

February 13, 2012

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2012, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:34 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.**
- DELEGATION** **5:34 – Rusty Hurl – Wild Pink Yonder Charitable Society** – gave a presentation on Wild Pink Yonder and the Pinkest Little Town in the West. Since they started the ride in 2009, they have raised over \$300,000 for breast cancer research. They will be riding through Veteran on August 20th. Their entourage involves about 12 volunteers and up to 30 riders/drivers. They require a place to keep the horses and a pitch their tents. It would also be great if dinner was provided when they arrive, entertainment in the evening, breakfast in the morning, bagged lunches for the road and hay and water for the horses. The Pinkest Little Town in the West is the one who has raises the most money per capita. Council thanked Rusty for coming and he exited at 6:05pm
- RESOLUTION** **Mayor Gorcak moved to participate in the 2012 Wild Pink Yonder, On the Trial for a Cure. CARRIED.**
- 6:05pm - Village Foreman** – discussed use of the old lawn mowers. It was decided to leave the John Deere mower at the cemetery for use by the cemetery committee. The old Kubota will be on listed on Kijiji. Discussed the purchase of a newer street sweeper. The old one is not working properly and as we now have most of the town paved, we need to maintain it. There is also the possibility of rental income of the newer unit with a neighboring municipality. A 1996 Ferrea fire truck has come on the market. It is a 4 door, 8.3 litre diesel engine, automatic, 80,000 miles with a 1050 side mounted pump. Members of the fire department will have a chance to look at it tomorrow before it goes for a pump test. Fire department charges were also discussed. Foreman exited at 6:45pm
- MINUTES:** **Councillor Allison moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on January 31st 2012, be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** 1) **Hall Chairs** – the Lions Club were going to get a price for more hall chairs. We would require about 60 more chairs to have all the same chairs in the hall. The cost of each chair is approximately \$67.50 including freight. Pat was going to get another quote.
- BYLAWS:** **Cemetery Bylaw Review #506-12** – more changes were made and will be brought forward to the next meeting.
- RESOLUTION** **Councillor Allison moved to approve for purchase the 1997 Elgin Eagle F Street Sweeper for no more than \$40,000, including repairs, provided the unit passes inspection. An application will be submitted under MSI Capital for this project. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve for purchase the 1996 Ferrea Fire Truck for no more than \$50,000, including accessories, provided the unit passes inspection and the pump test. An application will be submitted under MSI Capital for this project. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION** **Mayor Gorcak moved to submit fire fighting fees to the County of Paintearth for the Veteran Fire Rescue Unit attending the fire on February 7th, 2012, at the SW 31-35-9-W4. The unit will be billed out at \$250/hour. CARRIED.**
- NEW BUSINESS:** 1) **2012 FCSS Agreement** – an amendment was made changing the contract to \$2500 per year with the NHCAL Society able to submit additional FCSS applications for funding approval.
- RESOLUTION** **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve for signature the 2012 FCSS Coordinator Agreement with the NHCAL Society. CARRIED.**
- 2) **2012 Foreman’s Contract for 2012** - presented for signatures.
- RESOLUTION** **Councillor Allison moved to approve for signature the 2012 Foreman’s Contract. CARRIED.**
- 3) **New Hall Stove** – a quote was received for \$7,600. This purchase would qualify under MSI Operating. The stove has been fixed and is working properly.
- 4) **Hall Kitchen Tender** – permission is required to tender out the following project:
- New hall kitchen cabinets
 - New countertops
 - New backsplash
 - Tenders close March 8, 2012
 - Completion date is June 1, 2012
- RESOLUTION** **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve for tender the kitchen cabinets, countertops and backsplash for the hall. The tender process will be closed on March 8, 2012 and the project must be completed by June 1, 2012. CARRIED.**

5) 2012 Capital Projects – a list was presented for consideration. The lawn mower application has already been submitted as it had prior approval.

RESOLUTION

Councillor Lafontaine moved to submit the following application under MSI Operating:

- 1. Veteran Library application for \$1,000, and**
- 2. BCWMC application for \$19,265. CARRIED.**

More quotes will be gathered for the new arena lighting project.

6) Old Equipment – already discussed.

COUNCILLORS REPORT:

Mayor Gorcak – no meetings to report on.

Councillor Allison – no report.

Councillor Lafontaine – we are down to 2 residents at the Wild Rose Manor. A few calls were received regarding the new Unsightly Premises Bylaw. The next Acadia Foundation meeting is on February 23rd.

C.A.O. REPORT

A report was presented to council. The budget will be adjusted for the SMWRSC.

RESOLUTION:

Councillor Lafontaine moved to accept the CAO report as presented. CARRIED.

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION:

Councillor Allison moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$30,314.05 as presented. CARRIED

RESOLUTION:

Mayor Gorcak moved to accept the financial statement for the period ending December 31, 2011 as presented. CARRIED

A spreadsheet of investments was presented as information for the period ending December 31, 2011.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items of correspondence were reviewed:

Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:

SMRWSC Regional Operators Water Workshop – Wednesday, March 7th, 9-3 @ Stettler Rec. Centre, Darryl will attend.

Prairieland Board Highlights – January 25 meeting

Wainwright & District Partnership breakfast – Wednesday, Feb 29 @ 6:45 to 8:30am.

Guest speaker Donna Murray on “Better Hiring Practices”

Elected Officials Education Program – providing elected officials quality professional development opportunities focusing on roles, responsibilities, leadership and governance. Specially designed for policy makers, the program provides them a solid foundation to lead, allows them to be more relevant in their roles as elected officials, broadens their knowledge and skills raising the quality of government and effectively achieves the goals of their community. You can register on-line or go to www.eoep.ca for more info.

Canadian Badlands 2nd Annual Tourism Conference – March 28 in Drumheller

Information Items:

2012 Education Property Tax - \$28,503.32, increase from \$27,130.29

MA – Status reports on MSI Capital and Operating

Access West – Winter 2012 newsletter

Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village – summer programs for seniors –

www.ukrainianvillage.ca

AMHSA – February 2012

McMan Youth, Family and Community Services Association pamphlet

Small Communities Newsletter

Website Stats – Jan 10 to Feb 9, 158 visits

All correspondence was accepted as information.

NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, February 28th, 2012 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting**

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

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MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER