

# **Town of Drumheller**

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

### **MINUTES**



**October 29, 2007** following Organizational Meeting at 4:30 PM  
Council Chambers, Town Hall  
703 - 2nd Ave. West, Drumheller, Alberta

#### **PRESENT:**

**MAYOR:**

Bryce Nimmo

#### **COUNCIL:**

Andrew Berdahl

Karen Bertamini

Don Guidolin

Blaine McDonald

Sharel Shoff

Terry Yemen

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ENGINEER:**

Ray Romanetz

#### **ACTING DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:**

Steve Huculak

#### **ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

Jerry Brett

#### **RECORDING SECRETARY:**

Linda Handy

**ABSENT: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES: Michael Roy**

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER @ 4:50 PM**

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

2.1 **MO2007.196** Shoff, Guidolin moved that the Council Meeting scheduled for November 12, 2007 be changed to November 13, 2007 at 4:30 PM due to Remembrance Day. Carried.

2.2 Mayor B. Nimmo presented a letter from Fay Holt Begg, Program Coordinator, Drumheller & District Literacy Project thanking the Town for their support by providing the much needed office space in the Drumheller Civic Centre for the past eleven years.

2.3 Mayor B. Nimmo advised that the AUMA Convention will be held in Calgary from November 28 to 30. He requested that Council confirm their attendance with Linda

Handy.

2.4 Mayor B. Nimmo proclaimed the week of November 18 – 25, 2007 as Restorative Justice Week.

### **3.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

### **4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MO2007.197** Yemen, Guidolin moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Carried.

### **5.0 MINUTES**

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

##### **5.1.1 Council Regular Meeting – October 1, 2007**

**MO2007.198** Shoff, Bertamini moved to adopt the regular Council meeting minutes of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 as presented. Carried.

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

##### **5.2.1 Municipal Planning Commission – September 13, 2007**

##### **5.2.2 Management Committee Meeting – October 9, 2007**

##### **5.2.3 Management Committee Meeting – October 23, 2007**

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

### **6.0 DELEGATIONS**

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

### **8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS**

#### **8.1 CAO**

##### **8.1.1 RFD – Municipal Sustainability Initiatives Long Term Funding Agreement**

CAO R. Romanetz advised that further to Council signing the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Grant Program for 2007 whereby the Town will receive funding in the amount of \$513,228.00, the Town has received a long term funding agreement from the Province for the remaining nine years. He further advised that the Province has agreed to a funding commitment for 10 years which will allow municipalities to plan on a long term basis. He explained that a capital project approved under the MSI must meet the grant objectives to work together in partnership with other municipalities to manage growth pressures and support infrastructure needs. The guidelines not been received as of yet.

**MO2007.199** Bertamini, Yemen that Council approve the Memorandum of Agreement under the Municipal Sustainability Initiative Capital Project Funding between Alberta Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Town of Drumheller for the remaining life of the

agreement. Carried.

#### 8.1.2 Information - Canadian Badlands Ltd. Appointments

R. Romanetz advised that the Canadian Badlands Ltd. are proposing changes to the Articles of Association at their annual meeting to be held on November 9<sup>th</sup>. He further advised that Mayor Bryce Nimmo, Councillor Karen Ann Bertamini and Ray Telford were appointed this evening to the Board and they will provide a report on the changes and impact this may have on municipalities. Mayor Bryce Nimmo advised that in order for the organization to continue for the time being the appointments have been assigned for continuity.

#### 8.1.3 RFD – Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Appointments

R. Romanetz advised that the terms of the current SDAB members expire on October 29, 2007 resulting in three vacancies on this board. Three applicants have submitted their names: Mrs. Carol Ludwig, Mr. Trevor Gough, and Mr. Michael Kostynuk. Both Carol and Trevor have previously served on this board and Michael has served on the Municipal Planning Commission. The term of the membership expires on the date of the 2008 Annual Organizational meeting.

**MO2007.200** Guidolin, Shoff that Council approve the appointments of Mrs. Carol Ludwig, Mr. Trevor Gough and Mr. Michael Kostynuk to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board for a term expiring on the date of the 2008 Annual Organizational Meeting. Carried.

### 8.2 Acting Director of Infrastructure Services

#### 8.2.1 RFD – East Coulee Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade Tender Award

Steve Huculak advised that the tender for the East Coulee Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade closed on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007. He advised that of the five contractors initially expressing an interest in the project, only one tender was received prior to the tender closing from Pronghorn Controls Ltd. of Drumheller in the amount of \$98,330 plus contingency and GST. The engineering portion of this project is \$46,000 for a total of \$144,330.00 capital cost. He advised that budget available is \$140,000.00.

**MO2007.201** Shoff, Bertamini that Council authorizes Administration to award the tender for the Coulee Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade to Pronghorn Controls Ltd. in the amount of \$98,330 plus GST.

#### Discussion on Motion:

Councillor S. Shoff queried a contingency of \$10,000.00. R. Romanetz advised that the contingency is for any unforeseen items that may arise during the retrofit of an older building. Councillor Andrew Berdahl queried the \$4300.00 budget overage. R. Romanetz advised that the difference would be made up from the cost savings on other capital projects or through the operations budget.

Vote on Motion: Carried.

### **8.3 Director of Corporate Services**

#### **8.3.1 RFD – Agreement for Emergency Dispatch Services**

In M. Roy's absence (Disaster Services training in Ottawa), R. Romanetz advised that the Town has worked with the City of Red Deer for the last five or six years for the provision of dispatch services. He further advised that the City of Red Deer has provided excellent service. He explained that the new agreement calls for an increase in the per capita rate. Other options would be to pursue other emergency dispatch services however they would have to be tied into the Town's communications systems. He recommended that Council approve an extension for a further five year term.

**MO2007.202** Yemen, McDonald that Council authorize Administration to enter into a five year agreement with the City of Red Deer for the provision of 911 Dispatch Services for the Town of Drumheller.

Discussion on Motion:

Councillor K. Bertamini asked if there is an "out" clause. R. Romanetz advised that the contract could be terminated in the case of non performance as outlined in the agreement, however was not aware if an "opt out" clause was included in the agreement.

Vote on Motion: Carried.

### **8.4 Acting Director of Community Services**

## **9.0 PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION (presentations from)**

9.1 CAO Union - CUPE negotiations added to next quarter work priorities.

9.2 Acting Director of Infrastructure Services

9.3 Director of Corporate Services

9.4 Acting Director of Community Services – R. Romanetz thanked J. Brett for his valuable efforts in serving in the capacity of Acting Director of Community Services. Councillor T. Yemen asked the timeframe for the Kneehill Bylaw Services contract. J. Brett stated that their service is necessary until the Town's bylaw officers receives their Peace Officer training. He further advised that arrangements with Kneehill extends to the end of the year. Councillor A. Berdahl requested a summary for revenue and expenses for both the Aquaplex and the Arena.

## **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 MO2007.203** Shoff, Bertamini to go in camera at 5:42 PM. Carried.

15.1 Water Treatment Plant Operations

**MO2007.204** Yemen, Guidolin to revert to regular Council meeting at 6:35 P.M.

15.1 Water Treatment Plant Operations

**MO2007.205** Bertamini, Yemen that Council authorizes administration to accept the proposal from EPCOR Water Services to provide operational assistance to the Town of Drumheller Water Treatment Plant as per the budget estimate submitted by EPCOR October 15, 2007. Carried

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER