

## August 27, 2018

Present:

Mayor Brian Peterson

Deputy Mayor Craig Hewitt

Councilors: Ed Smith

Bill Guise

Sandra Miller

CAO: Greg Gayton

Recording Secretary: Rhonda Tofteland

Tina Tollefson

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Peterson at 5:27 pm

2. Minutes of the August 13, 2018 regular Council meeting

**MOVED** by Councilor Smith that the minutes of August 13, 2018 regular Council meeting be approved as presented. **CARRIED 08/18/141**

3. Business arising from minutes – no business arising.

4. Representation:

a. County Councilor Linda Waddy and Dan Lemieux Director of Community Services.

- \$3000 cemetery grant needs county council approval following which a contract will be drawn up
- Council asked to have enforcement services come earlier in the day to patrol parking on service roads. Year to date \$10,000 worth of tickets have been issued within the Village.
- It was suggested that weed inspectors stop at the Village office to keep us updated on notices. They are also asked to cc the Village on notices that have been sent.
- Council has been advised that there is \$69,000 of County money has been set aside and is available to use for the pool repurposing. A letter from the CAO would be required to access these funds.
- Council asked to meet with public works, county councilor and CNRL regarding drainage issues along RR 110
- Councilor Waddy and Mr. Lemieux left at 5:56

b. Kobus De Jager and Piet Gelderblom from GPN gave a power-point presentation regarding fibre optics in the area. Investment in the project would be approximately \$365,000 of which up to 50% could be earned back with rebates/percentages based on customer volume. Mr. DeJager and Mr. Gelderblom left at 6:32

- c. UPC Candidate Travis Toews and former County Councilor Brock Smith. Discussion regarding provincial issues affecting municipalities such as providing arbitration between municipalities if disagreements occur during the ICF process Revenue sharing from the provincial level and funding issues for smaller municipalities for major infrastructure projects was discussed. Mr. Toews supports small government as well as removal of the carbon tax. Mr. Toews and Mr. Brock left the meeting at 6:58
- d. Public Works supervisor Greg Longson – review operating costs for the past two weeks primarily regarding painting of crosswalks and tarring of streets. Discussion regarding compost and garbage bins. Council approved ongoing expenditures for the crackfilling program. Mr. Longson left at 7:25
- e.
- f.

5. Meetings Attended:

Mayor Peterson spoke with the Mayor of Beaverlodge and the Mayor of Wembley with regards to shared public works projects. He has also spoke with a street artist regarding painting the Oakfords building and possibly Bigway. Mayor Peterson had a conference call with the architect and engineer regarding the Pioneer Home project. Paperwork is being filed for a complete insurance write off.

CAO Gayton attended the following meetings:

- Aug 2018 – ongoing meetings with Taylor Rudrum re; water system
- Aug 16<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> – hiring meetings
- Aug 17<sup>th</sup> phone meeting regarding rural development (subsidized housing)
- Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> – meeting with Greg Longson and Brian Peterson regarding PW finances
- Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> – SPPARC meeting, Beaverlodge, prepare for a tour
- Aug 24<sup>th</sup> – coffee meeting with County CAO Bill Rogan and Dan Lemieux, new director of community service.

6. Correspondence:

- a) anonymous letter of complaint was received and discussed. Mayor Peterson will be drafting a response which will be put in a newsletter.

7. Other Business & Information:

- a) SPPARC Medical Students Tour presented as information
- b) Bylaw #508 – amended by Bylaw #537. This is the bylaw establishing the Village’s organizational structure.

**MOVED** by Councilor Miller to give first reading of Bylaw #537 **CARRIED 08/18/142**

**MOVED** by Councilor Hewitt to give the second reading of Bylaw #537 **CARRIED 08/18/143**

**MOVED** by Mayor Peterson to consider third reading of Bylaw #537 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 08/18/144**

**MOVED** by Councilor Smith to give third and final reading of Bylaw #537 **CARRIED 08/18/145**

- c) CARES grant – successful projects presented as information. Council noted several successful projects which would fit for the Village as well.
- d) Municipal Grants – provincial for council information
- e) Jim Uhl – project services. Mr. Uhl has offered his services as a public works consultant. Council would like to meet with him sometime in the future.
- f) Maintenance and safety reports reviewed by Council and approved as presented.
- g) Strategic Planning. Holly Sorgen submitted a July summary for the strategic plan. Some discussion regarding future development and rezoning took place.

#### 8. Members Business

CAO Report: Verbal

CAO Gayton reported on the following:

- Mr. Gayton called Go Green regarding 104<sup>th</sup> street and 101 avenue intersections
- Discussion with Mike Stelcke – things are looking positive with the ISP providers and they will be targeting the September 10<sup>th</sup> Council meeting to have their financial report ready.
- Mr. Gayton left a message with Alberta Emergency management regarding a grant application
- The campground is going well, aside from some spray paint vandalism.
- An election for a new fire chief will be held sometime after the labour day weekend.
- Consultants are up again this week, so there are more meetings on ICF's this week.
- Sent the policy manual around – it needs an update moreso than the bylaws.
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Councilor Guise noted test holes for contamination on the UFA lot. He also asked that the car garage lot be sent an unsightly notice due to weeds and shingles being scattered. Councilor Guise also noted that the furnace and hot water tank at the arena have been left on, and going forward it should be turned down/off for the summer months.

Councilor Hewitt asked about the pending grant for the flood relief, no recent updates. He has also inquired regarding the sewer issues and a rewrite and clarification pertaining to the sewer policy. Councilor Hewitt asked that the pool cover be placed on Kijiji. He has suggested a

spreadsheet be made and kept regarding the Village costs of upkeep on tax sale properties and unsightly premises.

Councilor Miller suggested all council members book a time and date to do a walk through the Village to address sidewalks and streets. A date has been set for September 4 at 5:30 pm.

Mayor Peterson inquired about the safety program funding. He has noted that there were many positive comments regarding the Village of Hythe parade and fair.

9. **MOVED** by Councilor Miller to go in camera at 9:13 pm      **CARRIED 08/18/146**

While in camera council discussed personnel matters and a land offer on Lot 9 and 10 Block 7 Plan 682E0

**MOVED** by Councilor Hewitt to go out of camera      **CARRIED 08/18/147**

**MOVED** by Councilor Miller to commence hiring staff as discussed  
**CARRIED 08/18/148**

**MOVED** by Councilor Hewitt to have all employees sign the hire-on form effective September 4, 2018      **CARRIED 08/18/149**

**MOVED** by Councilor Smith to decline the land offer for Lot 9 and 10 Block 7 Plan 682E0      **CARRIED 08/18/150**

- MOVED** by Councilor Guise to adjourn the meeting      **CARRIED 08/18/151**  
Time of adjournment was 10:27 pm.