



COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, March 27, 2017

PRESENT:

Deputy Mayor
Mayor
Councillors

Kim Caouette
Jim Ahn
Jim Hailes
Chris Stadnyk
Brenda Burridge
Robin Gervais
Louis Beloin

Chief Administrative Officer
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer
Executive Assistant
Director of Corporate Services
Director of Operations
Development Officer

Roy Dell
Kristen Milne
Emily Cuthbertson
Alicia Bourbeau
John Greathead
Betty He

ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Caouette called the Regular Meeting of Council for March 27, 2017 to order at 6:37 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Addition:

- 8 a) Establishment of an Economic Development Board
- 8 b) Discussion about a meeting with the M.D.

Moved by: Councillor Beloin

89-17 That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held March 27, 2017 be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held March 13, 2017.

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

90-17 That the minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held March 13, 2017 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b) Business arising from minutes.

There was no new business arising from the Minutes.

4. DELEGATIONS

- a) Fox Creek Chamber of Commerce Proposed Budget
Alison Sharpe

Update from Alison Sharpe – new board for the Chamber of Commerce. One concern of the airport closing is what will happen to the signs along the runway. This is one of the main sources of income for the Chamber's to continue running. The Chamber is looking to put up 7 more signs to bring the number to 25, this will increase revenue.

Trying to start fresh and build up membership.

Alison presented to Council what the plan for the year is and asked for an increase in wages for the Visitor Information Centre. Council would like to see the numbers of how the money is being used before a decision is made on additional funding.

Councillor Stadnyk arrived at the meeting at 6:43 pm.

- b) Town Beautification at Oasis Park
Alison Sharpe

Alison Sharpe presented to Council a proposal for Oasis Park that included new pedestals to plug the lights into, and replacing some of the lights because the current ones are taking a beating. The new pedestals are tall enough that there wouldn't have to be a worry about snowmobiles running them over when the snow piles up in the winter.

Alison does have someone who is willing to dedicate time to make the bases for the pedestals.

Alison also proposed to Council a 40x25 Gazebo that is estimated by Timber Kings of about \$40,000.

Council informed Alison that they are working on an overall concept for the park before moving forward with any projects.

Moved by: Councillor Gervais

91-17 That Council accepts all delegations as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. BYLAWS/POLICIES

- a) Amendment Bylaw 786-2017 – to amend Business License Bylaw 780-2016
Betty He, Development Officer

Deputy Mayor Caouette called a short recess at 7:43pm.
Deputy Mayor Caouette called the meeting back to order at 7:55pm

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

92-17	That Council give First Reading to Bylaw 786-2017 with the amendment of reducing the residential fees by 50% and direct Administration to schedule a public hearing.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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- b) Bylaw 787-2017 – Removal of Municipal Reserve Designation from Lot R4, Block 29, Plan 1984 R.S.
Betty He, Development Officer

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

93-17	That Council directs Administration to communicate with residents surrounding the new Fire Hall and find out the concerns regarding the Fire Hall and report to Council with possible solutions.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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Councillor Stadnyk abstains from voting.

Moved by: Councillor Gervais

94-17	That Council gives second reading to Bylaw 787-2017.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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Moved by: Councillor Hailes

95-17	That Council gives third and final reading to Bylaw 787-2017.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

- a) Account Payables – for the period ending March 22, 2017
Alicia Bourbeau, Director of Corporate Services

Moved by: Councillor Burrridge

96-17	That Council accepts the accounts payable for the period ending March 22, 2017 as presented.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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7. OLD BUSINESS

NIL

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Establishment of an Economic Development Board
Robin Gervais, Councillor

Moved by: Councillor Gervais

97-17	That Council direct Administration to bring back a report on the best way to pursue an Economic Development Board.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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Mayor Jim Ahn arrived at the meeting at 8:20 pm.

