

FEBRUARY 2015 MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF BITTERN LAKE

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

February 9, 2015 @ 7:00 pm in the Village Office.

IN ATTENDANCE

Deputy Mayor Charlie Debnam
CAO Theresa Fuller

Councillor Chuck Jarvis
Public Works Foreman Peter Brattinga

CALL TO ORDER

#11/15

Deputy Mayor Debnam called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Carried.

AMENDMENTS AND

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

#12/15

Councillor Jarvis made a motion to accept the agenda as presented.

Carried.

CONFIRMATION OF

MINUTES

#13/15

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to accept the minutes as presented.

Carried.

GUESTS

Barry Toms

CORRESPONDENCE

City of Camrose - Consumption Charge Increase

Presented for information purposes.

Mayor Kerry Grettum Resignation

Presented for information purposes.

A.Krause Development Application - January 2015

Presented for information purposes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Water Main Malfunction

Discussion progressed around the issues we have been having with regard to the water mains.

CAO Fuller and Councillor Jarvis had chatted with two different individuals from the City of Camrose. CAO Fuller has arranged for Public Works Foreman Brattinga to contact and arrange to obtain additional helpful information. We will be implementing some strategies with City of Camrose's assistance possibly in the summer.

2. Public Works Report - PW Foreman Brattinga

PW Foreman Brattinga informed council of the following: Hydrant at the rink has been working, staff have installed a box and heating lamp over the hydrant. This has enabled better draining without it freezing prior to drainage.

PW Foreman expressed willingness to instruct volunteers for flooding the rink. We can arrange to leave the hose and nozzle at the site, possibly in the box.

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Snow removal has been completed, intersections are sanded and the some of the main areas of concern.

Water Operator Patterson is still on limited duty. BacT tests are being done two times per month, and PW Personnel Kyle Brattinga has been completing the pump house tests two days per week.

The South Village hydrant is now frozen. Originally thought it was due to the hoses, however the resident has their own hose and it is still frozen. Staff will work on thawing it.

PW Foreman Brattinga requested Deputy Mayor Debnam to keep him informed if the door purchased for the hall door repair needs to be returned. They could purchase hydraulic door closer or chain to ensure the door is not caught by the wind and extended again.

Burn Pile: located at the lagoon. It may be challenging to have it accessible for public. The possibility to have a fire near the skating rink for a social event may be better.

It has been a difficult year to install ice at the rink. The freezing and thawing has made it challenging to keep a good ice base, coupled with the hydrant issues. With the cooler temperatures, staff are hoping to freeze a good base for skating from here till spring ish.

Recent situation has occurred: while snow blowing down a back alley, a rope had been caught in the blower, causing damage to the unit. Uncertain on the time it will take to repair it.

3. Community Association Update

CAO Fuller had reported the office receiving a request for a copy of the Community Association bylaws and the possibility of a lease being drawn up as well. The Community Association would like to apply for a Casino, consequently requires the information.

Deputy Mayor Debnam reported that functions are going strong, darts has at least 15 people per week. The association is looking to fix the bar top, requesting that the village pay for base boards to complete the basement flooring. There has been consistent interest and participation which appears to be generating some self sufficiency.

Flooring for the main floor, various options are being considered.

4. Abandoned Animal Pick up Process

CAO Fuller shared her findings with council. Bashaw Veterinary only has room for the pets they are treating and Dr. Bibby informed CAO Fuller they do not currently have the facilities to assist. Sadly, no new option have been presented.

5. Surveillance Cameras - Request to table

Council agreed to table at this time, in order to obtain some pricing.

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Agenda Item 5 and 6.

#19/15

Councillor Jarvis made a motion to go in Camera at 8:13 pm.

Carried.

#20/15

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to come out of Camera at 8:20 pm.

Carried.

CAO REPORT

No questions presented.

FINANCIAL

#21/15

Deputy Mayor Debnam and Councillor Jarvis reviewed the financials.
Councillor Jarvis made a motion to approve the financials as presented.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

#22/15

Councillor Jarvis made a motion to adjourn at 8:25 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETING

March 9, 2015 - 7:00 pm Council Chambers

Deputy Mayor Charlie Debnam

CAO Theresa Fuller