

# **Town of Drumheller**

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

### **MINUTES**



**May 1, 2006** 4:30 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**

Councillor Karen MacKinnon was sworn in as Deputy Mayor for the months of May and June, 2006.

#### **2.0 MAYOR AINCOUGH'S OPENING REMARKS**

2.1 Mayor P. Ainscough proclaimed May 13<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> as Alberta Crime Prevention Week.

2.2 Mayor P. Ainscough proclaimed May 14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> as Census Week. Statistics Canada will conduct the Census of Population and Agriculture on May 16, 2006.

2.3 Mayor P. Ainscough proclaimed Wednesday as requested by the Communities in Bloom "Weed' N Wednesdays. The group encouraged everyone to assist in making Drumheller the envy of every town for miles around.

2.4 Mayor P. Ainscough presented a letter from Minister Rob Renner of Municipal Affairs advising approval of the Town's grant application under the 2005/06 Emergency Management Training Special Initiative. He advised that the Town had been awarded a grant of \$2,500 in support of emergency management training.

2.5 Mayor P. Ainscough presented a letter from Minister Rob Renner of Municipal Affairs advising he recently authorized payment of a 2006/2007 Unconditional Municipal Grant to Municipalities and Metis Settlements. Drumheller will receive a grant in the amount of \$23,960.

2.6 Mayor P. Ainscough presented a letter from Minister Denis Ducharme of Community Development in response to the Mayors and Reeves letter regarding provincial funding for public libraries. Minister D. Ducharme states that his department has invested new funding in the establishment of a province-wide network to link the libraries and enable library users to acquire materials from any library in the province. This means that people in rural and remote areas have the same access to information resources as do those in urban areas. They are also covering the monthly cost of the Alberta SuperNet for public libraries so that people throughout the province will have access to high speed broadband in their own community.

2.7 Mayor P. Ainscough presented a letter from Minister Gordon Graydon of Gaming in response to the Mayors and Reeves letter regarding the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission's Alberta Server Intervention Program. AGLC is responsible for licensing, regulating and monitoring liquor activities in Alberta. ASIP was established to provide a training program to ensure consistent training among Alberta's liquor licensees and raise awareness about the responsible sale and service of alcohol.

2.8 Mayor P. Ainscough proclaimed May 7<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> as Building Safety Week. This year's theme is "together - building a safer world".

### **3.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

### **4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

#### **Addition to Agenda**

- 4.1 Councillor D. Cunningham – Police Conference
- 4.2 Councillor L. Davidson – Legion District 9 Rally
- 4.3 Councillor L. Davidson – Palliser Regional Municipal Services
- 4.4 Councillor L. Davidson – RCMP Officer
- 4.5 Councillor S. Shoff – Drumheller Public Library

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**MO2006.107** Davidson, Shoff moved the adoption of the agenda as presented. Cd.

#### **4.0 MINUTES**

##### **5.1. ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

###### **5.1.1 Council Regular Meeting - April 18, 2006**

**MO2006.108** Davidson, Shoff approved the adoption of the minutes of the regular Council meeting of April 18, 2005 as presented. Cd.

##### **5.2 MINUTES OF MEETINGS PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION**

##### **5.3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

#### **6.0 DELEGATIONS**

**6.1** District Commander Bob Boyd and Staff Sgt. Rene Wells – Certificates of Appreciation to Constable Mark Logan, Constable Bruce Holliday, Mr. Harvey Saltas, Mr. Larry Morton

District Commander for Southern Alberta, S. Boyd, Staff Sergeant R. Wells presented Certificates of Appreciation to Police Officers and citizens for their actions taken during an event within the community. This award was being presented due to an incident on July 16, 2005 where a 16 year old youth stole a truck and trailer and collided with a pole. After the collision a fire broke out, Constable Logan and Constable Bruce Holliday tried to free the suspect, being unable to remove the youth they tried to extinguish the fire. The Constables were then joined by two citizens Mr. Harvey Saltas and Mr. Larry Morton who assisted in putting out the fire. Smoke was overtaking the suspect and Constable Logan took his shirt off, wet it down and held it over the youths face. The suspect had some minor injuries and was taken to hospital. Later it was determined that there was a broken gas line which continued to pump gas to the engine igniting the fire. Staff Sergeant Wells noted that this Certificate of Appreciation is to recognize all four people for their heroism in this incident.

Mayor P. Ainscough thanked Commander Bob Boyd, Staff Sergeant Wells and the nominees for their attendance.

