

OCTOBER 10, 2017

Present: Mayor Gary Burgess
Councilors: Nadine Adolf
Lyle Sipe
CAO: Greg Gayton
Steve Rawlyk, Public Works Supervisor

1. Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. Minutes of the September 25, 2017 regular Council meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Sipe that the minutes of the September 25, 2017 regular Council meeting be approved as presented. **CARRIED**
10/17/119

3. Business arising from the Minutes:

Councillor Sipe reported on his research regarding sap coming from trees and damaging the paint on vehicles. He reported that he talked to two separate sources in the auto body industry to get their point of view. Both sources said that sap falling on vehicles does not damage the paint, however, it is recommended to get the sap off as soon as possible so it does not set. If it sets, it is difficult to remove. However, if it is dealt with properly it should not damage the paint on vehicles.

4. Representation:

a) Steve Rawlyk – Public Works Report

Sewer lagoon drainage will commence on October 23, 2017.

Staff had been doing some manhole inspections throughout town and noticing toys, rags, paper towels and other items at the bottom of the manholes. This type of materials can cause problems at the sewer lift station, and cause the lift station to back up.

Staff had planned to do some pavement repairs this week, but we were advised this morning that Don Pearson wanted to commence with the tree planting project, so we are donating staff, use of loader and the gravel truck to haul dirt for the tree planting project. Pete Tofteland is donating some dirt from his property.

There was some discussion around repairing picnic tables. Steve Rawlyk was concerned about the condition of many of the towns picnic tables. Council advised that some replacement of the picnic tables had been done in the past. CAO noted that previous inventory had revealed that the Village should own approximately 40 picnic tables. Public Works staff will research this matter further.

There was some discussion about the road in front of the Marshal Inn. CAO noted that he had reviewed it with the Public Works staff and while that road is deteriorating, there is no need at this point in time to hasten the deterioration of the road by putting it back into gravel. Staff position is the

road should be left as is and the final decision be left for the 2018 budget discussions.

Steve Rawlyk left the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

5. Meetings Attended: Council reviewed the meeting that they had attended from September 25, 2017 to October 10, 2017.

All Councillors and the CAO had attended the meeting with County Council and their CAO on September 26, 2017 at the Legion Hall.

6. Correspondence

a) Victims Services – Letter of thanks

Council reviewed a letter from Beaverlodge Victims Services, thanking the Village of Hythe for the donation. Received for information.

7. Other Business & Information:

a) Insurance Claim – shop break-in – received for information.

b) Land fill Authority – Agreement review

CAO advised Council of the ongoing negotiations with the Regional Landfill Authority, regarding Hythe’s percentage of the cost sharing.

In April of 2017, the Landfill Authority had agreed to reduce Hythe’s share from 15% to 10% for the 2017 calendar year. A Committee of the Authority is now working on a long-term solution for the cost share. A report from staff was reviewed at a meeting. The report showed the amount of tonnage that each municipality was reportedly contributing to the landfill operation. This committee meeting will be going to a landfill meeting in early November. This matter was received for information.

c) FCSS finance – first half of 2017

Council reviewed a report from County of Grande Prairie for the County’s operation of the Hythe’s FCSS Department in the first half of 2017. This was received for information.

d) Atco Electric – Franchise

The Mayor and CAO had met with Atco Electric regarding their Electrical Franchise arrangements and reviewed their annual data. Received for information.

e) Flagworks quotation + AMSC rebate

CAO advised that the AUMA rebate program provided Hythe with a cheque for \$868.00 for participation in their insurance and bulk purchasing on Electrical and Gas. The administrators of the rebate program were asking each municipality that received the rebate to dedicate it to a specific project. Staff provided a quote for replacing some of the triangular Canada flags that we have on Highway 43. This would also provide stock if the small triangular flags wear out or become damaged. The quote was for 20 triangular nylon flags at \$45.00 each for a total cost of \$900.00.

MOVED by Councillor Adolf to approve the purchase of the 20 triangular Canada flags for replacement. **CARRIED 10/17/120**

f) Cheque summary – Cheques# 20170717-20170781 – Received for information.

8. Other matters (members' business):

Councillor Sipe suggested that Council should maybe look at other issues in regards to the truck parking. He felt possibly that the gravel roads around Southpeace Distributors could be used for truck parking. He commented that there was enough distance between the proposed area and Willow Grove that noise from the trucks would not be an issue. Possibly the shoulders on the roads could be build up with a better material to prevent damage. At present, large truck parking on the service road is damaging to the shoulders of the road and there are signs there forbidding large truck parking. This matter will be debated further.

MOVED by Mayor Burgess to go into Camera. **CARRIED 10/17/121**
While in Camera, Council discussed a legal correspondence regard a drainage matter.

9. In Camera:

a) Miller Thomson L.L.P. – Legal matter

MOVED by Councillor Adolf to go back into open session. **CARRIED**
10/17/122

10. Adjournment

MOVED by Councillor Adolf that the meeting be adjourned. **CARRIED 10/17/123**

Time of adjournment was 6:26 p.m.