

COUNTY COUNCIL

December 8, 2011

A County Council meeting was held in the County Office on December 8, 2011. In attendance were Reeve R. Ford, G. Krokosh, R. Taylor, J. Meeks Sr., P. Jensen, R. Jones, W. Cunningham, Administrator S. Hathaway, Superintendent Larry Liebelt and CPO Scott Simpson.

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

MINUTES
(11-12-01)

R. Jones moved to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held November 15, 2011 as presented. Carried.

ADDITIONS TO
AGENDA
(11-12-02)

G. Krokosh moved to add the following items to the agenda:
Road Extension
Christmas Gift Cards
Brownlee Emerging Trends Workshop
Carried.

ADMINISTRATION
REPORT
(11-12-03)

R. Taylor moved to accept the administration report as information. Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT
(11-12-04)

P. Jensen moved to accept the public works report as information. Carried.

CPO REPORT
(11-12-05)

W. Cunningham moved to accept the CPO report as information. Carried.

DIVISIONAL
REPORTS

W. Cunningham – Reported of a doctor tour completed at the Milk River hospital. The doctor who toured currently works on the Suffield base by Medicine Hat and was impressed with the area. The All Council meeting in Milk River was also attended.

P. Jensen – Reported that Ridge County Housing is in negotiations with the union, a discussion was also had regarding the proposed expansion of the lodge in Milk River and the building of a new facility for Raymond and how it could have a financial impact on the County. P. Jensen also attended a Safety Centre meeting where a new executive has been voted in, and they are fielding interest from Ag For Life which could bring in another funding stream for the centre. The ORRSC meeting was also attended and they are looking at increasing some fees so that operations can continue to break even.

R. Taylor – Reported that the New Dayton Recreation Association is wishing to keep the requisition amounts where they are as to allow for the replacement of aging infrastructure and reported that the association is in good financial shape.

G. Krokosh – Reported that Chinook Arch Regional Library has enough support from membership to go ahead with its proposed budget. G. Krokosh also attended a meeting with the Wrentham fire department where they brought up issues relating to the fire on the ridge, maintenance at their hall and the need for a new pumper. An open house was hosted by AltaLink in Stirling where they presented the preferred route of their proposed transmission line.

R. Ford – Reported that he attended the ORRSC annexation workshop and that a mediation grant is available from municipal affairs to assist in mediation issues. R. Ford and J. Hillyer toured Devils Coulee and the rest of the areas burned by the fire. At the Mayors and Reeves meeting a discussion was had regarding the deferral of seniors property taxes like is done in B.C. A managers meeting was held where a round table discussion was had regarding our safety program, County policies, the proposed Ag Service building and an overall update on the County. The All Council meeting was also attended where discussions on ambulance service, collaboration opportunities, water operators, ways to increase population, and travel allowances provided to customs workers. Had a discussion with Minister Hayden regarding the UNESCO application for Writing on Stone and it sounds like it is on hold.

(11-12-06)

G. Krokosh moved to accept the divisional reports as presented. Carried.

Reeve R. Ford called a recess at 10:37 a.m.

Reeve R. Ford called the meeting back to order at 10:52 a.m.

Steve Harty arrived at the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

RAYMOND IDP
(11-12-07)

R. Jones moved that the expiry date of the County of Warner No. 5 and Town of Raymond Intermunicipal Development Plan Bylaws 835-04 and 912-04 (IMDP) be extended from January 4, 2012 to January 4, 2013 in accordance with section 5.2 of the IMDP.

Carried.

STIRLING IDP
(11-12-08)

J. Meeks Sr. moved to amend the expiry date of the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling Intermunicipal Development Plan Bylaws 836-04 and 396-04 (IMDP), to state that the bylaw shall remain in effect until either council rescinds the plan by bylaw after giving six months' notice, or by mutual consent of both municipalities.

Carried.

Steve Harty left the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

COUNTY OF
WARNER GRAVEL

A discussion was had regarding future gravel requirements for the County of Warner and ways to better handle the process of ensuring that the County has an adequate supply of good quality gravel at reasonable prices.

GOLD SPRINGS
PARK ROAD
(11-12-09)

R. Jones moved to have public works discuss with Gold Springs Parks Society what they require for their access road.

Carried.

UNDEVELOPED
ROAD ALLOWANCES
(11-12-10)

R. Jones moved to amend Policy 320.40, Paragraph 2 to read: "No physical obstructions, improvements (fencing, etc.) and/or developments are allowed on the road allowance, except for a cross gate, which must be unlocked and accessible to the public. No signs (such as No Trespassing or Private Road) are allowed." Everyone will be treated the same.

Carried.

LETHBRIDGE
HERALD BOXES
(11-12-11)

R. Jones moved to accept the information presented about the Lethbridge Herald boxes as information.

Carried.

CPO S. Simpson left the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Reeve R. Ford called for a recess for lunch at 12:05 p.m.

Reeve R. Ford called the meeting back to order at 12:40 p.m.

MILK RIVER RIDGE
FIRE
(11-12-13)

G. Krokosh moved to accept the minutes from the fire debriefing as information.

Carried.

(11-12-14)

R. Jones moved to have administration look into putting GPS units into all the County of Warner fire trucks.

Carried.

(11-12-15)

G. Krokosh moved that the County of Warner look into the feasibility of purchasing a new fire pumper for the Wrentham fire department in the near future.

Carried.

RIDGE PARK
CONTRACT
(11-12-16)

R. Jones moved to enter into the agreement with Lynne Oler as per the recommendation from the Parks Committee.

Carried.

CHRISTMAS GIFT
CARDS
(11-12-17)

R. Taylor moved to purchase \$50 Safeway gift cards for all full time employees and council.

Carried.

BROWNLEE
EMERGING TRENDS
WORKSHOP

A discussion was had that because the Ag Service Board meetings were going to be held the same time as the workshop that Council would attend the Ag Service Board meetings instead.

CORRESPONDENCE
(11-12-18)

G. Krokosh moved that the correspondence be accepted as information.

Carried.

EMPLOYEE
EVALUATIONS
(11-12-19)

G. Krokosh moved to approve the use of the proposed employee self-evaluation forms.

Carried.

PROCEDURAL
BYLAW

It was agreed that the new format of having reports at the beginning of the meeting was good and that the divisional reports should be provided electronically as well so there was time to read them before the meeting. Administration will prepare a new procedural bylaw for next meeting.

ADJOURN
(11-12-20)

W. Cunningham moved to adjourn at 1:57 p.m.

Carried

Reeve

Administrator