

JULY 10, 2017

Present: Mayor Gary Burgess
Councillors: Gordon Nicholson
Nadine Adolf
Lyle Sipe

CAO: Greg Gayton
Public Works Supervisor, Steve Rawlyk
FCSS Coordinator, Teresa Boudreault

1. Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.
2. Minutes of the June 26, 2017 regular Council meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Adolf that the minutes of the June 26, 2017 regular Council meeting be approved as presented. **CARRIED 07/17/85**

Council then moved on to the FCSS report.

Ms. Boudreault noted that the babysitting course had 10 children in it.

The bike rodeo which was held at Hythe Central School in cooperation with the Regional Traffic Committee, had 172 kids participating.

There was also a good turnout at the Seniors Breakfast, that was held as part of Seniors Week. This was held at the Pioneer Home.

Teresa reported that Parent Link would be coming back to the Community Centre in the fall, they have booked every Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. She advised that she had attended a Regional Recreation Board meeting on behalf of the Village. The board is still in the formative stages and deciding how they will function. It is possible there will be a small requisition every year for participation in the board. This requisition may be based on population or equalized assessment, that has not been decided yet.

There was some discussion on various matters.

Teresa Boudreault left the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Council then met with Public Works Supervisor, Steve Rawlyk.

Mr. Rawlyk reported on the highlights on what they have been working on.

There was some discussion on work in the CNR right of way, adjacent to highway 43. Some areas have become too rough to mow properly. Mr. Rawlyk has decided to put some dirt on the problem areas so that it can be mowed more quickly in the future.

There was some discussion on the sharing of the pavement machine with Beaverlodge and Wembley, it is uncertain when we will see the paving machine in Hythe. Council felt that we need a more organized system than what is presently in place to govern the sharing of equipment like the paving machine and the excavator, that were purchased under the Alberta Community Partnership Program. Councillor Sipe pointed out that we are a 1/3rd partner on this equipment and it should be allocated in a reasonable amount of time every year to fulfill our needs.

Mr. Rawlyk noted that there had been talk about the CAO's and Public Works Supervisors from the three communities getting together to discuss this, but that has not happened yet. CAO advised that we could draft a brief agreement to govern the sharing of the equipment and put some rules in place.

MOVED By Councillor Adolf to have our staff work together with Wembley and Beaverlodge to reach a formal agreement on the sharing of the excavator and the paving machine. **CARRIED 07/17/85**

Council then discussed other paving priorities in town. Mr. Rawlyk noted that the intersection of 104th street and 101st avenue is probably the highest priority. He wanted to use the shared paving equipment to prepare that. Councillor Sipe pointed out that there were a few areas where rocks and debris had been piled up and should be cleared away, Mr. Rawlyk agreed to do that.

Steve Rawlyk left the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

3. Business arising from the Minutes:

4. Meetings Attended: Council reviewed the meeting that they had attended from June 26, 2017 to July 10, 2017.

Councillor Nicholson reported that the Grande Spirit Foundation was still having issues with the new building being built in Clairmont. Apparently, there has been a problem with the caulking of the windows and all the windows in the building will need to be inspected for water damage and possibly some replacement will be required.

Councillor Adolf noted that the Hythe Athletic Association had met on June 28th, 2017. They have a Concession operator hired for the 2017/2018 season.

Mayor Burgess reported that he had attended a meeting with the Reeve of the County and the Mayors of the City of Grande Prairie, Beaverlodge and Wembley to discuss the Electoral Boundaries issue.

5. Correspondence

a) Municipal Affairs – designated property assessment. Received for information.

b) Notes – CAO's meeting – Electoral Boundaries and County information.

Council reviewed some information from staff regarding the Electoral Boundaries. This included the positions of other municipalities and the results of some discussions that had happened at the Mayor and Reeves meeting, plus a meeting of all the CAO's regarding this. Municipalities are busy preparing presentations to the Electoral Boundaries Commission hearing in Grande Prairie on July 17, 2017.

Council discussed the formation of the Village of Hythe's position on the matter.

MOVED by Councillor Nicholson to advise the Electoral Boundaries Commission that the Village of Hythe's position is we should stay with the status quo arrangement in terms of the Electoral Boundaries in our area. **CARRIED 07/17/86**

The Mayor and the CAO are booked to attend the July 17, 2017 hearing and make a presentation.

c) Alberta Culture – Volunteer recognition, received for information.

d) Community Foundation – 2016 report, received for information.

e) Debbie Balderston – Cemetery matters

Council reviewed an email from Deb Balderston regarding some cemetery issues.

Council discussed whether the caretaking of the cemetery is strictly a Village issue or whether the County should be involved in the matter. Hopefully Deb Balderston will be available to attend the August 14th, 2017 Council meeting.

6. Other Business & Information:

a) Mid – year financial report

Council reviewed a print out of accounts as of July 9, 2017. CAO highlighted several matters. This was received for information.

7. Other matters (members' business):

Councillor Sipe inquired about the fence issue with Ben Klimach, CAO advised that a meeting was scheduled for July 14th, 2017 to review the matter. Early indications are that there are no encroachment issues.

MOVED by Councillor Nicholson to go into camera. **CARRIED 07/17/87**

While in Camera Council discussed utility arrears and possible changes to the personnel policy.

8. In Camera

a) Utility arrears

b) Changes to personnel policy – (No attachment)

MOVED by Councillor Sipe to go back into open session. **CARRIED 07/17/88**

MOVED by Councillor Adolf to add utility arrears to the following tax accounts: Roll #12026 - \$806.64, Roll #18510 – \$552.48 and Roll #24310 - \$568.05. **CARRIED 07/17/89**

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Councillor Adolf that the meeting be adjourned. **CARRIED 07/17/90**

Time of adjournment was 7:24 p.m.