- b) Discussion about a meeting with the MD

Moved by: Councillor Beloin

98-17	That Council accepts the discussion as information.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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9. COUNCIL'S REPORTS

- Councillor Hailes
A little video was made a couple years ago about Fox Creek – promotional video, money could be invested in making a new video, how we've grown and developed, potential for housing, playgrounds, golf course, spray park, etc. This promotional video would be great for developing the Town. Investigate into costs on developing this.
Approached by a citizen that he had put in an application about being put on the recreation board, which did not happen. We need to work on the communication.
- Councillor Burridge
Nothing new to report, however Ali brought up a good point that the signs at the airport we need to figure out where the signs are going to go once the airport closes. Communicate this to the companies and residents that is they are being moved, what is going to happen.
Attended the Chiefs tournament – Big congrats to the Recreation staff at keeping the arena running well all weekend!
- Mayor Ahn
On, March 20 went to Edmonton and had a meeting with a few councilors from the MD, the meeting was very positive, not a lot of business was discussed, but the relationship is growing, which is good.
On, March 23 went to Edmonton to attend a meeting with Heart River Housing, believes we will need help from the provincial government in order to go forward with some of the plans that have been discussed.
- Deputy Mayor Caouette
AAMD&C it was mentioned the seismic activity in Fox Creek and McCuaig-Boyd is looking into the fracking. Look at putting something together to become a candidate for the pilot project. Discussed the land tenure issues.
- Councillor Gervais
Met with McCuaig-Boyd at the AAMD&C on the Land tenures and the issues of tearing up the land. Believe that the drilling in order to keep the land for oil companies is going to be a thing of the past. The meeting with the Minister was very positive.

- Councillor Beloin
Nothing new to report.
- Councillor Stadnyk
Nothing new to report.

Moved by: Mayor Ahn

99-17	That Council accepts the Council reports as information.	CARRIED
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10. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- a) Council Calendar – Report for Information

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

100-17	That Council accepts the Reports and Correspondence as information.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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11. MOTION REVIEW

- a) Review of 2017 Council Motions
Roy Dell, Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

101-17	That Council direct Administration to look into options for repairing the roof of the community hall.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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Moved by: Mayor Ahn

102-17	That Council accepts the 2017 Motion Review as presented.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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**Deputy Mayor Caouette called a short recess at 8:52pm.
Deputy Mayor Caouette called the meeting back to order at 9:07pm.**

12. COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- Council would like to congratulate Mitch & the Recreation Staff on a job well done with keeping the Arena running well all weekend at the Chiefs Tournament.
- Council passed Bylaw 787-2017 Removal of Municipal Reserve Designation from Lot R4, Block 29, Plan 1984 R.S.

13. IN CAMERA

Moved by: Mayor Ahn

103-17	That Council moves to go "In Camera" at 9:07 pm.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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Moved by: Mayor Ahn

104-17	That Council moves to come out of "In Camera" at 9:35 pm. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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CAO & Assistant CAO left the meeting at 9:10pm
CAO & Assistant CAO returned to the meeting at 9:35pm.

- a) Labour
Roy Dell, Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by: Councillor Beloin

105-17	That Council approve a 2.0% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for current employees; retroactive for January 2, 2017 and that the wage grid is adjusted to reflect the incremental increase. CARRIED
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- b) Land
Roy Dell, Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by: Councillor Burridge

106-17	That Council direct Administration to proceed with the resigning of the agreement between Wojtek Warden 1792496 Alberta Ltd. and the Town of Fox Creek to extend this development agreement by three (3) months ending in June 28, 2017 and that Administration be directed to add a buyback clause if the terms are not met at the end of the agreement. CARRIED
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- c) Land – Oasis Park Development – To be walked in
Roy Dell, Chief Administrative Officer

Moved by: Councillor Hailes

107-17	That Council directs Administration to sell the land as amended in the clause within the agreement. CARRIED
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Moved by: Mayor Ahn

108-17	That Council directs Administration to get development proposals from developers. CARRIED
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14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Gervais

109-17	To Adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council at 10:40pm. CARRIED
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Kim Caouette
Deputy Mayor



Roy Dell
Chief Administrative Officer



Date Approved