##### **6.2 Ray Telford, Economic Development Officer, Canadian Badlands Marketing Presentation**

Ray Telford provided an update for the Canadian Badlands Marketing Committee. A lot of work and discussion has taken place to lay the foundation for creating the tourism Destination of the Canadian Badlands. An initiative of this scope requires everyone from community leaders and tourism operators to service providers to be aware of the initiative.

The Badlands will be promoting Natural History, Industrial/Heritage History, Arts Culture and Fun, and Western living. The vision of the Canadian Badlands is to create a quality, year round, branded, international, national, and local tourism destination for all ages. The goal of the Canadian Badlands is to develop partnerships. The new logo for the Canadian Badlands was unveiled with the various color combinations available.

## **7.0 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS**

## **8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS**

### **8.1 CAO**

#### **8.1.1 RFD – Approval of Ambulance Governance Advisory Council Grant Agreement**

R. Romanetz presented the per capita grant for delivery of the Ground Ambulance service, in the amount of \$129,000.

**MO2006.109** Bertamini, Sparling moved to authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign the Ground Ambulance Grant Agreement. Cd.

#### **8.1.2 RFD - Review of Membership for Economic Development Task Force (Bylaw 05-06)**

R. Romanetz noted that at the Council meeting held on March 6, 2006 the Economic Development Task Force Bylaw was passed. Council discussed how many members should sit on the Committee and the Bylaw was approved for four members. Six applications were received. He asked Council if they wished to consider additional appointments to the Bylaw. Council agreed that the Bylaw should remain as is and would conduct a secret ballot to determine membership in camera.

#### **8.1.3 RFD – Appointment to the Drumheller Housing Administration**

R. Romanetz advised that one application was received for the vacancy on the Drumheller Housing Administration Committee from Eloise Smylie.

**MO2006.110** Bertamini, Shoff that Council approve the appointment of Eloise Smylie to the Drumheller Housing Administration Committee expiring at Council's Organization Meeting in 2009. Cd.

#### **8.1.4 Cemetery Bylaw 09-06 – Amendment to Columbarium Standards (repealing Bylaws 03-03 & 10-03)**

R. Romanetz advised that this matter was discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on April 24<sup>th</sup> in East Coulee. These changes as reviewed are being incorporated into the Cemetery Bylaw.

**MO2006.111** Bertamini, Sparling moved first reading of Bylaw 09-06. Cd.  
**MO2006.112** Sparling, Shoff moved second reading of Bylaw 09-06. Cd.  
**MO2006.113** Bertamini, Sparling moved no objection to third reading. Cd.  
**MO2006.114** Davidson, Cunningham moved third reading of Bylaw 09-06. Cd.

## **8.2 Director of Infrastructure Services**

### **8.2 RFD – 2006 Street Improvement Program Tender Award**

W. Yeoman advised that the tender for the 2006 SIP closed April 27<sup>th</sup> and there were three contractors who attended the pre-tender meeting; South Rock, Border Paving and Brooks Asphalt. However the only bid received was from Brooks Asphalt and he recommended that Council accept this bid in the amount of \$1,408,047.50.

**MO2006.115** Shoff, Sparling that Council approve the awarding of the 2006 Street Improvement Program to Brooks Asphalt & Aggregates Ltd. subject to approval from Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation. Cd.

### **8.3 RFD – Downtown Walking Tour**

W. Yeoman advised that at the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 24, 2006 Doug Wade, representing the Downtown Drumheller Merchants Association, made a presentation regarding a walking tour. Last year the DDMA created a walking tour, which was guided by three fictitious retired coal miners as recorded on a CD. The record points out historic facts and encourages tourists to see the downtown area. They are requesting to paint red foot prints throughout the route downtown. There are some pros and cons to this proposal; there would be a lot of footprints if they were painted every 6 feet, they would lead people to the downtown area and they would need maintenance. W. Yeoman recommended that there are three alternatives to deal with this proposal; to approve the proposal as presented; deny the proposal; or approve in principle and meet with Doug Wade again to discuss concerns outlined and bring back to Council with revisions.

**MO2006.116** Sparling, Bertamini that Council approve the proposal in principle but subject to further review of revisions between the Downtown Drumheller Committee and Town Administration and further that the final design be brought back to Council for their approval. Cd,

## **8.3 Director of Corporate Services**

### **8.3.1 Council Policy C-03-06 Environmental Policy**

M. Minchin advised that the following 2003 policies require housekeeping and updating. There are no changes recommended at this time and he asked that all three policies be approved as presented.

Councillor K. Bertamini recommended that under Policy Statement Section b) **levels** of government be changed to **orders** of government.

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**MO2006.117** Bertamini, Davidson that Council approve Policy C-03-06 as amended. Cd.

### 8.3.2 Council Policy C-04-06 Risk Management Policy

M. Minchin noted that this is a general statement policy dealing with both insurance, lost prevention and safety.

**MO2006.118** Shoff, Sparling that Council approve Policy C-04-06 as presented. Cd.

### 8.3.3 Council Policy C-02-06 Safety Policy

M. Minchin reported that this Policy is a requirement of the OH&S legislation, which has to be updated every two years. This Policy also provides work procedure guides to the Committee.

**MO2006.119** Sparling, Bertamini that Council approve Policy C-02-06 as presented. Cd.

## 8.4 Director of Community Services

## 9.0 PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION

(Presentation of Quarterly Reports May 1, 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 Association of Police Governance Conference

Councillor D. Cunningham attended the annual meeting of the Association of Police Governance held in Fort Saskatchewan on April 27 & 28, 2006. Under the new Police Act, Municipalities with RCMP forces, can set up a Police Committee with certain responsibilities. He advised that there were two Detectives from Edmonton who gave a report on Crystal Meth and advised that there is a concern with contamination of their vehicles and clothing.

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As well the Alberta Community Development Branch identified training needs, IT plan. In 2000 the Solicitor General developed a plan for the free flow of communication between

the Police; this is still not in affect.

R. Romanetz, C.A.O noted that the Town has received a letter that provides information on the Police Committee option, which will be presented at the next Council's Committee meeting.

#### 14.2 Legion District 9 Rally

Councillor L. Davidson, on behalf of the Mayor, attended the Legion District 9 Rally. Honourable Kevin Sorenson and Honourable Shirley McClellan also attended along with 110 participants.

#### 14.3 Palliser Regional Municipal Services

Councillor L. Davidson advised that the PRMS 2005 Annual Audit has been completed. He noted that Palliser experienced a small deficit at year end. He also noted that there will be a further review of all funding options and Safety Code fees. PRMS has \$400,000 in their reserves.

#### 14.4 Additional RCMP Officer for Drumheller Institution

Councillor L. Davidson noted that there may be an opportunity to discuss this need with Honourable Stockwell Day and Honourable Harvey Cenaiko, Solicitor General. Administration will make arrangements for a meeting to discuss supplying additional resources at the Drumheller Institution.

**MO2006.120** Davidson, Bertamini that a letter be written to Honourable Stockwell Day and Honourable Harvey Cenaiko inviting them to attend a meeting.

Councillor L. Davidson also had discussions with Honourable Kevin Sorensen to work with us on this matter. Councillor K. Bertamini that the motion be amended to add Honourable K. Sorenson to attend this meeting. Council agreed.

**MO2006.121 AMENDED** Davidson, Bertamini that a letter be written to Honourable Stockwell Day, Honourable Harvey Cenaiko and Honourable Kevin Sorenson inviting them to attend a meeting. Cd.

#### 14.5 Library

Councillor S. Shoff reported that three individuals attended the Library Conference held in Jasper. Fund raising ideas were presented. The Library Board is requesting a letter from the Town supporting the Circulation Services Project. She advised that a Circulation Services Project enables disabled and handicapped individuals to access the facility.

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**MO2006.122** Shoff, Cunningham that Council send a letter in support of the Circulation Services Project for the Drumheller Public Library. Cd.

**15.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS MO2006.123** Cunningham, Shoff to go in camera at 6:18 PM. Cd.

15.1 Drumheller Regional Chamber of Development & Tourism – Request of Public Washrooms

15.2 Economic Development Task Force Board Appointment

**MO2006.124** Bertamini, Sparling to revert back to regular Council at 6:51 PM. Cd.

16.1 Drumheller Regional Chamber of Development & Tourism – Request of Public Washrooms

**MO2006.125** Davidson, Sparling that Council approve the scope change to the unexpended portion of the CIP Application No. C2003028 from the John Anderson Park to the DDCC washroom facility upgrade project with the understanding that these washroom facilities will be “public washrooms” and also subject to the DDCC committing to the project with matching funds (\$16,500) and subject to the CIP approving the change in scope. Cd.

16.2 Membership for Economic Development Task Force

**MO2006.126** Bertamini, McKinnon that Council approve Ray Page, Bob Sheddy, Marina Paarup and Boyd Greive as members of the Economic Development Task Force, for the term outlined in the bylaw. Cd.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE