

April 24, 2012

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2012, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Gorcak, Councillor Allison, Councillor Lafontaine, and C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone.
- DELEGATION:** **5:28pm - Wanda Diakow, Special Areas #4 Economic Development Officer**
Projects she is currently working on include Daycare, Business Directory, and Shop and Eat Local. Wanda exited at 6:00pm.
- 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 April 10th 2012, be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED.**
- DELEGATION:** **6:04pm - Dennis from Corix and the Village Foreman joined the meeting.**
Dennis reviewed what the new replacement water meters from Sensus look like. They are no lead, fully electrical, low flow meter, 6 psi pressure drop, instead of 15 or 12, stores 35 days of data with a flow of 35 gallons/minute. The new handheld will cost approximately \$7,742.31. This will have to be budgeted for next year. Our current handheld is discontinued. Dennis exited at 6:28pm.
Village Foreman – Karlin started today, new light plant for fire hall has been purchased, all that is left for the fire hall addition is the pouring of the front apron. The new hoses for the fire truck will be coming next week, and the sidewalk projects start date is May 7th. Foreman exited at 6:35pm
- DELEGATION:** **6:35pm - Billy Jo Rossing, Coordinator for Coronation/Consort Victim Services joined the meeting.**
Their boundaries are the same as the Coronation/Consort detachment boundaries, from the border to Halkirk. Billy Jo discussed her duties and the volunteers, how they become involved, and what they offer to victims, which is basically short term intervention. Billy Jo exited at 6:45pm.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to approve \$2.00 per capita, as recommended by the Solicitor General, to the Coronation/Consort Victim Services, in the amount of \$500. CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** 1) **Indemnity Agreement 306 Alberta Ave.** – signed by both parties.
2) **Wild Pink Yonder** – t-shirts have been received. He have sold 2 so far.
- BYLAWS:** **Draft Dog Bylaw #506-12** – will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- NEW BUSINESS:** 1) **Audited Financial Statement Summary**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to put a notice in the Veteran Eagle stating the Audited 2011 Financial Statement Summary for the Village of Veteran is available at the Village Office for viewing during regular business hours. CARRIED.**
- 2) **2012 Tree Order**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to order the following trees from Linden Tree Farms:**
- **12 Schubert Chokecherries**
 - **8 Thunderechild Flowering Crapapple**
 - **1 MayDay Tree**
 - **4 Swedish Aspens, in the amount of \$2,240 including delivery. CARRIED.**
- 3) **2012 Sidewalk Project** – project includes 410 feet of sidewalk, 132 feet of curbs, plus the costs for removal of sidewalk, hauling of debris, gravel and asphalt etc.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to approve for submission the 2012 Sidewalk Project application in the amount of \$58,866 to the Federal Gas Tax Fund and the Basic Municipal Transportation Grant. CARRIED.**
- 4) **2012 Arena Lighting Upgrade Project** – 3 quotes were received.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve for submission the 2012 Arena Lightning Upgrade application in the amount of \$9,000 to the Federal Gas Tax Fund. CARRIED.**
- 5) **McCormick Photography** – quote received for 16 x 20 and 20 x 30 aerial picture of the Village. Some local framers will be contacted for the framing of the picture.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to purchase the 20 x 30 aerial photograph of the Village from McCormick Photography for \$158 including shipping. CARRIED.**
- COUNCILLORS REPORT:**
- Mayor Gorcak** –SMRWSC will be increasing water rates to \$2.24/cube for the year, due to a number of factors. From April to December, the charge/cube will be \$2.37. Our budget will have to be changed. The next water meetings are scheduled for May 10, 17 and 24th.
There are some trees to be trimmed on Lucknow (Kary -1) and Redan Street. (Elliott-5)

DELEGATION: **7:15pm Debbie Crawford observed the meeting.**
Councillor Allison – discussed the state of the shop yard. Items could be removed and re-organized to look tidier.
Councillor Lafontaine – attended the April 17th Acadia Foundation meeting. The grand opening has been pushed back until the fall. The next meeting is May 15th in Hanna. A BCWMC meeting was also attended. Their next meeting is on July 18th.

DELEGATION: **7:20pm Janice Lee Likness and Debbie Crawford with the Veteran Cemetery Society joined the meeting.**
 Topics discussed included payroll, equipment, insurance, signage and the Cemetery Bylaw. The Society has no concerns with new cemetery bylaw. Delegation exited at 7:37pm.
Councillor Lafontaine - report continued. A complaint was received regarding the dog barking letters sent out.
 A quote will be received from Tony Selzler for a cemetery sign, per the cemetery society's request.

C.A.O. REPORT A report was presented to council.
 ATCO Gas will be sending 10 employees to work 5 hours in one day to help the village complete various jobs around town in preparation for homecoming.
 The Veteran School town clean up will be on May 11th. Ice cream treats will be purchased for the kids.

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 \$19,086.27 as presented. CARRIED**

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items of correspondence were reviewed:
Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:
 Tourism, Parks & Rec. – 2012 Energize Workshop – October 18-20, 2012 in Jasper.
 Recreation volunteer recognition awards – deadline for submissions is June 22, 2012.
 Eat Local – SAB and PEP – share ideas on growing a local food economy – April 25th in Consort from 6-9:30 @ Henry Kroeger Community Centre - Jan will attend.
Information Items:
 Alberta Sport – approved for 2012 Veteran Centennial Campsite Grant for \$2,400
 Alberta Health Services – hall food safety inspection report. The hall appears to be very well maintained. No concerns. She did suggest deeper sinks since we were redoing the cabinets and countertops.
 DRAM – class action for price fixing. Exclude ourselves.
 Alberta Home Visitation Network Association – March newsletter
 ATCO Electric – re: WPY – they do not make financial contributions & no item for silent auction due to prior commitments

All correspondence was accepted as information.

NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, May 8th, 2012 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting**

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER