



**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
CIVIC CENTRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2014
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Erickson called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Deputy Mayor Art Erickson
Councillor Clark Heimbeckner
Councillor Jake Little
Councillor Charlene Smylie
Administrator Shawn Patience
Recording Secretary Loreen Bourguignon

Regrets: Mayor Fred Lindsay

- M#14-037 Moved by Councillor Little that Council remove Jennifer McAdam as the Interim Chief Administrative Officer, and that she be removed from any financial institutions as signing authority effective February 4, 2014 and further that Council appoint Shawn Patience as the Chief Administrative Officer for the Village of Wabamun, and that he be added to any financial institutions as signing authority effective February 4, 2014.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- M#14-038 Moved by Councillor Smylie to approve the Agenda as presented.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- M#14-039 Moved by Councillor Heimbeckner to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 21, 2014 as presented.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. PUBLIC FORUM

- Ms Shirley Munro made a presentation regarding a grant that is available to get an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).
Deputy Mayor thanked Ms Munro for her presentation.
- M#14-040 Moved by Councillor Little to direct Administration to pursue getting a grant to get an Automated External Defibrillator for the arena.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. DELEGATIONS

- a. 6:45 p.m. – Proposal to Sell Commercial Building, 5123 – 52 Street
Mr Larry Burton reviewed the proposal to sell his commercial building and would ask that Council consider review the Land Use Bylaw so that he could sell his building to a Church. Administrator Patience advised that the applicant could reapply for rezoning to allow for a Place of Worship as a discretionary use in the Village Centre or to have it rezoned to Urban Services.
Deputy Mayor Erickson thanked Mr Burton for his presentation.
- M#14-041 Moved by Councillor Little to accept Mr Burton's presentation as information.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. BUSINESS FROM MINUTES

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Appointment of Library Board Member
M#14-042 Moved by Councillor Smylie that Charis Burton be appointed as a public member of the Wabamun Public Library Board for a term commencing February 4, 2014 to April 30, 2017.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. New Business Continued

b. Appointment of FCSS Member
M#14-043 Moved by Councillor Little that Charis Burton be appointed as public member of the Wabamun FCSS Board for a term commencing February 4, 2014 to December 31, 2017.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. RPAP Conference for physician recruitment
M#14-044 Moved by Councillor Little to direct to have Administration contact Evansburg regarding cost sharing of the RPAP Conference registration to send Shirley Munro and to authorize one Council Member to attend the RPAP conference.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

d. Application to Participate in National Energy Board Public Hearing for Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Project
M#14-045 Moved by Councillor Little to direct Administration to follow-up and submit a letter by February 12, 2014 to participate in the NEB Hearing.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

e. FCM – Fixing Canada’s Housing Crunch and the 2014 Federal Budget
M#14-046 Moved by Councillor Little to support the Housing Resolution as provided by FCM as follows:
Whereas, a stable and secure housing system that creates and maintains jobs and allows for a range of living options is essential to attracting new workers, meeting the needs of young families and supporting seniors and our most vulnerable citizens; and,
Whereas the high cost of housing is the most urgent financial issue facing Canadians with one in four people paying more than they can afford for housing, and mortgage debt held by Canadians now standing at just over \$1.1 trillion; and,
Whereas housing costs and, as the Bank of Canada notes, household debt, are undermining Canadians’ personal financial security, while putting our national economy at risk; and,
Whereas those who cannot afford to purchase a home rely on the short supply of rental units, which is driving up rental costs and making it hard to house workers in regions experiencing strong economic activity; and,
Whereas an inadequate supply of subsidized housing for those in need is pushing some of the most vulnerable Canadians on to the street, while \$1.7 billion annually in federal investments in social housing have begun to expire; and,
Whereas coordinated action is required to prevent housing issues from being offloaded onto local governments and align the steps local governments have already taken with regard to federal/provincial/territorial programs and policies; and,
Whereas, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has launched a housing campaign, “Fixing Canada’s Housing Crunch,” calling on the federal government to increase housing options for Canadians and to work with all orders of government to develop a long-term plan for Canada’s housing future; and,
Whereas FCM has asked its member municipalities to pass a council resolution supporting the campaign;
And Whereas, our community has continuing housing needs that can only be met through the kind of long-term planning and investment made possible by federal leadership;
Therefore be it resolved that council endorses the FCM housing campaign and urges the minister of employment and social development to develop a long-term plan for housing that puts core investments on solid ground, increases predictability, protects Canadians from the planned expiry of \$1.7 billion in social housing agreements and ensures a healthy stock of affordable rental housing for Canadians.
Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to The Honorable Jason Kenney, Minister of Employment and Social Development and Minister for Multiculturalism, to Minister Ken Hughes, Alberta Minister of Municipal Affairs, to The Honorable Rob Merrifield, MP for Yellowhead, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and to the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Alberta Lake Management Society – The New Wave – January 2014
b. Fort McMurray West 500 kV Transmission Project
M#14-047 Moved by Councillor Smylie to accept the communications from Alberta Lake Management Society – The New Wave – January 2014 and the Fort McMurray West 500 kV Transmission Project as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- c. National Dementia Strategy – Municipal Resolution and C-356
M#14-048 Moved by Councillor Little to support the National Dementia Strategy as follows:
Whereas Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias are progressive, degenerative diseases of the brain that causes thinking and memory to become seriously impaired;
Whereas Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias most often occur in people over the age of 65 but can strike adults at any age; and
Whereas Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias affect more than 500,000 Canadians currently and that this figure is projected to reach 1.1 million within a generation; and
Whereas Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias also takes their toll on hundreds of thousands of families and care partners; and
Whereas an estimated further three million Canadians face the burden and challenges of providing care for those suffering with Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias; and
Whereas there is no known cause or cure for this devastating illness; and
Whereas the cost related to the health care system is in the billions and only going to increase, at a time when our health care system is already facing enormous financial challenges; and
Whereas Canada, unlike many countries, does not have a national dementia strategy; and
Whereas there is an urgent need to plan and raise awareness and understanding about Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias for the sake of improving the quality of life of the people it touches; and
Whereas MP Claude Gravelle Nickel Belt has introduced Bill C-356, *An Act respecting a National Strategy for Dementia*, as he works for broad, all party and non-partisan support for an issue that touches us all. His legislation calls for a national plan that includes the development of strategies in primary health care, in health promotion and prevention of illness, in community development, in building community capacity and care partner engagement, investments in research and other (advisory board, objectives, investment in research, and caregivers and more)
Now therefore, the Village of Wabamun calls on all levels of government and the Federation of Municipalities to adopt a national dementia strategy, and urges all citizens of our communities to become more aware and engaged concerning the far-reaching effects of this devastating disease.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- d. Alberta Human Services – Family and Community Engagement Councils
M#14-049 Moved by Deputy Mayor Erickson to provide Councillor Smylie with a letter of support for her to application for membership on the Family and Community Engagement Councils.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Committee Meeting of the Whole – February 19, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Heimbeckner attended:

- Economic Development in Your Community in Mayerthorpe with Councillor Smylie

Councillor Smylie attended:

- Family and Community Support Service meeting
- Economic Development in Your Community in Mayerthorpe
- Meridian Foundation
- Meeting with School Principal Kniel

- M#14-050 Moved by Councillor Heimbeckner to accept the Committee Reports as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- M#14-051 Moved by Councillor Smylie to direct Administration to gather information regarding the management of Park View Manor.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. IN CAMERA

12. NEXT MEETING: February 18, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

M#14-052 Moved by Councillor Heimbeckner to adjourn the Meeting at 7:46 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor

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