

Town of Drumheller

COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

June 28, 2004 5:30 PM Council Chambers, Town Hall
703 - 2nd Ave. West, Drumheller, Alberta

PRESENT:

MAYOR:

Paul Ainscough

COUNCIL:

Karen Bertamini
Don Cunningham
Larry Davidson
Brent Pedersen
John Sparling
Harry Stables

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ENGINEER:

Ray Romanetz

DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:

Wes Yeoman

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES:

Michael Minchin

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Diana Meller

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Linda Handy

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Councillor John Sparling was sworn in as Deputy Mayor for the months of July and August, 2004

2.0 MAYOR AINSCOUGH'S OPENING REMARKS

2.1 Mayor P. Ainscough announced that the *Canadian National Institute for the Blind* will be canvassing in Drumheller the week of June 27th.

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MO2004.142 Stables, Bertamini moved the adoption of the agenda as presented. Cd.

5.0 MINUTES

5.1.1 ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – June 14, 2004

MO2004.143 Cunningham, Davidson moved the adoption of the minutes as presented. Cd.

5.2 MINUTES OF MEETINGS PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION

5.2.1 Municipal Planning Commission – June 10, 2004

5.3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.0 DELEGATIONS

6.1 Golden Hills School Division Annual Report – Wilf Golbeck (tabled)

7.0 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS

8.1 CAO

8.1.1 RFD – A.U.M.A. Convention Resolution regarding Brownfields

R.M. Romanetz advised that Council considered the submission of a Brownfields resolution at the 2004 AUMA Convention to be held in November at their Committee meeting of June 21st. At that time, two resolutions were presented from the Towns of Morrinville and Drayton Valley however Drayton's Valley's wording included a formula for charging levies which required clarification. R. Romanetz noted that in speaking with the Town Manager of Drayton Valley, their Council felt that a new enforcement tool needed to be put forward to encourage property owners to remediate their sites. He further noted that if Drumheller Council wished to modify the Drayton Valley resolution, he would be prepared to present the new wording to his Council to determine if they would be agreement to a joint submission. The wording has now been amended to read: *"to amend the Municipal Government Act to create legislation governing Brownfields Redevelopment including provisions to ensure compliance"*. R. Romanetz further explained that if all three municipalities submit similar resolutions on Brownfields Redevelopment, the AUMA would probably encourage the submission of one joint resolution. Councillor L. Davidson asked that the wording also address assurances that funding is in place to allow the sites to be remediated on a timely basis.

MO2004.144 Bertamini, Sparling that Council approve the submission of the attached Brownfields Redevelopment Strategy Resolution at the 2004 AUMA Convention with an amendment to wording as follows: *and further that a provincially sponsored program be implemented for the remediation of contaminated sites on a timely basis"*. Cd.

8.1.2 RFD – Funding Agreement for Policing

R.M. Romanetz advised that he along with the Mayor and Councillors Bertamini and Davidson attended AUMA's special meeting on June 22nd with regards to signing the funding agreement on policing. He presented the package of information that included AUMA's update following the meeting which contains an additional clause that resulted from discussions at the meeting. He explained that initially AUMA recommended that municipalities do not sign the agreement but after considerable discussion they have since changed their position and now ask that municipalities to sign the agreement in order to receive funding. The AUMA also requests that a letter be forwarded from each municipality outlining concerns as noted in the attached information and that municipalities see the 2004-05 letter of agreement as Phase I of an enhanced funding agreement for policing costs, and looks forward to working with the Solicitor General to define and enact Phase II. R. Romanetz noted that although the Town will receive \$16 per capita in 2004, the AUMA had initially been advised by the Province that RCMP funding was to be raised to \$33 per capita - the difference in the level of funding is being used by the Solicitor General on other priorities. AUMA will continue discussions with the Solicitor General to lobby for additional funding. Councillor L. Davidson asked if there was any directives on what municipalities are permitted to do with the extra dollars. R. Romanetz advised that the agreement from the Solicitor General identifies what the funding can be used for.

MO2004.145 Pedersen, Bertamini that Council agree to sign the Letter of Agreement dated June 1, 2004 from Hon. Heather Forsyth, Solicitor General and that the Town of Drumheller forward a letter to the Solicitor General outlining the following points:

- municipalities currently provide adequate and effective policing and police oversight, the grant will be used by the municipality to bolster the Provincial contribution to the current municipal cost of providing adequate and effective policing and police oversight;
- due to the Agreement's "Termination" clause of six months, municipalities cannot be expected to use the grant for long-term costs such as engaging additional police personnel or infrastructure costs;

- the AUMA and its members look forward to working with the Alberta Solicitor General towards funding for additional police officers/personnel for communities that require them, and new programs that contribute to safe communities; and
 - the municipality sees the 2004-05 Letter of Agreement as Phase 1 of an enhanced funding agreement for policing costs, and looks forward to working with the Solicitor General to define and enact Phase II.
- Cd.

