

December 19, 2011

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2011, 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 Allison moved to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED.**
- MINUTES:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on November 29<sup>th</sup> be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** **1) Draft Municipal Tendering Policy – presented with revisions made.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve the Municipal Tendering Policy #15-12, effective January 1, 2012. CARRIED.**
- 2) Cemetery Bylaw Review – tabled.**
- DELEGATION** none
- BYLAWS:** **Unightly Premises Bylaw – tabled.**
- NEW BUSINESS:** **1) Arena Caretaker/Supervisor – 2 applications were received. The arena committee has included after school hours this year as well.**
- RESOLUTION** **Mayor Gorcak moved to offer Bertha Saunders the arena caretaker/supervisor position at \$10/hour. CARRIED.**
- 2) #2 Fairway Place**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve to list lots #2, 15, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26-28 in Fairway Place with Shelly Creasy effective January 1, 2012. CARRIED.**
- 3) Garbage Collection – there are a few residents who need to make their garbage containers animal proof. Letters will be sent out.**
- 4) Arena – a quote was received from Bill Hill Services for 60 feet of tempered glass in front of the outside seating. This invoice has been included in the Accounts Payable.**
- 5) Special Areas Joint Council Meeting – a joint meeting as been set up for January 24 at 3pm in Veteran. Agenda items include the SMWRSC debenture and administration costs, road sealant and a huge Thank You to the Special Areas for all they do for the Village.**
- 6) Palliser Regional Bylaw Services Feasibility Study – study was presented. They would like a response by January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Council agreed that the Village would not require 2.051 hours/per week and not for that cost/year. They would like to know what the cost would be on a user cost basis.**
- 7) FCSS Application – Youth Outreach Workshop - \$500**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to approve the FCSS Youth Outreach Workshop application for \$446.93. CARRIED.**
- 8) Interim Budget**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve the 2012 Interim Budget as presented. CARRIED.**
- COUNCILLORS REPORT:**
- Mayor Gorcak – attended a 911 meeting. The requisition will increase. An Ambulance meeting and SMWRC meeting was also attended. The water line to Big Valley will move forward.**
- Councillor Allison – attended BCWMC meeting where recycling was the main topic.**
- Councillor Lafontaine – will attend the Acadia Foundation meeting on December 20<sup>th</sup>.**
- C.A.O. REPORT** A report was presented to council.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to purchase one more cemetery sign from Tony Selzler. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to purchase a new computer for the office up to a maximum of \$2000. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to accept the CAO report as presented. CARRIED.**
- FINANCIAL**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$64,944.62 as presented. CARRIED. Councillor Allison did not vote due to a pecuniary interest.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to accept the financial statement for the period ending November 30, 2011. CARRIED.**

Volunteer fire fighters rates were discussed.

**RESOLUTION:** Councillor Lafontaine moved to increase the volunteer fire fighters hourly rate to \$25/hour, effective January 1, 2012. CARRIED. Councillor Allison did not vote due to a pecuniary interest.

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

**Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:**

Prairieland Board Highlights – November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Information Items:**

ATCO Electric – Annual Franchise Report for 2009 and 2010

East Central Ambulance – budget increase of requisition to \$2168.20

Muniware – Momentum upgrade for 2012 – fee \$750. Invoiced for 2011

AMHSA – December newsletter

FCSS – 2011 Storybook

GOA – Protecting against Financial Abuse, a guide for older Albertans, their families and friends

Alberta Human Services – employment standards regarding municipalities delivering fire fighting services

Foreman’s Timesheets – August to November

All correspondence was accepted as information.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, January 10, 2012 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 6:37pm.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER