

June 25, 2012

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2012, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.**

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:37 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 June 12, be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** 1) **Website** – information was gathered on our current provider and the pros and cons were weighed regarding switching providers. Council decided to stay with the current provider, but wanted to thank Mr. Sutherland for his offer.
- DELEGATION:** none
- BYLAWS:** none
- NEW BUSINESS:** 1) **FCSS Applications**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve the Veteran School's FCSS applications as follows:**
1. **Community Sign - \$3,000,**
  2. **Mentorship Project – Reading Buddies - \$200,**
  3. **Mentorship Project – Little Chefs - \$1,100. CARRIED.**
- 2) **Garbage Policy/Bylaw Review** – the existing garbage policy was reviewed and will remain as is. The garbage bylaw was also reviewed and is no longer valid as the schedule of rates are included in Policy #03-09.
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to cancel Bylaw #475-03. CARRIED.**
- 3) **Performance Appraisals** - were handed out and will be completed prior to the next council meeting.
- 4) **Wild Pink Yonder** – form to be filled out regarding details of the August 20<sup>th</sup> event. The fire hydrants will be painted pink along with crosswalks. Pink ribbon fabric will also be purchased.
- 5) **Summer Office Hours** – the CAO will be on holidays from July 9 to July 20 inclusive, and August 13 to 17 inclusive. Office hours will be as follows:
- Open - July 10, 11, 18 and 19
  - Closed – July 12 and 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - Open – July 23-26
  - July Council meeting - July 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - Open – August 14
  - Closed – August 15 and 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - Open – August 20 – 23
  - August Council meeting – August 28<sup>th</sup>.
- COUNCILLORS REPORT:**
- Mayor Gorcak** – discussed the alleys. Ron Likness has a piece of equipment that would work up the alley to bring the gravel to the surface. The rate would be \$125/hr. The Village Foreman has identified 3 problem alleys that we could “test” the machine on. Tabled.
- When the hall is booked for events such as trade shows for example, the old tables need to be used. This item will be added to the hall rental contract.
- The East Central Ambulance Association is buying 2 new ambulances. They will also have a manned ambulance at the homecoming.
- Councillor Allison** – attended an Acadia Foundation meeting, Neutral Hills Community Adult Learning (NHCAL) and Palliser meeting last week.
- Councillor Lafontaine** – discussed homecoming items.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to hire Ron Likness to work up three (3) alleys at \$125/hour. CARRIED.**
- C.A.O. REPORT** A report was presented to council.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to accept the CAO report as presented. CARRIED.**
- FINANCIAL**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$38,553.12 as presented. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to accept the financial statement for the period ending May 31, 2012, as presented. CARRIED.**

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

**Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:**

PrairieLand – board highlights of May 30<sup>th</sup> meeting

**Information Items:**

Palliser – motion required for Regional Collaboration Program, web-based mapping system

**RESOLUTION:** Mayor Gorcak moved the following:

**1. “Be it resolved that Council authorizes the Village of Veteran to participate in an application for the “PRISM Development Strategy Implementation” submitted by the Town of Hanna with Palliser Regional Municipal Services as Primary Contractor under the Regional Collaboration component of the Alberta Municipal Affairs Regional Collaboration Program; further**

**2. That the Village of Veteran, if the applicant agrees to enter into, or as a participant, agrees to abide by the terms of a Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.”**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Municipal Affairs – MSI Operating plan has been accepted.

AUMA Convention, no one will attend.

Special Areas – will put float in parade

Alberta Hotel & Lodging Ass. – inspected our campsite on June 12<sup>th</sup>. “Everything looks great”

Municipal Affairs – changes to Local Authorities Election Act, feedback due July 31, 2012

Thrive on Wellness – expression of interest due June 29<sup>th</sup>

AAMDC – begun process of forming new energy program

Alberta Human Services – development of social policy framework

Kindermorgan Canada – requesting public awareness talk – first responder etc. The CAO will contact for a meeting in September.

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks & Wildlife Foundation – invitation to bid for 2015

Alberta 55 Plus Summer Games

All correspondence was accepted as information.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER