Town of Drumheller COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



February 7, 2005 5:30 PM Council Chambers, Town Hall 703 - 2nd Ave. West, Drumheller, Alberta

PRESENT:

MAYOR:

Paul Ainscough

COUNCIL:

Karen Bertamini Don Cunningham Larry Davidson Karen MacKinnon Sharel Shoff John Sparling

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ENGINEER: Ray Romanetz

DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES: Wes Yeoman

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES: Michael Minchin

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES: Scott Blevins

RECORDING SECRETARY: Corinne Macdonald

1.0 CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 P.M.

2.0 MAYOR AINSCOUGH'S OPENING REMARKS

2.1 Red Deer River User Group Update

Mayor P. Ainscough reported that at the meeting held on January 27, 2005 approval on the framework, strategies and elections for the User Group were given. J. Slemp, from Special Areas, provided a report on the Special Area's water supply. Mayor Ainscough advised that the next meeting will be in approximately four weeks and will include a tour of the Dixon Dam. R. Romanetz has a copy of the minutes from the January 27th meeting and will circulate them to Council for their information. Councillor K. Bertamini congratulated Mayor P. Ainscough on being elected as the Urban Chair for the User Group.

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2.2 Crime Stoppers Appointments

Mayor P. Ainscough thanked citizens for putting their names in to be appointed to Crime Stoppers. The citizens were Fred Makowecki, Harry Stables, Irene Doucette, Tamela Peters, Diane Snyder, Larry Coney, Phil Bryant and Gord Durward.

2.3 Atco Electric Contribution to Tree Farm

Mayor P. Ainscough thanked Atco Electric for their contribution of \$1,500 to go towards the Tree Farm.

2.4 Letter from Mr. Lorne M. Heikkinen, President, Alta Gas Utilities

Mayor P. Ainscough presented a letter that AltaGas Utilities sent to their customers who had their gas interruption in Rosedale on January 21, 2005. The intent of the letter was to apologize for the interruption and provide an explanation of the reasons for activities taken. Mr. Heikkinen also thanked the Drumheller Fire Department for assistance they received during this incident. Mayor P. Ainscough thanked Town workers for their assistance during this incident as well.

- 2.5 Letter from Mr. Ken Olsen, Drumheller Curling Club
- Mayor P. Ainscough presented a thank you letter from the Drumheller Curling Club for sponsorship of the Southern Men's Curling Playdowns.
- 2.6 Motion required to change next Council meeting from February 21st to February 22nd at 5:30 PM due to the Family Day Holiday.

MO2005.27 Bertamini, Shoff that the next Council meeting be rescheduled from February 21st to February 22nd at 5:30 P.M. Cd.

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MO2005.28 Davidson, Bertamini moved the adoption of the Agenda as presented. Cd.

5.0 MINUTES

- 5.1 ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
- 5.1.1 Council Regular Meeting January 24, 2005
- 5.1.2 Special Council Meeting January 31, 2005

MO2005.29 Sparling, Cunningham moved the adoption of the regular Council minutes of January 24, 2005 and the Special Council minutes of January 31, 2005. Cd.

- 5.2 MINUTES OF MEETINGS PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION
- 5.2.1 Municipal Planning Commission December 2, 2004
- 5.2.2 Municipal Planning Commission January 13, 2005

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5.3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.0 DELEGATIONS

7.0 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS

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8.1.1 RFD - Report from Elected Officials Remuneration Task Force

R. Romanetz advised that the Task Force presented a report to Council on January 10, 2005. The benefit of carrying out this process is to provide fair and equitable remuneration and benefits to the Mayor and Councillors that reflects the demands on members of Council and their value to the community.

MO2005.30 Sparling, Cunningham moved that Council approve the recommendations from the Elected Officials' Remuneration Review Task Force as presented to Council on January 10, 2005 and for the honorarium increase to be retroactive to January 1, 2005. Cd.

8.1.2 Information – Formation of the Red Deer Watershed Alliance

R. Romanetz presented a report on the formation of the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance. He reported that this Watershed Alliance will include partnerships Old Man and Bow Rivers as well. At a Mayor and Reeves meeting that was attended by Alberta Environment a letter was written from Mayor P. Ainscough asking that Drumheller form part of the Watershed Alliance to ensure that there are stakeholders involved all along the Red Deer River. This alliance of interested stakeholders working together is seen as an effective way to promote the long term health of the Red Deer River watershed, which will include such things as irrigation systems, aquatic needs, etc. There have been Open House meetings scheduled through February and March, on March 3, 2005 in Drumheller there will be an afternoon and evening session held. These sessions are to allow any input to be collected and taken back to the group. The User Group is to include all stakeholders, to make sure everyone is on side and heading in the same direction. R. Romanetz advised that this first process was the developmental stage and the next stage may include getting political people involved.

- 8.2 Director of Infrastructure Services
- 8.3 Director of Corporate Services
- 8.4 Director of Community Services
- 9.0 PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION (Quarterly Reports due April 18, 2005)

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- 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
- 15.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:41 PM.

MAYOR	
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	