

April 10, 2012

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2012, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.**

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Gorcak, Councillor Allison, Councillor Lafontaine, C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone and Kendra Miller from Chapman and Company.
- DELEGATION:** **Auditor Kendra Miller** – reviewed the 2011 Financials. Delegation exited at 5:55pm.
- RESOLUTION** **Councillor Allison moved to approve the 2011 Audited Financials Statements. CARRIED.**
- AGENDA:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED.**
- MINUTES:** **Councillor Allison moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on March 27<sup>th</sup> 2012, be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** **1) Wild Pink Yonder** – t-shirts quote received. The cost would be \$15/shirt plus shipping. Wild Pink Yonder Charitable Society pledge forms are available at the Village Office.
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to purchase 50 “Ride for the Brand” pink t-shirts, which will be sold for \$20 each. The extra \$5/t-shirt will be donated to the Wild Pink Yonder Charitable Society. CARRIED.**
- 2) Quotes for 306 Alberta Ave.** – 2 quotes were received for the demo of the property:
1. D & M Trucking - \$1,800 and
  2. Rindal Construction Ltd. - \$6,400.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to approve the quote received from D & M Trucking for \$1,800 to demo the property located at 306 Alberta Ave. CARRIED.**
- Discussion followed on the property at #2 Fairway Place. This property will be advertised to be moved, in the Veteran, Consort and Coronation papers for 2 weeks and on our website.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to advertise the property located at #2 Fairway Place to be moved in the local papers for 2 weeks. CARRIED.**
- 3) Hall Cabinets** – Ron dropped off a sketch of the cabinets and wood color samples. Council choose the natural stain color and thought it was a good idea to put the microwave in the cupboards off of the counter.
- BYLAWS:** **none**
- NEW BUSINESS:** **1) Museum Blinds** – it was suggested that council get new blinds for the museum. Before council ordered new blinds, the question was brought up - Does the museum need blinds? Debbie will look into it.
- 2) Draft Indemnity Agreement** – between the Village of Veteran and Victor Hatheway for the demo of the property located at 306 Alberta Ave. was presented for review. Mr. Hatheway will be sent a copy of the agreement for his review/approval and signature.
- 3) Bylaw Fines** – Eric Holmberg stopped in the office last week and met with Mayor Gorcak and CAO Debbie Johnstone. He reviewed their plans for 2012. There was discussion on bylaws and the fines for offenses. He suggested that the minimum fine should be \$500. He also advised that if we had proper documentation for complaints, such as dog complaints, he would get involved, as long as the complainant would submit a statement.
- The Dog Bylaw we be changed and an aggressive dog component will be added to the new bylaw. Dogs will not be allowed to bark anytime during the day or night. Debbie will begin to work on the new bylaw.
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to make a new policy for the Schedule of Dog Fees and Penalties with the following amounts:**
- 1<sup>st</sup> offense \$250,
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> offense \$500. **CARRIED.**
- 4) Tax Sale Date** – 2 properties to go up for auction unless payment in full is received prior to the tax sale date:
1. 108 Balaclava Street – Jaron Cotter &
  2. 108 Wheatbelt Road - Dean White and Shelley Haugen
- The Tax Sale date has been set for Wednesday July 25, 2012 at 10:00am at the Village Office. The reserve bids were set based on their 2012 assessment.
- RESOLUTION** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to set the following reserve bids for the tax sale properties:**
1. 108 Balaclava Street - \$80,000
  2. 108 Wheatbelt Road - \$30,000. **CARRIED.**

Summer council meeting dates were discussed.

**RESOLUTION** Mayor Gorcak moved to set the council meetings dates for July and August as follows:

- 1. July 24, 2012 &
- 2. August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012. CARRIED.

5) **303 Lucknow Street** – a letter was received from the owners, Lee and Joan Shackleton. They are willing to sign over their property to the Village if we paid the transfer costs, which would be around \$250, per Roger. E. Spady.

**RESOLUTION** Councillor Allison moved to proceed with the transfer of title for the property located at Plan 6224HW, Block 12, Lot 15. The Village would only pay for the transfer costs. CARRIED.

6) **STEP Applications** – 4 applications were received.

- 1. Karlin Stickel
- 2. Trevor Usselman
- 3. Brittany Kitt
- 4. Wesley Noble

**RESOLUTION** Councillor Allison moved to hire Karlin Stickel at \$12.50/hour and Brittany Kitt at \$12/hour for the 2012 STEP. CARRIED.

7) **2012 Draft Budget** – was presented for review. A 2012 Sidewalk Project was discussed. Prices are required before an application can be submitted.

8) **Flowers** – the Village will be buying all pink flowers for all 7 of the self watering planters for Wild Pink Yonder. They will place their order with the CIB.

9) **Standard Operating Procedures Approval Required** – for Water Treatment tests and routine operation procedures for monitoring and analysis.

**RESOLUTION** Mayor Gorcak moved to approve the Standard Operating Procedures and the Waterworks System Operations Plan. CARRIED.

**COUNCILLORS REPORT:**

**Mayor Gorcak** – went over the tree order for 2012. 21 trees will be ordered. The Lions will be paying for 5 trees. Pat attended water meetings.

**Councillor Allison** – no report.

**Councillor Lafontaine** – reported on the Acadia Foundation minutes of March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The next meeting is on April 17<sup>th</sup> in Hanna. Signage on 884 was brought up and will be forwarded to Ledcor.

**C.A.O. REPORT** A report was presented to council.

**RESOLUTION** Mayor Gorcak granted permission for the CAO to attend the LGAA Zone Four meeting in Consort on April 27<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 3pm. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION:** Councillor Allison moved to accept the CAO report as presented. CARRIED.

**FINANCIAL**

**RESOLUTION:** Councillor Allison moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$46,214.00 as presented. CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE:** The following items of correspondence were reviewed:

**Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:**

PrairieLand Board highlights – Mar 28

Palliser – Spring AGM – Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00pm. Jan will attend.

**Information Items:**

AMHSA – April newsletter

Veteran Cemetery Society – revised letter

LGAA – Zone 4 meeting in Consort, Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> – 10 to 3. Debbie will attend.

Foreman’s March timesheet

All correspondence was accepted as information.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.