

FEBRUARY 2014 MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF BITTERN LAKE

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

February 12, 2014 @ 7:00 pm in the Village Office.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Kerry Grettum
Councillor Chuck Jarvis

Deputy Mayor Charlie Debnam
CAO Theresa Fuller

CALL TO ORDER

#15/14

Mayor Grettum made a motion to call the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Carried.

AMENDMENTS AND

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

#16/14

Deputy Mayor Debnam requested to add the Skating Rink to unfinished business.

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the Skating Rink.

Carried.

CONFIRMATION OF

MINUTES

#17/14

Councillor Jarvis made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented.

Carried.

GUESTS

DEM - Chris MacLennan

Mayor Grettum turned the floor over to Chris MacLennan. The preparation for the open house has been progressing well. Chris shared the power point presentation with council and the report from the most recent MEP review. Chris shared with council the plan for the open house. Discussion progressed regarding the various details.

Dieter Langer has been very generous, providing many promotional items, information, and the raffle item; a 72 hour kit.

Give aways are from Dieter, 72 hour kit is for the raffle, supplied by him as well. Would be helpful to have dieter there in attendance for information.

Chris provided council with copies of the MEP review and his lists of the current inventory on site at the office. He also provided recommendations regarding training for members.

Chris departed once he completed his presentation.

CORRESPONDENCE

Alberta Human Services and Community Engagement

Presented for information.

AUMA Information letter

Presented for information.

Alberta Transportation Contact Information

Presented for information.

CDSS Villages Representative, D. Bannister

Presented for information.

Official Opposition Critic

Presented for information.

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Canada Post Saturday Post Office Closure

Council had questions on the impact this closure would have. CAO Fuller had chatted with Anne, the postmaster and she informed us that it would have minimal impact. Her volume of customers on Saturdays was minimal.

TRAVIS Communique

Brief discussion on the impact the permitting system would have on residents.

Fortis Streetlight Estimate

Discussed in greater detail within the agenda.

Sani - Dump Proposal

Discussed in greater detail within the agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Bittern Lake Community Association Update - Earl (Charlie) Debnam

All has been going well with the hall. There has not been any recent meetings lately. The carpet is in the process of being removed on the stage area. This will enable the Zumba lady more space for participants. Zumba has become quite popular, some evenings she has thirteen participants.

The hall board is considering purchasing more laminate so that the bar area can be finished as well in the basement.

Purchase more laminate possibly, to finish the bar area in the basement.

The Zumba rental has really contributed to keeping the hall going. The hall is getting closer to being sustainable, generating an income to support basic expenses.

2. City of Camrose Water increase - Cost Comparisons and Information Included

Discussion progressed regarding the options for the fee for service.

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to approve the implementation of Recommendation B.

#18/14

Carried.

Recommendation B: Resident Charges will be \$25.00 per month and \$ 1.85 per cubic meter. County Connections: \$46.50 and \$1.90 per cubic meter. Ervick Junction: \$ 227.06 and \$2.00 per cubic meter. Bulk water will increase to \$4.75 per cubic meter.

3. March Postage Increase - Postage Meter or Stamps

Discussion progressed regarding the advantages/disadvantages to each proposal. It was decided to continue to purchase stamp rolls from the post office.

4. Disaster Preparedness Open House

Discussed earlier in the agenda in the guest section. DEM Chris MacLennan addressed it with council.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. Railway Avenue Street Light Quote

Discussion progressed. It was noted that the light installation was not an LED light. Council requested CAO Fuller to check if there would be an additional cost to having an LED light installed vs the HPS light.

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to approve the quote with the addition of an LED light.

#19/14

Carried.

2. Sani - Dump Station Quote

Table till next meeting

3. Travis Permitting - Information

Presented for information. Our information is now in the system.

4. Commercial Lot 11 - Offer for Consideration

Proposal has been presented to council for consideration.

5. Skating Rink Lights.

CAO Fuller to follow up with CEL electric get the last light going.

CAO REPORT

February 12, 2014 CAO Report generated for Council Review.
No questions were presented.

FINANCIAL

#20/14

Mayor Grettum made a motion to approve the financials.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

#21/14

Mayor Grettum made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETING

March 10, 2014, 7:00 pm Council Chambers

Mayor Kerry Grettum

CAO Theresa Fuller