

**VILLAGE OF VETERAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 25, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Veteran was held Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the Village Office.

ORDER: Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.
PRESENT: Mayor Gorcak, Councillors Zacharias and Wipf, and C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone.
DELEGATION 5:30 – ATCO Electric – Bryon Schwartz from Stettler and Ben Christians from Consort joined the meeting to discuss the Franchise Renewal Agreement. This agreement will be brought forward to the next meeting. Delegation exited at 6.07pm.

At 6:07pm, Kendra Walgenbach from Chapman and Company joined the meeting to go over our 2013 Audited Financial Statements. Delegation exited at 6:37pm.

AGENDA:

2014-60 Councillor Zacharias moved to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES:

2014-61 Councillor Wipf moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on March 11, 2014 be approved as presented/amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2014-62 Mayor Gorcak moved that the minutes of the special meeting of council held on March 13, 2014 be approved as presented/amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

OLD BUSINESS: 1) **106 Waterloo Street** – Superior Safety Codes granted an extension to May 1st, to demolish and clean up thee property, per our request.

BYLAWS: none

NEW BUSINESS: 1) **Tourism Visioning Project Information** – Regional Collaboration component of the Regional Collaboration Program.

2014-63 Moved by Councillor Zacharias to approve the Village of Veteran participate in an application for the Collaborative Tourism Visioning and Action Plan Project: Towns of Castor and Coronation; Villages of Consort, Halkirk and Veteran; County of Paintearth; and Special Areas #4, submitted by the Town of Castor under the Regional Collaboration component of the Regional Collaboration Program, and further that the Village of Veteran, a participant, agrees to abide by the terms of the conditional Grant Agreement, governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2) **2014 Capital Items** – possible projects were discussed. A decision will have to be made no later than the last meeting in April so grant applications can be submitted.

3) **Alarm Monitoring** – accepted as information.

COUNCILLORS REPORT:

Mayor Gorcak – the Lions Club will invoice ½ of the cost of the projector and screen to the Village. A meeting was attended in Hanna and an Ambulance meeting was also attended. April 4th is the next 911 meeting, April 9th is the next water meeting and April 24 is the next Ambulance meeting.

2014-64 **Councillor Wipf moved to set up an allowance for the fire call of the Veteran Hotel for \$6,300 and the taxes for the estates of Harold Saunders for \$2,701, per the Auditors request.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2014-65 **Councillor Zacharias moved to transfer the deferred revenue special grant of \$22,130 to general revenues.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2014-66 **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve the 2013 Audited Financial Statements, as presented.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mel Heistad will be contacted regarding fixing one of the dressing room arena doors and the door jam for the furnace room.

Councillor Zacharias – attended the CIB meeting, Acadia Foundation meeting and the R2R Next Leaders meeting in Acadia Valley. At the CIB meeting, it was suggested the campground kitchen should be painted this year.

Councillor Zacharias will be unable to attend the April 8th council meeting or the Acadia Foundation meeting on April 17th. Councillor Wipf will try and attend the meeting in her place or Mayor Gorcak.

Councillor Wipf – no report

C.A.O. REPORT

2014-67 **Councillor Wipf moved to accept the CAO report as presented.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

FINANCIAL

2014-68 **Councillor Zacharias moved to approve the cheque listing in the amount of \$23,621.41 as presented.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items of correspondence were reviewed:

Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:

MA – LGAA Regional Training Sessions – Hardisty – June 26th – the CAO would like to attend depending on the topic. Bring forward.

PrairieLand Board Highlights – March 19th.

Information Items:

Canada Post – potential closure of Post Office on Saturdays

Muniware – quote for emailing of utility bills - \$2,000

Coronation/Consort Victim Services – requesting donation and representative to sit on Board.

2014-69 **Mayor Gorcak moved to support the Coronation/Consort Victim Services with a \$500 donation.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CORRESPONDENCE: Closer to Home (C2H) Initiative & Getting on Track with Local Water and Wastewater Utilities (DVD)
TransCanada – Energy East Pipeline – Community Link & open house – Hardisty – March 27th from 4-8pm.
Koenders – Portable Toilet Booking
Alberta Parks & Recreation – no renewal fees for 2 types of attraction signs

2014-70 **Councillor Zacharias moved to accept the correspondence as information.**
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

IN-CAMERA:

2014-71 **Mayor Gorcak moved to go in camera at 7:41pm.**
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2014-72 **Councillor Wipf moved that the regular meeting be resumed at 7:45pm.**
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2014-73 **Mayor Gorcak moved to sign our portion of the Land Transfer Agreement with 1099317 Alberta Ltd. pending the conditions and their signature.**
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT:

2014-74 **Mayor Gorcak moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm.**
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, April 8th, 2014 @ 5:30pm, Regular Council Meeting**

Patrick Gorcak
Mayor

Debbie Johnstone
Chief Administrative Officer