

Town of Drumheller COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 25, 2014 at 4:30 PM
Council Chamber, Town Hall
224 Centre Street, Drumheller, AB, T0J 0Y4



PRESENT:

MAYOR:
Terry Yemen

COUNCIL:
Jay Garbutt
Patrick Kolafa
Tara McMillan
Tom Zariski

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ENGINEER:
Ray Romanetz

DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:
Allan Kendrick

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:
Paul Salvatore

CONSULTANT
Bill Wulff

RECORDING SECRETARY:
Linda Handy

ABSENT: Councillor Sharel Shoff
Councillor Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk
Director of Corporate Services Barb Miller

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Terry Yemen called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

1.1 Councillor Tom Zariski was sworn in as Deputy Mayor for the months of September and October, 2014.

2.0 MAYOR'S OPENING REMARK

2.1 Mayor Terry Yemen presented a letter from Hon. Heather Klimchuk, Minister of Alberta Culture re Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards 2014 - Call for Nominations requesting nominees to be forwarded to her office prior to September 15th.

2.2 Mayor Yemen presented a letter from Hon. Greg Weadick, Minister of Municipal Affairs advising of the approval for flood mitigation funding in the amount of \$246,200.

2.3 Mayor Yemen proclaimed September 2014 as Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month.

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MO2014.124 Garbutt, Zariski moved 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 July 28, 2014

MO2014.125 Garbutt, Kolafa moved to adopt the regular Council meeting minutes 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 08.14 being a bylaw to designate a municipal heritage building - third reading

R. Romanetz advised that Bylaw 08.14 received first and second readings at Council's meeting of July 28th. He further advised that a question was raised as to the costs of

plaques that would be placed on the designated historical buildings. P. Salvatore advised that the cost for plaques is an item of discussion for the next Committee meeting – an estimate may be between \$500 to \$1000 per plaque and details such as the description of significance will have to be confirmed.

MO2014.126 Zariski, Garbutt for third reading of Bylaw 08.14.

Discussion on Motion:

Councillor J. Garbutt asked the estimated buildings that will be designated in 2015. P. Salvatore stated that there may be 5-10 depending on the receptiveness of the property owners. He also requested that P. Salvatore research if the Province provides signage.

Vote on Motion: Carried unanimously.

8.1.2 RFD - RCMP Services for Tough Mudder Event

R. Romanetz advised that a request has been put forward through our Municipal Police Services Agreement for additional police services for the Tough Mudder event. Staff Sgt. A. Hopkins recommends five (5) members equivalent to 140 hours with a cost totalling \$11,900. These costs are to be reimbursed from the Drumheller Festival Association as per prior discussions between the parties.

MO2014.127 Zariski, McMillan that Council requests the RCMP to provide the additional policing services equivalent to 140 hours and the Town agrees to pay these additional costs to cover the Tough Mudder event to be held from September 6 – 7, 2014; and further that these costs be reimbursed from the Drumheller Festival Association.

Discussion on Motion:

Councillor T. Zariski advised that this matter was discussed at the CAC meeting and it sets the precedent for future events – that additional policing service costs need to be paid for by the event organizers.

Vote on Motion: Carried unanimously.

8.1.3 Update on Flood Mitigation

R. Romanetz provided an update on flood mitigation as follows:

- Disaster Recovery Program grant approved (application made in 2013 for flood expenditures incurred along with 2014 engineering and future staffing requirements). Additional funds applied for under the Southern Alberta Flood Response Program (application applied for in March 2013 and as the Mayor announced early in the meeting tonight, approval granted in the amount of \$246,200); In response to a question from Council, R. Romanetz advised that \$606,000 of a total estimated claim of \$1.2M has been received with \$400,000 related to upgrading of damaged roads and \$75,000 related to repairs at the Fountain area will be reimbursed once the Town submits the paid invoices to the Province;
- In order to expedite the project, the Town has been working closely with the Province and they agreed that the Town call for proposals from engineering firms rather than

waiting for approval from the Minister. The Town received seven proposals with Stantec being selected as the consultant based on the weighting criteria. Stantec's role and expectations will be to move Drumheller's flood mitigation forward as identified in the Provincial Report (prepared by Stantec dated October 2013). The projects, of which a good number are enhancements to existing infrastructure and others are proposed as agreed to with the Province back in 1985, 75% of the Province's commitment at that time has been completed however there are outstanding areas particularly in Rosedale and Lehigh. The Town would approach the Province requesting that those projects be funded through the former commitment (commitment identified as the need for a dyking system to be built through Drumheller after the Dickson Dam was constructed).

- A new provincial grant, Alberta Community Resilience Program, a 3-year \$325M grant program administered by Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development to support municipalities in the development of long term resilience to flood planning goals for the future. Funding is 90% of the engineering and construction costs up to \$3M and 70% for costs in excess of \$3M. Costs associated with the operation and maintenance of a project are the responsibility of the municipality and are not eligible as part of the total costs of the project. The intention is to submit our application by September 30th.

- A third program announced last fall, 2013 Flood Recovery Erosion Control Program, with funding at 100%. The Town intends to submit a grant application for funding to remediate the bank erosion on 9th Street NW. He further explained that during the last flood more bank and sandstone used for flood protection has been washed away – this is a high priority and dyking is needed to protect North Drumheller.

- A fourth program that the Town is working with the Province includes the wall on Michichi Creek that has eroded away – repairs done this spring have not stood up very well and some areas has been undermined as well. Although this is Transportation's responsibility, the Town needs to ensure that remedial work is carried out and plans are in place to reinforce the entire alignment of the Michichi Creek.

- The province indicated they would work with the Town on existing development zones and future growth areas. The mapping is being worked on by Palliser and shared with the Province to ensure it meets their requirements. The mapping identifies the regulated floodway area versus what the province is using – natural flows (the Town's map has less flooding restrictions). The Town intends to meet with stakeholders, get their views on the new mapping and include public input into the reports.

- The Town intends to prioritize projects working with Stantec and the Province. The Province will have the local municipality confirm the direction – there is no stakeholder engagement for prioritizing projects.

8.1.4 Update on Walmart Wall

R. Romanetz advised that in May, 2014 Walmart had agreed to rebuild the wall and this did not happen. They confirmed that they did not have the appropriate number of contractors to bid on the job and they wished to retender the work. However, at that time, they did not provide any new timelines. He further advised that the Town issued an order stating that their response was not satisfactory and that the wall needed to be secured within 14 days and within 30 days they had to provide an updated schedule for the reconstruction of the wall. He advised that very shortly after issuing the order, the

temporary security fencing was put up yet the Town has not heard any further plans from Walmart and the order will expire early September.

8.2. DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

8.2.1 Update on East Coulee Fill Station

A. Kendrick advised that he is waiting for a price breakdown on additional costs for the fill station's cosmetic features as this was not part of the overall bid. He further advised that some quotes that have come in that need a closer inspection to ensure good value for the project and to ensure it is a competitive bid. The Town will do some base work in short order and in discussions with Knibbs Construction, they are prepared to get started with the grading of the site shortly.

Councillor J. Garbutt questioned whether the hydrant location is the best functional location. A. Kendrick stated that the location is under review to assess whether it is an appropriate location.

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 NOTICE OF MOTION

13.0 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

14.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS

14.1 Legal Matter **MO2014.128** Garbutt, McMillan moved to go in camera at 5:15 PM. Carried unanimously.

MO2014.129 McMillan, Zariski to revert to regular Council meeting at 5:27 PM. Carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:27 PM.

Regular Council Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2014

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer