

COUNTY COUNCIL

July 20, 2010

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on July 20, 2010. In attendance was Reeve R. Jones, R. Ford, W. Cunningham, R. Taylor, G. Krokosh, K. Palmer, Administrator A. Romeril, Superintendent R. Coppieters, CPO S. Simpson and Ag Fieldman J. Meeks Jr.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

MINUTES  
(10-07-01)

R. Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 15, 2010.

Carried.

ADDITIONS  
TO AGENDA  
(10-07-02)

R. Ford moved to add the following items to the agenda:  
Ambulance Issues Meeting Hosted by Pincher Creek  
Pasture Drought Rebate/Cattle Tax Deferral Concerns  
Sandbags for Emergency Purposes  
Raymond Waterline in Road Allowance  
Vulcan Waste to Energy Project

Carried.

FLOOD ISSUES  
STAFF EFFORT

Reeve R. Jones expressed his appreciation to the County staff who responded to the residents needs, by working extra hours during the spring snow storms, repairing flood damage, and handling the applications for disaster funding on the weekend. Staff is also commended in the clean up efforts at Ridge Park as well as assisting in the notifying the public of the boil water order in New Dayton and setting up alternative potable water options. The dedication of the county staff is very commendable.

DELCO COLONY  
FLOODING

An explanation of the concerns and the drainage system in place at Rush Lake and Ducks Unlimited was given by CPO S. Simpson and Ag Fieldman J. Meeks Jr.

(10-07-03)

G. Krokosh moved to inform Alberta Agriculture of the drainage and flooding concerns to the north and east of Rush Lake/Ducks Unlimited property and request Alberta Agriculture to investigate possible solutions or make recommendations that may reduce flooding in the future.

Carried.

WEIR BRIDGE  
DAY USE AREA  
(10-07-04)

R. Ford moved to proceed with the widening of the road driving surface at the entrance to the Weir Bridge Day Use Area which will increase the parking area for vehicles utilizing the area, and further, the estimated cost at Public Works internal rates is \$8,500.

Carried.

WRENTHAM  
MOWING  
(10-07-04)

R. Taylor moved to receive T. Nilsson letter regarding concerns over grass mowing within the Hamlet of Wrentham during the month of June and further, forward a response letter indicating that staff was limited in the amount of mowing that could be completed due to the excessive rains received and the inability to mow the grass around the old Wrentham School due to the equipment getting stuck.

Carried.

J. Meeks Jr left the meeting at 9:47 a.m.

P.W. REPORT

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

SANDBAGS  
(10-07-05)

R. Taylor moved that Administration investigates acquiring sandbags for emergency purposes.

Carried.

FIRE HYDRANT  
(10-07-06)

G. Krokosh moved to receive the information that a rural fire hydrant is not required at the intersection of Highway 36 and the New Dayton Bypass Road due to the availability of other nearby water sources, and therefore do not proceed with the installation of an emergency water hydrant.

Carried.

NEW DAYTON  
CPR DRAINAGE  
(10-07-07)

W. Cunningham moved that Administration investigates other possible funding sources for the New Dayton/CPR drainage problem.

Carried.

COUTTS BYPASS  
ROAD TENDER  
(10-07-08)

R. Ford moved to approve the low tender of Emard Excavating Ltd in the amount of \$430,696 for the Coutts Bypass Road construction project.

Carried.

TEXAS GATE-  
BIANCHI  
(10-07-09)

R. Ford moved to approve the recommendation of Superintendent R. Coppieters for the installation of a Texas Gate west of the SW 22-1-12-4 on condition the Texas Gate Policy 320.70 is followed.

Carried.

(10-07-10)

G. Krokosh moved to receive Superintendent R. Coppieters report as presented.

Carried.

MATL - ROAD  
RIGHT OF WAY

S. Roth and R. Mikkelson of MATL entered the meeting at 10:09 a.m. to discuss issues relating to the location of the MATL transmission line within and adjacent to the north of Sections 9, 10, 11, and 12 of 4-18-4. They are requesting the County allow MATL to locate one pole of the H-Frame structure 1.8 meters inside the road allowance rather than locate a monopole 1 meter inside the road allowance. After reviewing the pros and cons of the request the delegation left the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

RECESS

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 10:53 a.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 11:06 a.m.