Councillor K. Bertamini asked that clarification relating to Item 4(ii) Use of the grant for implementing provincial policing initiatives be included in the covering letter.

8.2 Director of Infrastructure Services

8.2.1 RFD - Street Improvement Program Tender Award

W. Yeoman advised that tenders closed on June 22nd with only two tender documents picked up and only one bid received from Brooks Asphalt & Aggregate Ltd. in the amount of \$882,126.00 compared to the engineer's construction estimate prepared at \$861,450.75. He reviewed the SIP priorities as follows:

Asphalt overlay and concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter replacement North Railway Ave. from 2nd St. E to 4th St. E.

Reconstruction, paving and concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter replacement at 10th Ave. S.E. west of from 2nd St. S.E.

Reconstruction, paving and concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter replacement at 2nd Ave. N.W. – 17th St. N.W. to 15th St. N.W.

Reconstruction, paving and concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter replacement at Premier Road from South Dinosaur Trail to end of existing pavement.

Miscellaneous road repairs, pedestrian trail asphalt overlays, and concrete sidewalk replacement. Curb and gutter, road base and paving of 19th St. E. (50% cost share with Developer).

He explained that the total capital cost is \$994,126 with a budget available of \$858,374 made up of funding from provincial grants in the amount of \$467,100, reserves of \$351,470 and contribution from developer of \$39,804. He noted that the total projected costs exceed the budget available by \$136,000 (\$120,000 in construction costs plus \$16,000 in engineering). He recommended that Schedule B (comprises of miscellaneous improvements) be reduced by \$48,000 leaving an outstanding balance of \$88,000. R. Romanetz noted that this portion of the project had been increased in scope by the consultant without budget to support it. W. Yeoman further recommended that the north portion of the reconstruction and paving of Premier Road be deferred to the 2005 program which reduces the project costs by an additional \$88,000. R. Romanetz further noted that the bid amount reflects current contracts and costs as well as their busy schedules. He cautioned against retendering as contractors are extremely busy and have already reached their work commitments for this year.

MO2004.145 Davidson, Sparling that Council award the tender for the 2004 Street Improvement Program to Brooks Asphalt and Aggregate Ltd. subject to a reduction of scope of work equating to \$120,000 with a resulting contract value of \$762,126 and subject to the approval from Alberta Transportation. Cd.

8.2.2 Solid Waste Collection Contract Schedule Revision

W. Yeoman announced a change to the schedule for the residential garbage pickup due to the new landfill hours. As of July 5th and each Monday thereafter, H & H Huxted Ent. Ltd. will pick up garbage starting at Nacmine, Greenvilla and Huntington Hills. The changes will be advertised in our Town Page - Drumheller Mail and a notice hand delivered to each affected resident.

8.3 Director of Corporate Services

8.4 Director of Community Services

8.4.1 July 1st Schedules

D. Meller reviewed those activities for July 1st which involved Council participation.

8.4.2 Family & Community Support Services Association of Alberta Resolutions
D. Meller advised that the FCSS Annual General Meeting will be held in November, 2004 and the Town has an opportunity to submit resolutions. The deadline for submission is September 27th. She presented the FCSS Newsletter.

9.0 PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION

(Quarterly Reports due July 12, 2004)

- 9.1 CAO
- 9.2 Director of Infrastructure Services
- 9.3 Director of Corporate Services
- 9.4 Director of Community Services

10.0 PUBLIC HEARING DECISIONS

11.0 DELEGATION DECISIONS

12.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13.0 NOTICES OF MOTIONS

14.0 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

14.1 Mayor P. Ainscough advised that he along with two RCMP representatives interviewed three candidates for the position of Drumheller's Staff Sgt. on June 17th. He noted that a candidate has been notified to confirm his interest in the position.

14.2 Mayor P. Ainscough advised that a further meeting for the Red Deer River Basin User Group has been arranged by the County of Stettler for July 8th at 7:00 PM. Due to the number of invitees (24 municipalities), there has been a change of venue from their County Office to their Recreation Centre.

15.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS @ MO2004.146 Stables, Pedersen to go in camera at 6:05 PM.

- 15.1 Land Matter – Lots 6-10, Block 11, Plan 9710916
- 15.2 Residential Land Development
- 15.3 Development Agreement with Loblaw's Properties Inc.

MO2004.147 Cunningham, Pedersen to revert to regular Council meeting at 7:30 PM. Cd.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER