

Town of Drumheller

COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES



July 10, 2006 4:30 PM Council Chambers, Town Hall
703 - 2nd Ave. West, Drumheller, Alberta

PRESENT:

MAYOR:

Paul Ainscough

COUNCIL:

Karen Bertamini

Larry Davidson

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:

Linda Handy

ABSENT: Councillor Don. Cunningham

Councillor Karen MacKinnon

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 MAYOR AINCOUGH'S OPENING REMARKS

2.1 Motion required to change the Council meeting of August 7, 2006 to August 8, 2006 due to the Statutory Holiday.

MO2006.223 Sparling, Shoff that the Regular Council meeting of August 7, 2006 be changed to August 8, 2006. Carried.

2.2 Mayor P. Ainscough presented a letter from MP Kevin Sorenson regarding request for a meeting.

2.3 Mayor P. Ainscough thanked the Town staff for their tremendous efforts in ensuring the July 1st events were carried out.

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Additions to agenda: 14.2 Councillor L. Davidson Update on Badlands Ambulance Society; 14.3 Councillor S. Shoff – Badlands Dinosaur Derby and Richard Cosgrave Memorial Rodeo.

MO2006.224 Sparling, Davidson moved the adoption of the agenda as amended. Carried.

5.0 MINUTES

5.1. ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

5.1.1 Council Regular Meeting - June 26, 2006

MO2006.225 Shoff Bertamini moved the adoption of the regular Council meeting minutes of June 26, 2006. Carried.

5.2 MINUTES OF MEETINGS PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION

5.3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.0 DELEGATIONS

6.1 Presentation of New Website

Chris Bolivar, Optamedia and Amber Marshall

Chris Bolivar presented the website located at www.dinosaurvalley.com. He stated that the new design features two main sections – Visiting Drumheller and Living in Drumheller and includes information from local weather to the latest Drumheller news. He further stated that the newly designed website is visually appealing and easy for residents, businesses and visitors to retrieve information. He stated that with increasing demands to provide information and services online, the redevelopment of the website increases the effectiveness of information delivery through the use of the Internet.

Mayor thanked Chris Bolivar and Amber Marshall for their presentation.

7.0 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS

8.1 CAO

8.1.1 Bylaw 15.06 Licensing Bylaw

R. Romanetz advised that further to the request from a downtown business owner for Council to review Bylaw 15.05 as it relates to regulating street selling by hawkers and

peddlers, proposed changes were presented to Council on July 4th for review. The changes proposed would not allow these sellers to carry on their business on any public property including parks, streets, and sidewalks within the Town unless there is a letter of permission from the Town. These sellers must also have a proper business license. The definition for hawkers and peddlers as stated is a standard clause used across the Province and no change is required in this area. He stated that the above noted changes have been included in Sections 3.23.1 and 3.23.2 of the new bylaw, Bylaw 15.06. Bylaw 15.05 would be repealed.

MO2006.226 Sparling, Shoff moved first reading to Bylaw 15.06. Carried.

MO2006.227 Sparling, Davidson moved second reading to Bylaw 15.06. Carried.

MO2006.228 Bertamini, Shoff moved no objection to third reading of Bylaw 15.06. Carried.

MO2006.229 Davidson, Shoff moved third reading to Bylaw 15.06. Carried.

8.2 Director of Infrastructure Services

8.2.1 RFD – Hillsview Phase 2 Undermining Report

W. Yeoman presented a detailed undermining report completed by Richard Wright of Norwest Corporation, dated May 26, 2006 with an emphasis on the Hillsview Subdivision Phase 2. A further report dated June 14, 2006 from the same firm provides engineering services and costs for the mitigation of No. 2 Elgin Shaft however they are not available to carry out the mitigation work until October, 2006. Another mitigation proposal was received from Palm Engineering dated June 27, 2006. By accepting the Mine Shaft Mitigation proposal submitted by Palm Engineering, the mitigation work can proceed immediately as there is a danger to public safety.

MO2006.230 Sparling, Bertamini that Council authorize Administration to accept the Mine Shaft Mitigation proposal submitted by Palm Engineering Ltd. Dated June 27, 2006 for the Elgin Mine No. 2 shaft. Carried.

8.2.2 RFD – Wastewater Treatment Plan Upgrade – Canada-Alberta Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (CAMRIF) Application

W. Yeoman stated that Stantec Consulting are currently working on the detailed design for the Drumheller Wastewater Treatment Plant and 19th St. Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Upgrade and Forcemain Upgrade Project. He further noted that these projects are all included separately in the Town of Drumheller's Capital Financing Strategy. As these projects are dependant on each other the design work is being completed together. He explained that the existing Drumheller Treatment Plant is 30 years old and is close to it's design capacity. The plant also requires a large amount of operator attention to keep the plant operational. Numerous mechanical, process and control upgrades were determined to be necessary to ensure operators will be able to meet permit treatment requirements and prevent future Plant upsets. An Engineering Study (Master Plan) was completed by Stantec in 2005 which provided the basis of the detailed design being worked on. The 19th

Street Lift Station has also proven to be very costly to maintain and unreliable in recent years. Upgrading of the 19th Street Lift Station without installing a new forcemain to the treatment plant would pose a high environmental risk as the old asbestos cement forcemain can not be relied upon to sustain higher flows and pressure resulting from the proposed larger pumps. The Town intends to submit an application to CAMRIF for the entire project and an approved application would see 66.67% grant funding of the total project costs. Stantec has estimated the total project cost at \$7 million. Maximum approved CAMRIF grant funding would equate to \$4.67 million. The deadline for the application for funding under the CAMRIF is July 31, 2006 and a motion is required from Council.

MO2006.231 Bertamini, Sparling that Council direct Administration to submit the detailed grant application for the "Drumheller Wastewater Treatment Plant / 19th Street Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Upgrade / Forcemain Upgrade Project" under the Canada-Alberta Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund as presented. Carried.

8.3 Director of Corporate Services

8.3.1 M. Minchin presented the Financial Statements to May 31, 2006 for Council's information. He stated that in addition to the \$1.6 million flood claims filed at the end of the year, \$1 million in road repairs is currently underway.

8.4 Director of Community Services

8.4.1 Update on Habitat for Humanity

S. Blevins advised that following the presentation from the Brooks Habitat for Humanity representatives, Town Council concurred that they would like to see a local Habitat for Humanity affiliate office in our community. The fundraising, house construction, family selection and other key decisions are carried out by local affiliates. Drumheller Institution is looking for partners with their housing project and they would like to be a part of Habitat for Humanity. A program is already set up for the inmates to work in Calgary but the Penitentiary want to do a local project. In September, the Drumheller Penitentiary in partnership with Clarke Builders and NAIT will have a crew that will do the structural work on a home. They are hoping the home they build will be a Habitat for Humanity Home in Drumheller. Drumheller needs to establish a local affiliate office in order to partner with the Drumheller Institution. The Town of Drumheller will facilitate the first few meetings however Habitat for Humanity must be administered by the Community. He stated that hopefully volunteers will step forward to form the board.

9.0 PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION **(Presentation of Quarterly Reports July 10, 2006)**

- 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 Councillor K. Bertamini provided an update on creating a Charitable Foundation for Drumheller. She stated that she spoke with the Chair of Sylvan Lake's Foundation which incorporated in 2000 and is just now giving out dollars for projects. The Town's role within the foundation is similar to that of Habitat for Humanity – the foundation must be administered by the community. Sylvan Lake is under the umbrella of Red Deer's Foundation however Drumheller is not within their district and would have to find a closer district. Their role would be to administer the program so the volunteer members can focus on fundraising, etc. The disadvantage of being under the umbrella of a district is that donors want assurance that their contribution will be used locally. Councillor K. Bertamini stated that a start up manual could be ordered that would provide more information.

14.2 Councillor L. Davidson advised that the RHA has agreed to negotiate with Badlands Ambulance Society on the inter-hospital transfers and hospital lease for the ambulances. He stated that Drumheller is the largest participating municipality with Badlands Ambulance Society and as such will have to contribute the largest portion towards a new ambulance facility. Councillor Davidson thanked M. Minchin for this leadership and work on the board. The Society has hired a half time position Administrative Assistant.

14.3 Councillor S. Shoff announced the upcoming Badlands Dinosaur Derby and the Richard Cosgrave Memorial Rodeo to be held on July 28, 29 and 30th. She encouraged everyone to attend the event. She thanked those who volunteer significant hours in preparation of and during the event.

15.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:38 PM.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER