

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2005 IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

PRESENT

Mayor R. Cummings, Councillors J. Brosh, A. Clews, J. Henze, N. Savage-Howe, G. Taylor, and P. Toone

STAFF PRESENT

N. Bartholow, Chief Administrative Officer
W. Watson-Neufeld, Director of Corporate Services
J. Rock, Recording Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT

Dan Singleton, Sundre Roundup Reporter; Marilyn MacKay-Waddell, Sundre Museum; Keith Branter, Sundre Forest Products

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor R. Cummings called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. with a moment of reflection.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

262/05 Councillor P. Toone moved that the agenda be approved as amended. **CARRIED**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

263/05 Councillor J. Henze moved that the minutes of the August 2, 2005 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended. **CARRIED**

264/05 Councillor A. Clews moved that the minutes of the August 29, 2005 Governance Meeting be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

DELEGATIONS

Sundre Museum; Marilyn MacKay-Waddell

On behalf of the Sundre & District Historical Society, Ms. MacKay-Waddell presented Council with the accomplishments and support that the Museum has offered to the community since 1968 and requested continued support from the Town of Sundre. The Society continues to expand as they are currently completing the 5 000 square foot addition to the reception centre and a marketing plan, including bus tours, to bring more people through the museum. Future planning will help the Society self-sustain however they currently require assistance in order to continue operating. Upon investigating the support other communities offered their Historical Societies Ms. MacKay-Waddell found that the insurance and the utilities were often covered by the municipality as well as a set dollar amount from grants or funding.

Sundre Forest Products; Keith Branter

At the request of Council for further information regarding the Mountain Pine Beetle and its effects on Alberta, Keith Branter with Sundre Forest Products presented Council with the overwhelming effects the Beetle has had and will continue to have on B.C. economy due to lack of action to control what has now become an epidemic.

The Mountain Pine Beetle, just over 1 cm in length, typically attacks mature pine with a large diameter by burrowing through the bark to lay eggs, starving the tree of its nutrients causing the tree to die and turn red, which in turn becomes a fire hazard. There is a five-year harvest period for which the affected trees can be used, but the epidemic has far surpassed the number of trees that can be harvested by the mills in that time frame, meaning 20% - 40% will remain standing and be lost, possibly, to fire.

The only control of the Beetle is extended -40 degree weather or walking the forest to locate faded trees before the beetle has taken flight, cutting, and burning on the spot.

The Alberta Government, along with milling companies in Alberta, are working on an Emergency Plan, but first and foremost, a proactive approach to stop or significantly limit the number of Beetles that will be able to cross the mountains into Alberta and hopefully the ill-effects on the economy that will be felt by thousands in B.C.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Town Twinning Conference

265/05 Councillor G. Taylor moved to defer decision to the October 3, 2005 Regular Council Meeting

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in order to obtain more information from Councillor J. Brosh after the September 16 and 17, 2005 Twinned Municipalities Conference. **CARRIED**

Mileage Policy No. 125

266/05 Councillor N. Savage-Howe moved to adopt Town Policy No. 125 – Mileage Reimbursement for Personal Vehicles effective September 12, 2005. **CARRIED**

Mountain View EMS Lease Agreement

267/05 Councillor J. Brosh moved to accept the current lease agreement with a review to be done in five months. **CARRIED**

Town Beautification and Environmental Controls

268/05 Councillor A. Clews moved to set Tuesday, October 18, 2005 as the date for an Open House for the public to view the pictures and the proposed Bylaw for Town Beautification and Environmental Controls. **CARRIED**

BYLAWS**CAO Bylaw No. 804****A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO ESTABLISH THE POSITION OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

269/05 Councillor A. Clews moved that Bylaw No. 804 receive first reading. **CARRIED**

270/05 Councillor N. Savage-Howe moved that Bylaw No. 804 receive second reading. **CARRIED**

271/05 Councillor J. Henze moved that Bylaw No. 804 be presented for third reading. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

272/05 Councillor P. Toone moved that Bylaw No. 804 receive third reading. **CARRIED**

