

March 15, 2011

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.**

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Gorcak, Councillors' Lafontaine & Allison and C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone.
- DELEGATION:** none
- 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 February 22, 2011 be approved as presented/amended. **CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** 1) **Arena Liability** – information was received from the insurance company. They also advised that they have a declared value endorsement that can be added to our main policy for the arena. A facility user's policy was also discussed and accepted as information.
- RESOLUTION:** Mayor Gorcak moved effective **June 24, 2011, to flat cancel our current arena policy with Foster Park Baskett and add the arena to our AMSC property policy for the declared value of \$750,000. CARRIED.**
- BYLAWS:** none
- NEW BUSINESS:** 1) **Public Auction Date** – should be set if required.
- RESOLUTION:** Councillor Allison moved to set the date for the **Tax Recovery Auction for Wednesday, August 3, 2011 at 10:00am. CARRIED.**
- 2) **Arena Supervisor Resignation** – was accepted. A thank you note will be send to Dorothy May.
- 3) **Water Diversion License Amendment** – more information needs to be gathered for the next meeting.
- 4) **Camping Bad Debt**
- RESOLUTION:** Mayor Gorcak moved to write off **Duane Campbell's camping fees in the amount of \$45. CARRIED.**
- 5) **FCC AgriSpirit Grant** – will be tabled until the end of April as applications cannot be submitted until May 1<sup>st</sup>. Possible projects could be a fire truck grant.
- 6) **Coronation/Consort Victim Services** – was accepted as information.
- 7) **East Central Bulls Ball Association**
- RESOLUTION:** Mayor Gorcak moved to accept the agreement allowing the **East Central Bulls Ball Association use of the "men's ball diamond" free of charge, on a yearly basis. In lieu of diamond rental, they will be responsible for the ball diamond maintenance on a yearly basis. CARRIED.**
- 8) **Pilot Recycling Project** – Ron Lowther from Hanna contacted the Village regarding placing a large 20 x 6 x 8 recycling bin at the Village Shop on a trail basis. The large container has 5 separate compartments for different recycling items.
- RESOLUTION:** Councillor Allison moved to accept the **pilot recycling project in Veteran. The compartments should consist of two cardboard, tin, paper and HDPE 2 plastic. CARRIED.**
- The HDPE 2 plastic has the recycle symbol on the bottom of the plastic container with a 2 in the middle of it and the HDPE written below it. This is the only type of plastic that will be accepted. We would like to encourage people to use the bins properly and only put in the items that are being accepted and in the proper bins. A notice will be put in the Veteran Eagle, in the utility billings as well as on the website. The bin should be here in April.
- Councillor Allison also agreed to sit on the Big Country Recycling Society as a representative for Veteran.
- 9) **Cures for Kids Radiothon** – on April 28 and 29 the 9<sup>th</sup> annual event will be in Red Deer at the Parkland Mall in partnership wit Z-99 and KG Country. Half the proceeds will go to help fund the dining room at the Ronald McDonald House in Red Deer. Mayor Gorcak volunteered to do an interview on April 28 and answer the phones for a few hours.
- COUNCILLORS REPORT:**
- RESOLUTION:** Mayor Gorcak moved to go in camera at 6:16pm. **CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** Councillor Lafontaine moved that the regular meeting be resumed at 6:18pm. **CARRIED.**
- Mayor Gorcak – snow is being removed from areas that historically cause drainage problems.
- An ambulance was attended and the next water meeting will be on March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Castor County Office. CAO's are also requested to attend.

**Councillor Allison** – no report

**Councillor Lafontaine** – the curling club inquired about funds for 2011. Council agreed that the curling club should submit a financial statement. Councillor Allison will attend the Acadia Foundation meeting in Hanna on March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11:00am.

Other items brought up were the unapproved use of the hall tables and chairs and the sanding of the streets.

The next homecoming meeting has been set for Wednesday, March 23 at 7:30pm in the hall meeting room.

**RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to donate the use of the hall meeting room for the homecoming committee meetings. CARRIED.**

**C.A.O. REPORT** A report was presented to council.

**RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to accept the CAO report as presented. CARRIED.**

**FINANCIAL**

**RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$30,475.01 as presented. CARRIED.**

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

**Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:**

East Central 911 Special Meeting – budget – Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm in Wainwright - RSVP required – Pat will attend.

AMHSA – AGM – April 6<sup>th</sup> in Leduc

Invitation to Lieutenant Governor of Ab. Distinguished Artist Awards – April 9<sup>th</sup> in St. Albert

Prairieland Board Highlights – March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting – Provincial cutbacks totally \$840,000

Prairieland News Release – significant reductions in staffing and program delivery will be required because of the recent provincial budget cuts.

**Information Items:**

MA – MSI allocation received – Capital \$139,035 & Operating \$66,897

MA – MSI Capital – minimum threshold reduced to 5% from 10%

MA – MSI Capital – approved for Acadia Foundation & Fire Hall Expansion Projects

AT – Basic Municipal Transportation Grant (MMTG) – SIP - \$17,766 for 2011, & FGT for \$50,000

AT – SIP grant no longer has 25% cost share requirement

AUMA – Provincial – Municipal Relationships

AT - Access Management in Alberta highways Brochure

AMHSA – March newsletter

Keystone Connection Canada newsletter

BRWSA newsletter

SA#4 – Economic Development Training Program

Seniors Week – June 6 to June 12, 2011

AFFRRCS – launching Alberta First Responders Radio Communication System

Wainwright Assessment – Assessment Growth spreadsheet

Village Foreman’s February Timesheet

All correspondence was accepted as information.

**NEXT MEETING:** **Tuesday, March 29th, 2011 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER