

Town of Drumheller COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 8, 2013 at 4:30 PM
Council Chamber, Town Hall
703-2nd Ave. West, Drumheller, Alberta



PRESENT:

MAYOR:

Terry Yemen

COUNCIL:

Andrew Berdahl

Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk

Sharel Shoff

Doug Stanford

DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:

Allan Kendrick

ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES:

Bill Wulff

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Paul Salvatore

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Linda Handy

ABSENT: Councillors: Jay Garbutt
Tom Zariski

1.0 CALL TO ORDER @ 4:30 PM

Mayor Terry Yemen, with Drumheller's Dragons lost to the Brooks Bandits and wearing their jersey, proclaimed that the City of Brooks is a great place.

Mayor T. Yemen presented a letter from Alberta Sport, Recreation Parks & Wildlife Foundation which advises that the status of the Municipal Recreation/Tourism Areas grant program which the Town has received funding through this program for the operation and maintenance of Newcastle Beach Recreation Area will be reduced by 50%. In 2013, the Town will receive \$4,000.

2.0 MAYOR'S OPENING REMARK

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MO2013.61 Shoff, Stanford move to adopt 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 March 25, 2013

MO2013.62 Hansen-Zacharuk, Stanford moved to adopt the regular Council meeting minutes of March 25, 2013 as presented. Carried unanimously.

5.2. MINUTES OF MEETING PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION

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 Bylaw 09.13 being a bylaw to close a portion of an undeveloped road allowance (17th Street SW) and a portion of 16th Street SW and a portion of a lane from public use

R. Romanetz advised that the bylaw proposes to close unused road allowances within the ski hill / passion play combined site area and for the area to be consolidated for the creation of a number of lots as identified Schedule C. Once the road allowances are closed, the Passion Play will proceed with subdivision of the Town owned land located to the south and finalize a long standing lease / sales agreement with the Passion Play. Titles will be created for Parcels 3, 4 and 5 transferred to the Passion Play (at a value established by Council for a not for profit society). Parcels 1 and 2 will be consolidated with the area that the Town would lease to the Passion Play (previously used as an auto wreckers yard) because of the servicing difficulties with the sharp slope of the land. Hunter Survey Systems is the applicant working on behalf of the Passion Play. He recommended that Council proceed to first reading to allow for the public hearing process to be held on May 6th and circulation to the utility companies.

MO2013.63 Shoff, Hansen-Zacharuk for first reading of Bylaw 09.13. Carried unanimously.

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 Doug Stanford advised that on March 19, 2013 Councillors A. Berdahl, D. Stanford and Director of Infrastructure Services A. Kendrick attended a seminar on Water Conservation with Albertans which was sponsored by the Alberta Government. This seminar allowed for the public to provide input in identifying key issues and outline a number of possible directions the Government of Alberta could enhance our stewardship and management of water resources. This direction could involve staying on course in some areas; it could serve to highlight needs for further education and engagement in other areas or require the development of new or enhanced water policies. The main issues discussed were:

1. Drinking Water and Wastewater
2. Hydraulic Fracturing and Water
3. 3. Water Flow and Optimization
4. Healthy Lakes. Water Conversations Report

Councillor A. Berdahl stated that discussions focused as well on the balance between regionalization and individual systems and how to maintain healthy management of both. Allocations of water from the Red Deer River were another conversation of importance.

A. Kendrick advised that there are advantages and disadvantages with regionalization of water and wastewater. There would be consistent products coming out of the pipe as standards would be the same across the province for both. R. Romanetz advised that he received a copy of a letter from CAO Ross Rawlusk from Starland County in response to some matters being discussed at the provincial level and how these changes could impact how municipalities do business - with Scotland privatization being cited as an example. In this case, various water treatment plants are connected with each being metered for costing of usage; this could be an issue with trying to balance the system.

14.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS

R. Romanetz advised that landfill face area is currently very rutted from the frost coming out and he asked the public to be patient and only use the landfill if absolutely necessary. Short term options have been set up with a drop off at the entrance with the larger trucks still accessing the site.

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 4:47 PM

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer