

May 24, 2011

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2011, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Gorcak, Councillors Lafontaine and Allison and C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone.
- DELEGATION** **Auditors** – Kendra Miller from Chapman and Company joined the meeting to review the 2010 audited financial statements. Kendra exited.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve 2010 Audited Financial Statements. CARRIED.**
CAO exited and entered.
- 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 May 10, 2011 be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** **1) Cemetery** – more information is required regarding crosses for the unmarked grave sites at the cemetery. Debbie will send them the additional information to receive a quote.
- BYLAWS:** **none**
- NEW BUSINESS:** **1) Hall Rental Policy** – was updated regarding the use of excess hall chairs.
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve the addition of the clause to the hall policy that excess hall chairs may be loaned out at the discretion of council. CARRIED.**
- 2) Future Recreation Projects** – SAB inquiring about possible partnering opportunities for future recreation projects in the Village. Items to consider included:
- New hall stove
 - Custom made moveable bleachers for ball diamonds & soccer fields
 - Picnic tables
 - Painting inside of arena
 - Curling Club
- 3) Dental Plan** – employees currently do not have orthodontic coverage.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved to approve the increase in dental coverage to include orthodontic coverage to a maximum of \$1,500 lifetime, effective May 1st, 2011. CARRIED.**
- 4) LTR Communication Corp.** - a letter of intent to purchase the properties at 306 Alberta Ave. was accepted as information.
- 5) 2011 Budget & Capital Plan** – final budget numbers were presented to council as well as the 2011 Capital Budget.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to approve the 2011 Budget as presented. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve the 2011 Capital Budget as presented. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to give Bylaw No. 503-11 three readings with the taxation split for non-residential and residential to be .345/.655 respectively.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved for the First Reading of Bylaw No. 503-11. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved for the Second Reading of Bylaw No. 503-11. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved that Bylaw No. 503-11 be presented at this meeting for the third and final reading. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved that Bylaw No. 503-11 be read a third time and finally passed. CARRIED.**
- COUNCILLORS REPORT:**
- Mayor Gorcak** – discussed flower baskets/pots for new store owners.
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to purchase flower baskets/potted plants for new store owner's of Veteran Foods/Crystal Rose Diner, the Flower Patch and The Grill. CARRIED.**
A water meeting was attended and an Ambulance meeting will be on May 26th.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to go in camera at 7:30pm. CARRIED**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Lafontaine moved that the regular meeting be resumed at 7:31pm.**
Councillor Allison – attended the regional Economic Development meeting in Consort. Jan thought it was a very good meeting and would like to encourage the rest of council to attend next year. The ATCO Symposium was apparently a good meeting to attend and Jan would like to attend next year.

Councillor Lafontaine – met with Marguerite Wilson from the Acadia Foundation at the Wild Rose Manor. Upcoming changes include ramps, rugs redone and painted when tenant leaves, a fence removed and another painted and a few trees were removed. A complaint was received regarding the policy council is investigating concerning derelict vehicles.

The Consort Lodge is 85% complete with September 30 as being the completion date. The next Acadia Foundation meeting will be on June 21st in Hanna.

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

RESOLUTION: **Councillor Allison moved to accept the CAO report as presented. CARRIED.**

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION: **Councillor Lafontaine moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$35,296.97 as presented. CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION: **Councillor Allison moved to accept the financial statement for the period ending April 30, 2011. CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION: **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve a payment of \$100 to the Veteran School Trust for town clean-up. CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items of correspondence were reviewed:

Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:

Prairieland Board Highlights – May 11th minutes

NHCALS – COW (Classroom on Wheels) bus coming to Consort on May 26th @ the library from 12:30 to 1pm. They would like council to attend to give speech on how literacy is supported by our community. Janice will attend.

Consort & District Medical Centre – Rural Skills Day- potluck supper May 28 @ 7pm @ the Sportex - requesting council's attendance. Pat will try to attend.

Trail of the Buffalo – April 20 minutes & monthly bank statement.

Mayors Caucuses & CAO Session – June 15-17 in Calgary

Town of Stettler – Grand Opening Stettler Regional Water Treatment Plant – June 9 from 10 to 1pm, RSVP. Pat will attend.

SA – Nurse Practitioner Information session – May 31 @ 7pm @ Consort Hospital
24-7 Alberta Web Platform - Open House in Three Hills on June 8th from 10-3pm

Information Items:

Acadia Foundation – 2011 mill rate & promissory note

Karlin Stickel's May timesheet

Town of Nanton - Help Slave Lake – looking for donations – donations, fundraiser etc.

AUMA – proposed Streetlight Grouping Standards

MYRON – tool pen - \$2.99 for a minimum order of \$50

All correspondence was accepted as information.

NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, June 14, 2011 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting**

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER