

August 28, 2012

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2012, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Gorcak, Councillors Lafontaine and Allison, and C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone.
- 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 July 24, be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** 1) **Wild Pink Yonder** – update on event and t-shirt sales.
- BYLAWS:** none
- NEW BUSINESS:** 1) **New Hall Vacuum and Carpet Cleaner** - quotes for new carpet cleaners will be requested.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve the purchase of a new vacuum for the hall from Wesclean for approximately \$450 including replacement bags. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **2) FCSS Application – Volunteer Recognition Evening**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve as presented the FCSS Volunteer Recognition Application in the amount of \$569. CARRIED.**
- 3) New Self Watering Containers** – discussed purchasing new containers for in front of the arena, museum, office park and office. This will be brought forward at a council meeting in the fall. The Communities in Bloom group will be contacted regarding their future purchases as well.
- 4) Alberta Public Works Association – Partners in Excellence Conference** – this will be brought forward at the next meeting.

COUNCILLORS REPORT:

Mayor Gorcak – water meeting and ambulance meeting coming up.

Councillor Allison – no report

Councillor Lafontaine – received a garbage collection complaint from 313 Delhi Street. Homeowners/renters must ensure their garbage is bagged. Loose garbage is not the responsibility of the Village.

Another complaint was received from the homeowner of 304 Lucknow Street. The homeowner was advised at our May council meeting regarding the water line issues at his property. His waterline needs to be connected to the shut off valve that was previously installed by the Village. Currently, if the water was shut off, his property and 306 Lucknow Street would be without water. In August, the Executor of the Estate of 306 Lucknow Street contacted us and would like their services shut off. Due to insurance issues, the homeowner of 304 Lucknow Street was advised in person several times, and sent a letter dated August 21st. He was given until September 28th, to connect to his shut off valve at 304 Lucknow Street. The homeowner is being uncooperative.

DELEGATION: **6:20pm – Village of Veteran Cemetery Society** – Janice Lee Likness and Debbie Crawford joined the meeting. Items discussed included removal of the caragana hedge, (permission approved) and having Janice Lee Likness's contact information put on the Village's answering machine for monument companies to contact when the Village is closed (approved). The new cemetery bylaw was discussed. For lack of a better word "shrine" items on grave sites needs to be incorporated into the new bylaw. Delegation exited at 6:40pm.

C.A.O. REPORT An ad will be placed in the Veteran Eagle and on the website for a casual position for the CAO.

RESOLUTION: **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve for purchase a Christmas tree and decorations for the Village Office. CARRIED.**

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

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION: **Councillor Lafontaine moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$41,836.57 as presented. CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION: **Councillor Allison moved to accept the Financial Statement for the period ending July 31, 2012 as presented. CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items of correspondence were reviewed:

Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:

n/a

CORRESPONDENCE: Information Items:

ATCO Gas – implementing automated meter reading in Veteran
RCMP – Eastern Alberta District – Change of Command – R.M McGinnis, Chief
Superintendent
Small Circus – looking for place to set up small circus under a tent
2012 Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards – deadline September 25
Battle River Watershed Alliance – Annual Report & summer newsletter
Alberta Culture Days – September 28-30
MCPL A. Quaife – Volunteer hours at the Museum
Town of Coronation – invitation to grand opening, Sept 12 @ 12:00 – 6pm, Jan or Deb
will attend.
AMHSA – August newsletter
Government of Alberta – Taking Care of Your Drinking Water & Wastewater – A Guide
for Members of Council
Municipal Affairs – Regional Collaboration with the Town of Hanna approved for
\$250,000
Alberta Rural Development Network – Creating Rural Connections 2012 Conference &
Tradeshow, October 11-13 @ Olds College
Thank you to Homecoming Committee – Jacqueline (Mogck) Seward

All correspondence was accepted as information.

NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, September 11th, 2012 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting**
Mayor Gorcak is unable to attend this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER