

September 25, 2012

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VETERAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012, IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE.

- ORDER:** Mayor Gorcak called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Gorcak, Councillors Allison and Zacharias, and C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone.
- AGENDA:** **Councillor Allison moved to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- MINUTES:** **Councillor Zacharias moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on August 28, 2012 be approved as presented/amended. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- OLD BUSINESS:** none
- DELEGATION:** none
- BYLAWS:** none
- NEW BUSINESS:** **1) Fall Tree Pruning** – was discussed. There are elm trees at the campground that need to be removed after October 31st.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Zacharias moved to have the campground elm trees removed and a few marked trees around town to be pruned. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- RESOLUTION:** **2) New Campground Sign** – the old sign has deteriorated and is not legible any more.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to order a new campground sign from Tony Selzler. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- RESOLUTION:** **3) Bad Debt** – the renter of 205 Delhi Street was in before the water security deposit was increased.
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to write off the outstanding water bill in the amount of \$97.65 for the renter of 205 Delhi Street Street, Arnie Hofer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- RESOLUTION:** **4) ATCO Electric** – opportunity to increase the franchise fee from 3% to a maximum of 5%.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved to leave the ATCO Electric franchise fee as is, at 3%. CARRIED.**
- RESOLUTION:** **5) Letter of Complaints** – received regarding the caragana hedge removal at the cemetery. Council discussed and at the request of the cemetery society, the hedge will still be removed.
- The other letter of complaint was regarding the unsightly property located at #3 Fairway Place. The property has been overrun with mice and there is debris behind the garage and an old vehicle on the property.
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved that a letter be written to the owner of #3 Fairway Place, Pauline Lakness, insisting the property be cleaned up. If the owner does not oblige, the Village will clean up the property and apply the charges to the tax roll. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- RESOLUTION:** **6) 2013 Interim Budget Items** – budget items were discussed.
- A community bulletin board was brought up for downtown. FCSS funds could be used for this project.
- The garbage truck compactor will need to be replaced soon. Darryl will look into pricing out a new one.
- COUNCILLORS REPORT:**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak** – a letter needs to be written to the renters of 210 Delhi Street regarding their garbage in the back yard.
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved that a letter be written to the renter of 210 Delhi Street, Bertha Saunders, to clean up the partially bagged garbage in their back yard. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- An Ambulance meeting was attended. The next water meeting is next week.
- Councillor Allison** – no report
- Councillor Zacharias** – no report
- The CAO's performance appraisal was reviewed.
- C.A.O. REPORT**
- RESOLUTION:** **Councillor Allison moved that the Village Foreman pay any amount over \$95 on the Village cell phone. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- RESOLUTION:** **Mayor Gorcak moved to approve the Communities in Bloom 2013 plan of purchasing a black wrought iron fence, tulip concrete planters and a sign for the Village Park. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION: Mayor Gorcak moved to accept the cheque listing in the amount of \$14,392.83 as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

RESOLUTION: Councillor Zacharias moved to accept the financial statement for the period ending August 31, 2012, as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items of correspondence were reviewed:

Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:

Trail of the Buffalo AGM – November 6th in Consort @ 6pm - \$30 for supper.

Councillor Allison will attend.

PrairieLand Board Highlights – September 12 meeting

AMHSA – Conference – Dec 3 to Dec 6 in Red Deer

11th Annual Alberta Health & Safety Conference and Trade Fair - Nov 19-21 in Edmonton

Information Items:

Veteran Municipal Library Financial Statement for 2011

AMHSA – September Brochure

Red Deer River Watershed Alliance - Outreach Brochure

Alberta Transportation – Federal Gas Tax – requesting communities acknowledge FGT funding provided, through the use of Canada signs and hosting events.

All correspondence was accepted as information.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, October 9th, 2012 @ 5:30pm – Regular Council Meeting

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gorcak declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER