

VILLAGE OF BITTERN LAKE
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
August 10, 2009 @ 7:00 P.M. IN THE BITTERN LAKE VILLAGE OFFICE

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Sheldon Sendeck
Deputy Mayor Earl Debnam
Councillor Robyn Booth
CAO Theresa Fuller

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by Mayor Sendeck at 7:00 pm.

AMENDMENTS
AND ACCEPTANCE
OF AGENDA

#68/09

Addition of Water On Call, Office Security, and Low Flush toilet rebate to New Business.

Carried.

CONFIRMATION
OF MINUTES

#69/09

Mayor Sendeck made a motion that the minutes of July 13, 2009 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

GUESTS

None present.

CORRESPONDENCE

CDSS Letter – requiring a new board member
Lagoon Levy letters – Cottingham and Scheck
(included in Unfinished Business)

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

Pumphouse Update

Confusion with regard to the grant submission to Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater. Initial application called the Pump house upgrade, this study would not qualify as it is too specific. However an Overall Water system Study would, consequently the wording would simply change. The application will be resubmitted with the appropriate changes applied.

Krause Subdivision

Descon engineering has been requiring payment with regard to this development. CAO Fuller has sent Mr. Krause a letter stating we are no longer willing to proceed with any further discussion until the bill has been paid. Typically the village wouldn't enter into a development agreement until an Area Structure Plan has been agreed upon. We will proceed with further negotiations once the engineering bill has been paid.

Lagoon Levy Tax – Cottingham and Scheck

The residents on the south side have been billed for the Lagoon Levy Tax. In 2008 the residents were billed and prior to that they were not.

Mayor Sendeck made a motion to refund the south side residents on Martin Ave their Lagoon Levy Tax from last year, and remove it from the 2009 Tax Notice.

#70/09

Carried.

Low Flush Toilet Rebate

#71/09

Council would like to implement a Low Flush Toilet Rebate program. The first 80 toilets will receive an \$80.00 per toilet rebate, and the following 80 will receive \$40.00 per toilet rebate. A Village resident can apply for more than one toilet, and they will have to meet specific criteria in order to qualify. Mayor Sendeck made a motion to proceed with implementation of the low Flush Toilet Rebate program to be offered from September 1 -30, 2009. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

CDSS is requiring a new board Member

CAO Fuller inquired if anyone was interested in becoming the village representative for the CDSS board. No response at this time.

Office Security

#72/09

CAO Fuller informed council that an area of the administration building did not have any security features.

Mayor Sendeck made a motion to install the required additional security. Carried.

CAO REPORT

1. **2008 Audit** – Report for council to review. All is in order and administration staff will be implementing the auditor’s recommendations.
2. **Radiofrequency Water Meter Installation** – Most of the meters have been installed with exception of about 4. We are proceeding with preparing the required data files.
3. **Garbage Facility** – We have had a suggestion come forward to install a gate and lock on the recycling/garbage facility. This was discussed and the challenge continues to be that people would continue to deposit their garbage just outside the gate anyway. No further action to proceed at this time.

FINANCIAL
#73/09

Mayor Sendeck made the motion to accept the financials as presented. Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

#74/09

Mayor Sendeck made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of council at 8:00 pm. Carried.

NEXT MEETING

September 14, 2009, 7:00 in the Village Office.

Mayor, Sheldon Sendeck

CAO, Theresa Fuller