R. Coppieters was not present when the meeting reconvened.

MATL CONTINUED  
(10-07-11)

R. Taylor moved to table the discussion of the location of the MATL power poles within the road allowance to the next County Council meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

CPO REPORT

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

COFFIN BRIDGE  
SIGNAGE  
(10-07-12)

R. Ford moved to approve the recommendation of CPO S. Simpson that no additional traffic signs are required at the Coffin Bridge due to adequate site lines.

Carried.

HORIZON S.D.  
ELECTIONS  
(10-07-13)

G. Krokosh moved to decline Horizon School Division's request that the County conduct their election of their board members during this fall's election.

Carried.

(10-07-14)

R. Taylor moved to receive CPO S. Simpson report as presented.

Carried.

CPO S. Simpson left the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

MILK RIVER  
WATERSHED  
CANADA

Sandi Riemersma entered the meeting at 11:36 a.m. to discuss the Terms of Reference associated with the Milk River Integrated Watershed Plan. A power point presentation, a review of the objectives and a question and answer session was held.

(10-07-15)

R. Ford moved to endorse the Milk River Integrated Watershed Plan Terms of Reference as presented.

Carried.

LUNCH

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess for lunch at 12:04 p.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 12:45 p.m.  
S. Riemersma was not present when the meeting reconvened.  
ORRSC Planner S. Harty was present when the meeting reconvened.

COUNCIL TABLE

Quotes for a new table are in the process of being received.

LANDOWNER  
OBJECTIONS  
TO MATL  
(10-07-16)

R. Taylor moved to receive the information outlined in Schedule 2 received from the Surface Rights Board for the MATL project to be located on the following lands:  
Daryl Soice - NW 9-4-17-4

Carried.

(10-07-17)

W. Cunningham moved to receive the Right of Entry Application objections notices, dated June 24, 2010 from the Surface Rights Board for the following landowners/  
Warner West Water Coops:  
Lois Ketchey, John Lutz, and 968437 Alberta Ltd.

Carried.

MIAMI COLONY  
AND NRCB  
(10-07-18)

K. Palmer moved to receive the notification from the NRCB that the Miami Colony is adding a new 77 x 37 x 3.1 meter manure lagoon on the property described as the E ½ 1-5-19-4, and further, the County has no objections or comments.

Carried.

FHLB MEETING  
(10-07-19)

R. Taylor moved that all Councillors attend the FHLB meeting on Lethbridge on Friday, September 17, 2010 in Lethbridge.

Carried.

ACCIONA  
OPEN HOUSE  
(10-07-20)

G. Krokosh moved that R. Taylor and A. Romeril attend the Acciona Open House on Wednesday, July 21, 2010 at the New Dayton Hall to review the details on a proposed 66 wind turbine project south of New Dayton.

Carried.

ELLERT ROAD  
CLOSURE  
BYLAW 878-10

The public hearing for Bylaw 878-10, for the Ellert Road Closure, was opened at 1:00 p.m. No members of the public were present. Council had no comments. The public hearing portion of the meeting was closed at 1:02 p.m. The road closure process will continue.

A. JONES ASP  
& REZONING  
BYLAW 879-10

A. Jones and E. Martin of Martin Geomatics entered the meeting at 1:02 p.m. to present any additional information that may be requested. The public hearing commenced at 1:03 p.m. with comments received from the delegation, Council and ORRSC Planner S. Harty. The Area Structure Plan was presented and discussed in detail. The public hearing was closed at 1:17 p.m.

(10-07-21) R. Ford moved to approve the Area Structure Plan (ASP) for the property described as LSD 14 in Section 25-7-17-4 and LSD 4 in Section 36-7-17-4 with the amendments for the front and rear setbacks as set out in the ASP.  
Carried.

BYLAW 879-10  
(10-07-22) R. Taylor moved to give second reading to Bylaw 879-10, a bylaw to rezone lands from extensive agriculture to group country residential in portions of the N ½ 25-7-17-4 and portions of the SW 36-7-17-4, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 2010.  
Carried.

(10-07-23) G. Krokosh moved to give third and final reading to Bylaw 879-10 this same day.  
Carried.

The delegation left the meeting at 1:21 p.m.

RECESS Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 1:22 p.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 2:35 p.m.  
Accountant R. Shaw was present when the meeting reconvened.

BANK  
RECONCILIATION  
(10-07-24) R. Taylor moved to approve the bank reconciliation statement as at June 30, 2010 and it is attached.  
Carried.

BILLS FOR  
PAYMENT  
(10-07-25) G. Krokosh moved to receive the Schedule of Disbursement as at July 20, 2010 in the amount of \$698,369.83 and it is attached.  
Carried.

R. Shaw left the meeting at 2:41 p.m.

WARNER  
AIRPORT  
(10-07-26) R. Ford moved to receive the written request from the Village of Warner to cost share the operating expenses of the Warner Airport and further, Administration request the past several years' financial information for the Warner Airport from the Village for County Council's consideration.  
Carried.

TAX RECOVERY  
AUCTION &  
RESERVE BIDS  
(10-07-27) R. Ford moved to approve Friday, October 29, 2010 as the date for the 2010 Tax Recovery Public Auction and further the following reserve bids are set:  
Title No. - 921122114, Lots 1, 2, & OT, Block 9, Plan 5173AA - Acres 0.3856  
Reserve Bid of \$4,200.  
Title No. - 911190684, Lot 3, Block 9, Plan 5173AA - Acres 0.3305 and house,  
Reserve Bid of \$69,650.  
Carried.

MILK RIVER  
BONANZA DAYS  
(10-07-28) R. Taylor moved that Councillors W. Cunningham and R. Ford attend the Milk River Bonanza Day Celebration on Saturday, July 31, 2010.  
Carried.

PINCHER CREEK  
AHS CONCERNS  
(10-07-29) R. Taylor moved that Reeve R. Jones and Administrator A. Romeril attend the meeting hosted by Pincher Creek Emergency Services regarding ambulance issues on July 27, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the ORRSC offices in Lethbridge.  
Carried.

VULCAN WASTE  
TO ENERGY  
(10-07-30)

R. Taylor moved to recommend that a presentation by the Vulcan Waste to Energy Consortium be given to the members of the FHLB Committee meeting on September 21, 2010.

Carried.

2009 DROUGHT  
& TAX DEFERRAL  
CONCERNS  
(10-07-31)

R. Ford moved to invite MLA Broyce Jacobs to a County Council meeting to discuss Council's concerns over the unfairness of the 2009 drought program (pasture recovery/cattle tax deferral) awarded to some areas of the province and not to others, and further other topics to be discussed include Alberta Environment's standards for potable water, water treatment plant upgrades, boil water orders, and flood concerns caused by the Rush Lake/Ducks Unlimited project along Highway 36.

Carried.

COMMITTEE  
REPORTS

R. Ford - A meeting was attended where the final draft on the Integrated Watershed Management Plan was completed. Golder Associates is conducting an In Stream Flow Study on the Milk River. The Doctor Recruitment Committee is preparing bylaws that can be used when they form the society. A Cultural Awareness workshop is being attended on July 21, 2010 in relation to doctor recruitment. Several 100th-year farm anniversary plaques are being prepared. The Coutts School will be closed for this coming school year. The Village is considering acquiring the school.

R. Jones - The Raymond Parade was attended on July 1, 2010. Time has been spent on the recent flooding and attending the disaster reception center at the County Office.

(10-07-32)

G. Krokosh moved to receive the Committee Reports as presented.

Carried.

ADJOURN  
(10-07-33)

G. Krokosh moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:27 p.m.

Carried.

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Reeve

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Administrator