

Town of Drumheller COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 27, 2014 at 4:30 PM
Council Chamber, Town Hall
703-2nd Ave. West, Drumheller, Alberta



PRESENT:

MAYOR:

Terry Yemen

COUNCIL:

Jay Garbutt

Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk

Patrick Kolafa

Tara McMillan

Sharel Shoff

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ENGINEER:

Ray Romanetz

DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:

Allan Kendrick

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES:

Byron Nagazina

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Paul Salvatore

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Corinne Macdonald

ABSENT: Councillor Tom Zariski

1.0 CALL TO ORDER – 4:30 PM

2.0 MAYOR'S OPENING REMARK

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING

4.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 2014.15 Hansen-Zacharuk, Garbutt 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 January 13, 2014

MOTION 2014.16 Garbutt, Shoff moved to adopt the regular Council Meeting minutes of January 13, 2014 as presented. Carried unanimously.

5.2. MINUTES OF MEETING PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION

5.3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.0 DELEGATIONS

6.1 Economic Development Task Force - Chair Diana Rowe

Diana Rowe, Chairman, provided an overview of the Task Force activities over the last year. In her report she noted that the Task Force will be asking Council to consider the addition of two members; one from the DMO and the other from Alberta Works (Alberta Government Agency).

6.2 Early Childhood Asset Survey - Diana Rowe, Linde Turner and Michelle Volkart

Diana Rowe and Linde Turner were present to provide an overview of the Drumheller and Area Early Childhood Development Coalition; Drumheller, Carbon, Morrin, Rumsey, Rowley and Rosebud are included. D. Rowe advised that the DECD Coalition undertook the process of mapping assets and needs of the community for supporting early childhood development. Their hope is to build partnerships and start discussions on how to improve difficult situations for families in our area who are raising young children.

6.3 Big Country Anti Violence

Marion Ewing, Big Country Anti Violence Association, was present to give an overview of the 3rd Walk a Mile event, where men put on red high heels and walk a mile for family violence. M. Ewing noted that this program is trying to get men involved in discussions on this subject. She advised that in 2010 the proceeds went into the design and maintenance of a web site, which has links to resources on family violence. There is now an emergency fund to assist victims for safe housing. Proceeds have been directed to the Angel Corner project. They have hired a local therapist and looking at hiring a second because of the demand in our area. Their goal is to teach men strategies that they can use to improve relationships. This year's event will be held on May 21st.

7.0 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

8.0 REQUEST FOR DECISION REPORTS

8.1. CAO

8.1.1 RFD - Safety Policy

R. Romanetz, CAO, reported that the Partners in Industry Reduction Program is a joint effort involving Alberta Occupational Health and Safety, the Workers Compensation Board and the Municipalities. The objective of the program is to raise safety awareness and reduce the number of lost time accidents in the Municipality. Municipalities have to

pass a safety audit and maintain an overall mark of 80%. A Policy adopted by Council shows leadership and support at the political level.

MOTION2014.17 Hansen-Zacharuk, Garbutt adopt the Safety Policy C-14-02 as presented. Carried unanimously.

8.1.2 RFD - Policing Committee Appointment

R. Romanetz, CAO advised that the Town is trying to restart the Policing Committee. Once membership is confirmed the Committee will meet to discuss next steps.

MOTION2014.18 Shoff, McMillan that Council approve the appoints of Jim Decore for a further one year term expiring on the date of Council's 2014 Annual Organizational meeting and Larry Keddie for a two year term expiring on the date of Council's 2015 Annual Organizational meeting; and further that Brian Holsworth from Kneehill County be approved for a three year term expiring on the date of Council's 2016 Annual Organizational meeting. Carried unanimously.

8.2. DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

8.2.1 Update on Sewer Odor Remediation

A. Kendrick advised that Administration has met several times with Alberta Infrastructure to discuss remediation options. The Province has hired MPE Engineering to prepare a report to identify the issues and the proposed solution. The Town has asked for a copy of the report once it is completed. The Province have put out a tender package to change some valves, jet clean the line and then video the line. Town staff recently flushed the line and when finished it was clear. The Province has asked that any concerns coming in be forwarded to them. There are some other options that the Town could try; build a stack, solar type fan or UV treatment, which would be very expensive. R. Romanetz noted that the Province has acknowledged that the problem is being created from their end. Mayor T. Yemen noted that there is no confirmation that these changes will improve the situation for residents. R. Romanetz noted that he does not believe this will be a complete fix to the problem, however it will help. Councillor P. Kolafa asked what the purpose of them holding on to these solids. A. Kendrick advised that they have a small diameter line and the holding tank is needed to push the solids through. Councillor J. Garbutt noted that generally we are great partners with our political partners, but they are not grasping that these residents are not being able to enjoy their own properties. Council agreed that this is a political issue as this matter has not been dealt with for a number of years and a letter needs to be sent to Alberta Infrastructure.

8.3. DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

8.4. DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

9.0 PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION

- 9.1 CAO Quarterly Report from October 1 to December 31, 2013
Flood Report – Councillor J. Garbutt noted that residents are already discussing potential flooding with the snow levels and recommended Administration send out updated press releases in the Spring during run

off season.
2013 Annual Report

9.2 Director of Infrastructure Services' Quarterly Report from October 1 to
December 31, 2013
2013 Annual Report

9.3 Director of Corporate Services' Quarterly Report from October 1 to
December 31, 2013
2013 Annual Report

9.4 Director of Community Services' Quarterly Report from October 1 to
December 31, 2013
2013 Annual Report

10.0 PUBLIC HEARING DECISIONS

11.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12.0 NOTICE OF MOTION

13.0 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

14.0 IN-CAMERA MATTERS

MOTION2014.21 Hansen-Zacharuk, McMillan moved to go in-camera 6:50 PM. Carried unanimously.

14.1 Legal Matter

14.2 Labour Matter

MOTION2014.22 Hansen-Zacharuk, McMillan moved to revert to regular Council Meeting at 7:56 PM. Carried unanimously.

MOTION2014.23 McMillan, Shoff made the motion to recommend Council accept Council Policy #C-01-14 with the amendment to B. Sub-section 6 to read as follows: "6. A copy of the employment contract supplementary to this Policy will be negotiated between the Municipality and the Employee." Carried unanimously

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer