

Town of Drumheller COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 19, 2010 at 4:30 PM

Council Chamber, Town Hall

703-2nd Ave. West, Drumheller, Alberta



PRESENT:

MAYOR:

Bryce Nimmo

COUNCIL:

Karen Bertamini

Blaine McDonald

Don Guidolin

Sharel Shoff

Terry Yemen

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ENGINEER:

Ray Romanetz

DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:

Allan Kendrick

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Paul Salvatore

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Linda Handy

ABSENT: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES: Michael Roy
Councillor Andrew Berdahl

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 MAYOR'S OPENING REMARK

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MO2010.114 Shoff, McDonald moved the adoption of the agenda as presented.
Carried unanimously.

5.0 MINUTES

5.1. ADOPTION OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

5.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2010

MO2010.115 Bertamini, Guidolin moved to adopt the regular Council

meeting minutes of June 21, 2010. Carried unanimously.

5.2. MINUTES OF MEETING PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION

5.2.1 Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of May 19, 2010

5.2.2 Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of June 3, 2010

5.3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.0 DELEGATIONS

- 6.1 Economic Development Task Force Update (Wayne Hove, Chair)
- Wayne Hove presented the recommendations from the Economic Development Objectives: A Blueprint for the Future. He stated that these objectives are based on the EDTF strategic planning session of March 24, 2010 and the inclusion of a recent recommendation from the Parking Task Force through Council. He further stated that the objectives are succinct to the Municipal Sustainability Plan. The following are the prioritized objectives:
- Priority 1 - Engage the community in a Municipal Branding process: He explained that in this context "branding" includes a brand based Communications Plan (Appendix). Councillor K. Bertamini stated that Drumheller already has a brand "Dinosaur Capital of the World - not just a place to visit". She further stated that Drumheller partners with the Canadian Badlands Ltd. to establish Drumheller as one of the four hubs of the Canadian Badlands tourism destinations. W. Hove stated that the Economic Development Task Force would like to embellish these values and bring a set of communications to this existing brand. He explained that there still needs to be a component that involves the values of the people of the community - growing that component is the number one foundation for economic development.
- Priority 2- Generate a "Towne Centre" icon within the Downtown Core: He explained that this means a "Town Square" where businesses can post announcements and it would form expectations across the downtown for what could be (anticipate that it will grow). Councillor K. Bertamini stated that the Mainstreet Program would encourage this as well.
- Priority 3 - Connecting Drumheller's Creative Community to expand the economy for both prime and shoulder visitor seasons: He explained that this would involve the development of an operating artistic community. He stated that Drumheller has yet to realize the potential of the high-level skills held in our community toward raising our regional economy.
- Priority 4 - Post-Secondary Education and Training: He explained that it is important for Drumheller to own their college - named "Drumheller

College". He stated that a college would increase the vitality of the community. He explained that a project team needs to be created with membership from Economic Development, political, private and public at large. He stated that it would involve partnerships with dollars from the Province, local municipality and private sector.

Priority 5 - Investment Development: He explained that this involves supporting the current investment activities within the region. He stated that it involves support from the existing Downtown Revitalization Corporation and investigating suitable opportunities for investment. Councillor K. Bertamini stated that historically Economic Development's role included not only bringing investments to the community but also looked at how to take care of the existing businesses within the community. She explained that it involves supporting what is already within the community, like the loss of the railway line. Wayne agreed that this component is part of Priority 5.

Wayne asked Council to support and adopt the Economic Development Task Force objectives as a mandate for Task Force for the next coming years.

Council agreed to discuss the objectives in detail at their next Council Committee meeting. Mayor B. Nimmo asked Wayne Hove to introduce the Economic Development Task Force. The Task Force members include: Mayor Bryce Nimmo and Ray Telford, EDO, Town of Drumheller, Barry Hoover, Reeve - Starland County, Connie Tremblay - Chamber, Diana Rowe, Andy Neuman, and Robin Lab - Members at Large, Ray Romanetz - CAO, Paul Salvatore - Director and Councillor Blaine McDonald. Mayor Nimmo thanked Wayne for his presentation.

7.0 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS

8.1. CAO

- 8.1.1 Bylaw 17.10 being a bylaw to amend the Land Use Bylaw by adding additional land uses to "A" - Agricultural District
- R. Romanetz advised that the applicant is Badlands Ski Hill (Zrinko Amerl) for an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to include boarding or lodging house, commercial tourist development, bed and breakfast establishment, restaurant (accessory to an associated principle use), drinking establishment - minor (accessory to an associated principle use) and active and passive recreational uses (where consistent with the general purpose of this district) as discretionary uses in the A - Agricultural Land use district. He stated that the applicant has met with Brad Wiebe, Director, Palliser Regional Municipal Services. He

explained that if Council proceeds to first reading, the draft amendment will be forwarded to the Municipal Planning Commission for their comments, B. Wiebe will prepare a planning report and the public hearing will be held at the next Council meeting, August 16th, 2010. He stated that the resurveying of the property and buildings to create a new ownership is still in progress. Councillor T. Yemen asked for clarification on the ownership of the land. R. Romanetz stated that the land is owned by the Drumheller Valley Ski Club. He stated that the application is signed by Zrinko Amerl on behalf of the Ski Club and he is assuming there is support from the other partnerships. He further stated that the proposed amendment to include the various activities would be a change to the A - Agriculture District throughout the community.

MO2010.116 Bertamini, McDonald for first reading to Bylaw 17.10. Carried unanimously.

8.1.2 Projects Update

R. Romanetz provided the following updates on work projects:

Community Facility

- Ground Breaking Ceremony held today, July 19th;
- Contractor is mobilizing forces and activity will be seen on the site in the near future.
- Items requiring attention include: detailed design of the kitchen to be presented to the Steering Committee; and the Administrative team will ensure that the silver lead requirements are finalized for compliance with the Leaders in Energy and Environmental Design.

Drumheller Landfill Project

- Scalehouse addition, including a 2nd scale installed which will be ready for use in the next few days;
- Extensive of water and sewage lines to all buildings on site completed;
- Retrofit to existing recycling building;
- New 5000 sq. ft. recycling building;
- Regional Recycling (cardboard and newsprint is now operational); and
- State of the art landfill including liners, leachate collection system and surface runoff detention ponds completed in the fall of 2009.

Waste Water Plant (Graham Construction)

- Commissioning of new plant has started (in transition);
- New secondary clarifier is now operational - existing secondary clarifier taken off line to be converted to a primary clarifier;
- Full commissioning of new headworks expected by the end of August; and
- Miscellaneous tie-in / cleanup by September 30, 2010.

Downtown Parking Lots

- Lot behind BMO (Vickers) completed;
- Lot behind CIBC (Harper) completed;
- Lot behind Library (Durnie) completed;
- Pavement completed last week;
- Line painting and landscaping to follow along with signage; and
- Directional line marking arrows to be installed for the new traffic configuration along 3rd Ave. W.

Downtown Recycling Depot

- Relocated to CNR property across from 7-11 Store;
- Lot has been graveled - bin locations will be reviewed for suitability; and
- CN has made land available as a public service.

Street Improvement Program

- Expected to start in two weeks;
- Poor weather across the Province has delayed numerous projects;
- Curb and gutter, milling and resurfacing (generally east end, no major base excavation projects; and
- Includes pedestrian crosswalk and intersectional improvement at St. Anthony's School on North Dinosaur Trail.

Municipal Sustainability Plan

- Palliser, Administration and Steering Committee have held three meetings over the last 6-8 weeks;
- Two weeks away from the draft being presented to Council and the public involvement phase will be the next step.

Cast Iron Water Program

- Most of work on 1st Avenue from Bridge to Arena has been completed;
- Dawson Wallace / Knibb Construction have met to coordinate installation of utilities through Badlands Community Facility and the east access.

Cart System

- Two weeks into the transition;
- Going reasonably well with 95% co-operation; and
- Remaining issues are being dealt with one on one.

Tourism Master Plan

- Initial Meeting held on July 7th;
- Next steps, timelines and roles were discussed;
- Projected completion date is January 2011; and
- Mayor Bryce Nimmo will be Council's representative on their Steering Committee.

Questions and Comments:

Councillor T. Yemen asked if the garbage truck can pick up smaller size

containers. A. Kendrick stated that the truck can pick up various sizes. T. Yemen further asked if the Town can track comparables on garbage weights - comparisons on last year loads versus this year. R. Romanetz stated that weight comparisons should be taken in the winter versus the summer (as summer months have a lot of heavy grass clippings, etc.).

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

10.0 PUBLIC HEARING DECISIONS

11.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12.0 NOTICES OF MOTIONS

13.0 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

13.1 Councillor T. Yemen - Request for Banner "2011 Centennial of Coal Mining in the Valley"

Councillor Yemen advised that the Committee for the 100th Anniversary of Coal Mining would like to have a mechanism installed at the Drumheller entrance signs so they could hang a banner to announce this special event. He advised that other groups would be able to use this area to announce their special events as well. R. Romanetz advised that Administration will review the matter and bring a report back to Council.

14.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS

There being no further items, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer