

COUNTY COUNCIL

November 25, 2008

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on November 25, 2008. 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 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES
(08-11-20)

R. Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held November 4, 2008.

Carried.

ADDITIONS
TO AGENDA
(08-11-21)

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

AAMDC - Contact

AAMDC - Alberta Renews Water for Life Strategy

AAMDC - Government Offers Transitional Royalty Rates

AAMDC - District Three Highlights

Municipal Affairs - MSI and Self Governing Non Profit Organizations

ARPA - Recreation for Life Information

Legal Aid Alberta

ORRSC - Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Alberta Transportation - McNab CPR Crossing and Lights

Mayors and Reeves - Secretarial Financial Support

Alberta Transportation and Ridge Park

Canada / US Border Road

Milk River Fire Pumper Accident

County Council Meeting - January 6, 2009

County Christmas Function

Canadian Badlands

Carried.

WRENTHAM
DRAINAGE
(08-11-22)

G. Krokosh moved to approve the relocation of the Wrentham Drainage ditch to be located in the east ditch of Bedient Street until it reaches Railway Avenue, turns east and then crosses Railway Avenue into the open field, and further clarify with Mr. D. Nilsson any concerns that he may have with the old drainage ditch to the south of his property, and further notify the residents adjacent to Bedient Avenue of the relocation of the drainage water to determine whether any further concerns may be presented.

Carried.

COUTTS BORDER
BYPASS ROAD
(08-11-23)

R. Taylor moved that Public Works cost out a high grade road adjacent to the existing Coutts Border Bypass Road for the entire distance to S. H. 500 and further, request information from Mullen Trucking of Nisku regarding the oversize/overweight truck use and the volume of loads utilizing the bypass road.

Carried.

STOP SIGNS
(08-11-24)

G. Krokosh moved to confirm that the existing stop signs remain in place at the SW 13-7-19-4 and NE 11-7-19-4.

Carried.

STIRLING
STOP SIGNS
(08-11-25)

R. Ford moved to amend the current Traffic Sign Bylaw by adding a new stop sign at the SSW of Lot 3, Plan 753J, and further the speed curve at the intersection be removed and replaced with a properly designed intersection.

Carried.

RCMP - PET
SCANNER
(08-11-26)

R. Ford moved to deny the request of the Raymond RCMP to donate \$80 towards the purchase of a pet scanner.

Defeated.

(08-11-27) R. Taylor moved to participate in the purchase of a pet scanner up to \$80 on condition the Municipalities of Cardston County, Magrath, Raymond and Stirling also participate.
Carried.

MILK RIVER
FIRE PUMPER
(08-11-28)

W. Cunningham moved to receive CPO S. Simpson report on the backing up into a power pole accident with the County Milk River Fire Pumper.
Carried.

(08-11-29)

G. Krokosh moved to install a back up electronic warning monitoring system for the County Fire Pumpers and proceed with their installation on condition the costs do not exceed \$500 per unit.
Carried.

RECESS

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 10:15 a.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 10:28 a.m.
R. Coppieters and S. Simpson were not present when the meeting reconvened.

WRENTHAM
PLAYGROUND
(08-11-30)

G. Krokosh moved that the Wrentham Recreation Board come forward with information, site plan and written request to install playground equipment at the Wrentham Curling Building on the east side of the Hamlet of Wrentham.
Carried.

TAX RECOVERY
LANDS - BALOG
(08-11-31)

W. Cunningham moved to establish the purchase value of the NW 33-1-17-4 at \$300 per acre as per the market evaluation.
Carried.

EMERGING
TRENDS
WORKSHOP
(08-11-32)

G. Krokosh moved that R. Ford, J. Meeks Sr, W. Cunningham and A. Romeril attend the Emerging Trends Workshop in Calgary on February 5, 2009.
Carried.

I.C.S.P.
(08-11-33)

K. Palmer moved to approve the County of Warner No. 5 Integrated Community Sustainability Plan as presented.
Carried.

RAYMOND
ANNEXATION
AGREEMENT
(08-11-34)

K. Palmer moved to approve the County of Warner and Town of Raymond Annexation Agreement as amended.
Carried.

(08-11-35)

R. Taylor moved that J. Meeks Sr and K. Palmer attend the Municipal Government Board Hearing scheduled for November 26, 2008 in Raymond.
Carried.

MAYOR AND
REEVES
(08-11-36)

R. Taylor moved to approve the payment of \$100 towards secretarial services required for the Mayors and Reeves of Southwest Alberta meetings.
Carried.

RIDGE PARK
REDEVELOPMENT
(08-11-37)

Administration informed Council that the actual construction for the Ridge Park Redevelopment has now been moved forward to 2010 due to financial concerns with provincial revenues. Monies are available for engineering design work and possibly for land acquisition if necessary.

COUNCIL
MEETING
(08-11-38)

J. Meeks Sr moved that the regularly scheduled County Council meeting of January 6, 2009 be rescheduled to January 8, 2009.

Carried.

CHRISTMAS
PARTY/SAFETY
INCENTIVE
(08-11-39)

K. Palmer moved to purchase a fleece jacket or hooded sweatshirt for each employee with the County Logo and "Safety First" in recognition of passing the Safety Audit and obtaining our Certificate of Recognition as well foregoing entertainment at the Christmas Social.

Carried.

EMERGENCY
SERVICES
APPRECIATION
(08-11-40)

G. Krokosh moved to hold the Emergency Services Appreciation Night on March 13, 2009 at the Warner Elks Hall.

Carried.

CANADIAN
BADLANDS
(08-11-41)

R. Taylor moved that Administration contact the Canadian Badlands regarding the possibility of obtaining grants for the construction of a day use area at Weir Bridge for canoe enthusiasts.

Carried.

LUNCH

Reeve R. Jones called a recess for lunch at 12:05 p.m.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting back to order at 12:56 p.m.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

J. Meeks Sr - A Farm Safety Meeting was attended. Alberta Agriculture has increased their grant by \$40,000 to now \$120,000. Gravel is needed in the parking lot of the Safety Center. The County and Town will work together on it.

R. Ford - The AAMDC Mayors and Reeves meeting was attended and the topics included discussions on the need to continue meeting in the future, Agricultural Opportunity Funds, utility installation delays and gravel extraction concerns. A meeting over Summer Villages was also attended. Topics included the possible dissolution of them in the future, debt concerns for rural municipalities who inherit them, cost of infrastructure and the Restructuring Grant Program. The Lucky Strike Hall in having financial hardships with utilities. They may be approaching the County for financial assistance.

R. Jones - A 100th Anniversary Plaque was presented to the Village of Warner.

(08-11-42)

R. Taylor moved to receive the Committee Reports as presented.

Carried.

Accountant R. Shaw entered the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

BANK
RECONCILIATION
(08-11-43)

R. Ford moved to approve the bank reconciliation statement as at October 31, 2008 and it is attached.

Carried.

BILLS FOR
PAYMENT

R. Taylor moved to receive the Schedule of Disbursements in the amount of (08-11-44) \$476,090.46 and it is attached.

Carried.

FINANCIAL
STATEMENT
(08-11-45)

J. Meeks Sr moved to approve the Financial Statement as at November 25, 2008 as presented.

Carried.

R. Shaw left the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

VILLAGE OF
WARNER
TAX SHARING
(08-11-46)

W. Cunningham moved to approve the Village of Warner's request to include the property of Volker Stevin within the Village of Warner's tax sharing revenue calculation due to Volker Stevin's request to receive a sewage connection to the village's sanitary system.

Carried.

IN-CAMERA
(08-11-47)

G. Krokosh moved to go in-camera at 1:55 p.m.

Carried.

(08-11-48)

G. Krokosh moved to revert to regular session at 2:00 p.m.

Carried.

ADJOURN
(08-11-49)

R. Ford moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:01 p.m.

Carried.

Reeve

Administrator