Borrowing Bylaw No. 816**A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE TO INCUR AN INDEBTEDNESS ON BEHALF OF THE SAID TOWN BY THE ISSUANCE OF DEBENTURES FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENOVATING THE TOWN OF SUNDRE COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTRE**

273/08 Councillor A. Clews moved that Bylaw No. 816 receive first reading. **CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS**50th Birthday Logo Competition**

274/05 Councillor A. Clews moved to endorse a contest for a 50th Birthday Logo that the 50th Birthday Committee will short list for Council to make the final decision. **CARRIED**

Director of Corporate Services Job Description

275/05 Councillor P. Toone moved to ratify the Director of Corporate Services job description. **CARRIED**

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Secretary Appointment

276/05 Councillor A. Clews moved to appoint Director of Corporate Services, Wanda Watson-Neufeld, as the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Secretary. **CARRIED**

Assessment Review Board Clerk Appointment

278/05 Councillor N. Savage-Howe moved to appoint Director of Corporate Services, Wanda Watson-Neufeld, as Clerk of the Assessment Review Board. **CARRIED**

Signing Authority

279/05 Councillor N. Savage-Howe moved to designate the Director of Corporate Services, Wanda Watson-Neufeld, as an authorized signatory for Accounts Payable and Payroll Cheques along

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with Mayor Roy Cummings, Deputy Mayor Annette Clews, and CAO Nita Bartholow. **CARRIED**

Greenwood Campground Rates

280/05 Councillor A. Clews moved to accept the Greenwood Campground rates for the 2006 season – PWS: \$30 (power/water/sewer), P: \$25 (power), N: \$20 (no services) plus GST. **CARRIED**

Greenwood Neighbourhood Place Fee Exemption

281/05 Councillor A. Clews moved to waive the Arena Clubroom rental fee for the Sundre Survivor Entertainment evening hosted by the Youth Coordinator for Greenwood Neighbourhood Place. **CARRIED**

Bearberry Creek Flooding

282/05 Councillor A. Clews moved that Administration draft a letter to the Minister of the Environment and the local MLA to request assistance to control possible future flooding from Bearberry Creek. **CARRIED**

Advertising on Arena Ice Surface Boards

283/05 Councillor A. Clews moved to set the Advertising rates for the Arena Ice Surface Boards at \$225.00 plus GST per year per spot on side boards with a contract drafted for a minimum of 2 years and advertising for Ice Surface Back Door be tendered for a five year contract. **CARRIED**

FINANCIAL

No Report

CORRESPONDENCE**DTHR: John Vogelzang RE: Appreciation BBQ**

A letter was received inviting delegates from the Town of Sundre to an Appreciation BBQ on Thursday, September 22, 2005 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Patient Resident Gardens, Sundre Hospital and Care Centre in recognition of everyone's dedication to health and safety during the June 2005 flooding.

R.S.V.P Mayor R. Cummings, Councillors A. Clews, J. Henze, N. Savage-Howe, and P. Toone

Alberta Municipal Affairs: Bill Diepeveen RE: Finding Agreement with Difficult Issues

A letter and registration forms were received for the "Finding Agreement with Difficult Issues: Conservative Collaboration for Communities Workshop" to be held on October 19 and 20, 2005 in Calgary.

R.S.V.P. Council not able to commit.

House of Commons: Myron Thompson RE: River Bank Stabilization

A letter was received thanking the Town of Sundre for sending a copy of the letter that was addressed to the Prime Minister regarding the river bank stabilization project and requested receiving a copy of the response. Myron Thompson is willing to facilitate a meeting between the Town and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans at the request of the Town.

Council suggested that the Town of Sundre and the Mountain View County put a photo package together to send to the Federal Government so they can actually see the damage that residence experienced from both the Red Deer River and the Bearberry Creek to enforce the importance of bank stabilization for future preventative measures.

COUNCIL REPORTS**Mayor and Council Reports**

Council set the next Governance meeting for September 26, 2005.

Council received all correspondence and reports for information.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

284/05 Councillor N. Savage-Howe moved to receive reports for information. **CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT:

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285/05

Councillor A. Clews moved at 9:31 p.m. that the meeting be adjourned. **CARRIED**

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER