

COUNTY COUNCIL

April 20, 2010

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on April 20, 2010. In attendance were Reeve R. Jones, R. Ford, W. Cunningham, R. Taylor, G. Krokosh, J. Meeks Sr, K. Palmer and Administrator A. Romeril.

Reeve R. Jones called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES  
(10-04-24)

R. Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 6, 2010. Carried.

ADDITIONS  
TO AGENDA  
(10-04-25)

R. Taylor moved to add the following items to the agenda:  
News Release - Environmental Approval for Shoreline Changes  
Sustainable Resource Development - Tax Recovery Land Transfers  
County Memorial Scholarships  
Stirling Recreation District letter from Village of Stirling  
Road Closures Request - Miami Colony  
Carried.

RCMP

Acting Sergeant Kevin Kaspersky from the Raymond Detachment entered the meeting at 9:05 a.m. He is interested in obtaining feedback from the County Council on education, enforcement or other areas that the County feels need to be monitored or enforced within the County. After a question and answer session, Sergeant K. Kaspersky left the meeting at 9:23 a.m. The County will discuss areas of concern that can be included in the RCMP Annual Performance Plan within the County boundaries.

SNOW GRAVEL  
STORAGE AREA

(10-04-26)

Public Works has several options available for the storage of crushed gravel from the Snow Gravel Pit. Superintendent R. Coppieters will be evaluating each area and will come forward with a proposal for Council's consideration at the next meeting.  
R. Taylor moved to receive Administration's report on the progress being made for a storage area for gravel from the Snow Gravel Pit. Carried.

COUTTS BYPASS  
ROAD

Administration reported that Genivar is studying whether a 10 meter developed top can be placed on a 66 foot road allowance. A report should be made available shortly.

OVERHEAD  
CRANE

Public Works has not received a quote from the supplier for a 15 ton overhead crane but it should be received later this week.

GRADER MOUNT  
MULCHER

The demo mulcher will be arriving at the County today but will have to be mounted on County equipment. It should be ready for a demo in a few days depending on the weather.

GOLDSRING  
AREA ROAD  
(10-04-27)

W. Cunningham moved that Public Works investigate the possible upgrade of one mile of road located to the south of Section 4-2-15-4 and come forward with a recommendation for Council at the next meeting. Carried.

AAMDC  
EXECUTIVE

A delegation from the AAMDC entered the meeting at 9:34 and consisted of President Don Johnson and Executive Director Gerald Rhodes. The topics discussed included gas coop franchise agreements, future provincial grant expectations, all terrain vehicle use and regulations, location of future convention sites, and tax recovery lands transfers that have been placed on hold. After other questions and answers, the delegation left the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

RECESS

Reeve R. Jones called for a recess at 10:35 a.m.

Deputy Reeve R. Ford assumed the chair and called the meeting back to order at 10:45 a.m.

Reeve R. Jones was not present due to AAMDC commitments.

CHIN PARK

Quotes are to be received in the near future to relocate the power and telephone lines for the possible new site for the hostess trailer.

FIRE HAZARD  
SIGNS

The fire hazard signs will be closed up due to the recent moisture received.

WATER SOURCE  
FOR FIRES

Positive replies are coming back in from the Hutterite Colonies about utilizing sources of water at their settlements. The Raymond Irrigation District and the Town of Raymond have not responded to date.

FIRE CHIEF'S  
MEETING  
(10-04-28)

G. Krokosh moved to cancel the April 26, 2010 Fire Chief's meeting due to no items being received for the agenda.

Carried.

CPO SHARED  
SERVICE  
AGREEMENT  
(10-04-29)

R. Taylor moved to approve in principle the Community Peace Office shared services agreement with the Village of Coutts for the control of the Coutts Bypass Road.

Carried.

STAFFORD PARK  
INVENTORY  
(10-04-30)

R. Taylor moved to offer Wade's House Moving a total of \$25,000 for the entire Stafford Park inventory outlined in the correspondence, and further the price includes the moving of all the inventory to a designated area of the County's choosing.

Carried.

WARNER WASTE  
TRANSFER  
(10-04-30)

R. Taylor moved to increase the County's contribution to \$4,500 for 2010 to the Village of Warner for the County's share of the costs to operate the Warner Waste Transfer Station, which is an increase of \$1,500 over 2009, and further, this amount was determined based on the estimated number of transfer station users within the area.

Defeated.

(10-04-31)

K. Palmer moved that Administration investigate other cost sharing arrangements/options for the operation of all waste transfer stations shared with the towns and villages and present at the next Council meeting.

Carried.

BANK RECON-  
CILIATION

Accountant R. Shaw entered the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

(10-04-32)

R. Taylor moved to approve the bank reconciliation statement as at March 31, 2010 and it is attached.

Carried.

BILLS FOR  
PAYMENT  
(10-04-33)

K. Palmer moved to receive the Schedule of Disbursements as at April 20, 2010 in the amount of \$565,631.14 and it is attached.

Carried.

R. Shaw left the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

RCMP  
PERFORMANCE  
PLAN  
(10-04-34)

R. Taylor moved to forward the following areas for the RCMP to place emphasis on within the County of Warner:  
Enforce speed limits on the Stirling Bypass Road,  
Monitor off road vehicle use within the Hamlet of New Dayton,  
Monitor traffic and off road vehicle use traveling to and from the Temple Hill Motorcycle Track, and  
Enforce Stop Sign Infractions through out the County.

Carried.

LUNCH

Deputy Reeve R. Ford called a recess for lunch at 12:03 p.m.

Deputy Reeve R. Ford called the meeting back to order at 12:50 p.m.

LHS BOOK ON  
MILK RIVER  
(10-04-35)

R. Taylor moved that Administration contact the County of Forty Mile and Cardston County to determine whether they are going to support the Lethbridge Historical Society's request and contribute \$600 to them for the publishing of a book on the Milk River.

Carried.

WOS - WORLD  
HERITAGE SITE  
(10-04-36)

R. Taylor moved that W. Cunningham attend the public information session on April 21, 2010 in Milk River on the nomination of Writing on Stone becoming a World Heritage Site.

Carried.

RIDGE PARK RE-  
DEVELOPMENT  
(10-04-37)

G. Krokosh moved to receive Administration's report that the Province is still progressing with Ridge Park Redevelopment and is planning for the work to be started in 2010 if it receives provincial funding.

Carried.

MINISTER'S MTG.  
AND TOUR  
(10-04-38)

W. Cunningham moved that all Councillors attend the meetings with Treasury Minister Snelgrove and Municipal Affairs Minister Goudreau on April 26, 2010 and further R. Jones, R. Taylor, G. Krokosh and K. Palmer attend the Minister's supper in Taber that same evening.

Carried.

MILK RIVER  
TRANSFER  
STATION  
(10-04-39)

W. Cunningham moved to forward a letter of concern to the Town of Milk River over the litter concerns expressed by the lessee of the adjacent land to the Milk River/Coutts/County Waste Transfer Station.

Carried.

MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP  
INTERVIEWS  
(10-04-40)

G. Krokosh moved to hold the County Memorial Scholarship interviews on April 30, 2010 and further, the interview committee consist of W. Cunningham, R. Taylor, K. Palmer and A. Romeril.

Carried.

STIRLING  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER FUNDS  
(10-04-41)

J. Meeks Sr moved that the County contribute \$20,000 towards the cost of construction for the Stirling Community Center, on a one time basis only for 2010, and further, the funds will be raised through an increase in the Stirling Recreation District rural mill rate.

Carried.

MIAMI COLONY  
ROAD CLOSURE  
(10-04-42)

W. Cunningham moved to look favorably upon the closure, sale, and consolidation of forced road allowances located in the E ½ 36-4-19-4 that are no longer required on condition Miami Colony be responsible for all costs, such as survey, legal and registration, etc., and further, the value of the land be placed at \$500 per acre for the pasture land and \$1,000 for the cultivated lands.

Carried.

2010 CAPITAL  
& OPERATING  
BUDGET  
(10-04-43)

R. Taylor moved to approve in principle the 2010 Capital and Operating Budget as amended, and further, prepare the 2010 Millrate Bylaw for Council's consideration for the May 4, 2010 Council meeting.

Carried.

POLICY REVIEW  
(10-04-44)

R. Taylor moved to table the review of Salary Negotiating Committee Policy 119.01 to a Policy Review Committee meeting and the date will be determined at the next Council meeting.

Carried.

COMMITTEE  
REPORTS

W. Cunningham - The fish in the Milk River, which are included in the species at risk, are still being studied. There appears to be no population problems with them and they are located in large numbers both upstream and down stream. The Safety Committee is finding there is continual buy in to the safety program. Concerns over providing pain medication in first aid boxes was discussed.

K. Palmer - The Raymond Fire Department and the Raymond Handibus Society are operating fine. There are concerns over Alta Link blocking roads while fixing power lines.

R. Taylor - Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority is concerned about the amount of litter that blows away at the landfill due to the strong winds being received lately. They are looking at ways to mitigate the problem. The province may be more supportive of the concept "waste to energy" by promoting it. There may be more news in the future.

J. Meeks Sr - A Farm Safety meeting was attended. Funding from various support organizations are coming in.

G. Krokosh - The Sunshine Seed Cleaning Plant is not supportive of one seed cleaning plant being centralized in the County. Most of their clients come from the north and may not wish to travel further to the south. A Further Education meeting was attended and is operating fine. The Wrentham Fire Department water tank only was burned up in a fire in Taber while there for repairs. Insurance is covering the replacement cost.

R. Ford - A Milk River Doctor Recruitment meeting was attended where they are working on establishing incentives to attract doctors. It appears that several hurdles exist for foreign doctors who wish to obtain their medical license needed to operate in Alberta.

(10-04-45)

R. Taylor moved to receive the Committee Reports as presented.

Carried.

ADJOURN  
(10-04-46)

G. Krokosh moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:26 p.m.

Carried.

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Administrator