

AUGUST 2014 MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF BITTERN LAKE

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

August 11, 2014 @ 7:00 pm in the Village Office.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Kerry Grettum

Deputy Mayor Charlie Debnam

CAO Theresa Fuller

PW Foreman Peter Brattinga

Absent with notification: Councillor Chuck Jarvis - Vacation.

CALL TO ORDER

#67/14

Mayor Grettum called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Carried.

AMENDMENTS AND

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

#68/14

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

Carried.

CONFIRMATION OF

MINUTES

#69/14

Mayor Grettum requested the July meeting minutes be amended to reflect that the village could not afford to hire a Development Officer full time.

Mayor Grettum made a motion to accept the meeting minutes with the requested amendment.

Carried.

GUESTS

Mrs. Wendy Toms - Wheelchair Ramp Request for the Hall

Mrs. Toms was not present at the meeting.

PW Foreman Peter Brattinga - Monthly Report For Council

Mr. Reay Gibson, Mrs. Marianne Gibson and Mr. Glen Laws.

CORRESPONDENCE

BRAED Fee Increase Letter

Presented for information purposes. Mayor Grettum asked how much it was annually? CAO Fuller thought it was about 100 per year.

Camrose County Bylaw Change Advertisement

Presented for information purposes.

Mr. Gibson - Development Concerns

CAO Fuller had generated a report with recommendations to be considered.

Mayor Grettum has requested additional time to process and read the report.

Mayor Grettum assured Mr. Gibson that his issues are being addressed.

Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Gibson and Mr. Laws departed from the meeting.

Fortis Franchise Agreement Renewal

Discussion progressed, council requested to table until the next meeting.

Municipal Affairs - Safety Codes

Presented for information purposes.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Community Hall Wheelchair Ramp - Wendy Toms

Mrs. Toms was not present to comment.

2. Community Association Update

Discussion progressed with regard to eaves trough installation. Council requested CAO Fuller to book KD 5 to install five inch with additional downspouts, possibly arrange PVC downspouts.

Council requested CAO Fuller to obtain additional quotes, make a judgement and arrange to have it repaired.

Further conversation regarding possibly installing a 4 X 6 pad in the back, dig it out, base it, etc. repair the bottom of the door that is rotting.

Council also requested CAO Fuller to find out if the hot water tank has been fixed in a permanent nature, or not .

3. Public Works Report

Mayor Grettum turned the floor over to PW Foreman Brattinga. Foreman Brattinga explained they had four men working, drainage is not quite finished. The last ditch over on Alberta Ave, adjacent to Abbey has been carved out, but is clay, it is washing into the culvert. PW will be proceeding to have large rock delivered and put into place to assist with the erosion.

Some culverts are plugging off, they will all be cleaned out prior to winter.

Assistant PW K.Brattinga, and Kyle have been working on the mowing, weed eating, etc. It has slowed somewhat due to Kyle being injured. Barry Toms has been assisting with watering flowers.

Drainage: sections of Alberta and Railway still wash out, goes in behind 209 Birkette, we need to place more gravel and it still requires ongoing maintenance.

The grade of the hill in that alley is a problem. Culverts will be pressure washed and cleared in preparation for spring.

The RV dump is being used, residents have been very appreciative of the service.

The commercial lots have been sold, consequently we need to locate somewhat to place snow. PW Foreman is proposing a roadway to soccer field and put the snow on the soccer field. The current gate makes it a challenge for access, possibly the green space beyond the garden area may be a possibility, it would save some work.

Lagoon: vegetation will be trimmed down, PW Brattinga will be renting additional equipment to complete the process quickly. The lagoon is scheduled for the annual pump out end of August, beginning of September. It takes about 4 - 5 days and about 45 gallons of gas.

Crack filling - to be completed within about two weeks. Pavement cracks will be cleaned out with pressure washer, dried then filled with crack filler.

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Tree trimmings will be hauled to lagoon, once first snow occurs, the plan is to burn them. In spring we may want to arrange to level the piles over by the lagoon, possibly with a cat. When we move it ourselves it causes flat tires.

Dumpsters: every week two staff work about two hours or more. If bbqs are left, then more show up. PW pile the items in the compound and arrange to take them to the landfill. Mr. Huggard frequently loads items and takes them to the dump from the recycling area. He has chatted with people and asks them to remove items that do not belong.

Pump house: ongoing situations, monitors that are fixed, the once adjusted, it sometimes had trouble resetting. The chlorine pump has been worked on as well.

Future Considerations: Gator has many hours on it, we may need to consider replacement. The front mower requires tires and new blades. Water ccs in the village about 3 may need to be replaced. It is anticipated this may be an ongoing issue.

Grass cutting; ongoing because of the rain, some herbicide and pesticides have been used.

Deputy Mayor Debnam mentioned that now the pad has been removed from the back of the hall, something needs to be done to fix it.

New trailer: PW had a situation with it. It was being used to haul dirt to the garden site, the controller was not working well. It was stuck with half a load of dirt still on it, and no one was willing to come out to work on it. PW Foreman Brattinga obtained permission to work on it and arranged to have it repaired. Mayor Grettum thanked PW Foreman Brattinga for his report.

A-1 Building needs to have the weeds cut down. Letter to be sent.

CAO Fuller to contact them to cut weeds down.

4. Capital Budget Discussions

Council booked a date to discuss in greater detail for August 27, 2014, 7:00 pm in council chamber.

5. Development Issues Discussion and Follow-up

Council briefly chatted about it. It was decided to table the item to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Council Meeting Date Change

Discussion progressed.

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to have the next regular council meeting on Wednesday, September 17, 2014.

#70/14

Carried.

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2. Bylaw 05.14 Electric Franchise Agreement - possible first and second reading.
Council requested to table this item to the next meeting.

3. TNT Canada Consultants 5 Year Service Agreement
Council requested to table this item to the next meeting.

CAO REPORT

August 2014, Confidential CAO Report generated for Council Review.
Lot Sales: Does council want to invest the funds?
Brief discussion, yes council requested CAO Fuller to arrange the funds to be invested.
Discussion progressed regarding the upcoming Block party. CAO Fuller requested if the village could purchase the hamburgers and buns. Council agreed.
Discussion progressed regarding several aspects of the report.

FINANCIAL

#71/14

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to approve the financials as presented.
Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

#72/14

Mayor Grettum made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm.
Carried.

NEXT MEETING

August 27, 2014 - 6:00 pm Capital Projects discussion - Committee of Whole.
September 17, 2014 - 7:00 pm Council Chambers

Mayor Kerry Grettum

CAO Theresa Fuller