Carried.

Reeve

Administrator