

JULY 2014 MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF BITTERN LAKE

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

July 14, 2014, 2014 @ 7:00 pm in the Village Office.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Kerry Grettum
Councillor Chuck Jarvis

Deputy Mayor Debnam
CAO Theresa Fuller

CALL TO ORDER

#62/14

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

Carried.

AMENDMENTS AND

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

#63/14

No additions to the agenda were presented.

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

Carried.

CONFIRMATION OF

MINUTES

#64/14

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

Carried.

GUESTS

Mr. Tom Cottingham	Mr. Sheldon Kozcka	Mr. Chris Allen
Mr. George Schielke	Mr. Glen Laws	Mr. Duane Allen
Mrs. Pat Schielke	Mr. Dale Allen	Mrs. Pat Allen
Mr. Rob Gibson	Mrs. Kathy Gibson	Mrs. Wendy Toms
Ms. Geraldine Murphy	Mr. Dennis Wishnowski	Mr. Barry Toms
Mr. Ken Tarbett	Mr. Kurt Armier	Mr. Al Anger

Mr. and Mrs. Reay Gibson - Land use Bylaw 339 & MGA

Mayor Grettum proceeded to turn the floor over to Mr. Reay Gibson.

Mr. Gibson proceeded to express his concern that the Land use Bylaw and the MGA were not being followed specifically with regard to development.

Mr. Gibson proceeded to verbally list the areas that he felt were not being followed.

He felt that residents were not suitable notified for developments, stating that Camrose advertises, lists the addresses of the property to be developed, and sends letters to adjacent property owners.

He was very adamant that the locations required the municipal addresses in addition to the legal land. He proceeded to site examples and sections of each of the acts.

Mr. Gibson proceeded in great detail with his concerns, expressing there were 12 areas that the village development officer was in violation of the bylaws.

Mr. Gibson continued stating that the village has appointed CAO Fuller as the Development Officer and the designated officer. Regarding Bylaw 339 he discovered several variances that restrict the authority of the development officer to 10% on discretionary issues.

Reay expressed his appreciation for the residents of the village that had taken the time to come out and support this situation.

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Mr. Gibson stated that he is not here to appeal the SDAB decision.

Discussion progressed. Mayor Grettum and CAO Fuller both requested Mr. Gibson to provide the office with his specific issues in written form and council/administration would be happy to ensure they are followed up on and addressed.

Mayor Grettum mentioned that we, as a small village cannot employ a lawyer to generate a new land use bylaw.

Mr. Gibson expressed that we have to be prepared to sleep at night and hope that our bylaws are being practiced and followed.

Mrs. Gibson addressed the Mayor; requesting to speak. Mayor Grettum granted her request. Mrs. Gibson felt that all the development correspondence should include the civic address.

Mayor Grettum reiterated his request for Reay to generate a document listing his concerns and we would be happy to ensure they are addressed.

The discussion wrapped up. Mr. Gibson and all the residents requested to depart. Mayor Grettum excused them from council chamber.

Mr. Barry Toms, and Mrs. Wendy Toms remained in council chamber for the balance of the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Municipal Affairs - Grant Information
Presented for information purposes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Community Association Update

The hall requires eaves troughs and a new lower door. The lower door is currently being tied shut.

The flooring in the basement has developed a bulge. It is considered due to the humidity lately. It is anticipated that it will recede.

The exhaust fan on the west wall above the double doors is not working.

It has been recommended to have ceiling fans installed to increase air flow in the second floor.

CAO Fuller to contact KD 5 eaves troughing for a quote. Door repair to be possibly arranged through either Gary Zetsen or Camrose Glass. The exhaust fan and the ceiling fan installation; CAO Fuller to contact D2 Electrical to arrange the repairs.

Council asked CAO Fuller to request that Public works make the back cement pad removal a priority.

2. Capital Budget update - Should be ready for discussion August Meeting

The information had not been compiled and ready for presentation to council. This month has been a serious increase in CAO time commitment to development applications, issues, and compliance certificates, etc.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. Rosenroll Cemetery - Boundaries

Council reviewed the map. Discussion progressed regarding where to install the proposed fence. Council at this time has agreed to pass the information to Louise Lewis with the Historical Society, they are funding the fence installation. Depending on funds will determine how much of the complete area is to be fenced.

Council appeared to be in support of fencing the complete area, that way there is no confusion with successive owners in the proximity; as to the location of property boundaries.

2. Land use Bylaw 339 & MGA

A follow up letter will be generated to Mr. Gibson requesting the list of areas he would like addressed.

Section 15, Subsection (3) references section 152 of the MGA. This reference does not appear to apply to the situation that is addressed in the Land use Bylaw 339. CAO Fuller to locate the appropriate section that is to be addressed, and make recommendations for amendment to council.

Items Recorded from Reay's Verbal Presentation:

1. Development Notification Process: CAO Fuller to list current process and make recommendations for improvements.

2. Include Civic Addresses on Development Notices

3. Discretionary Issues: Information on current practice and recommendations for moving forward.

4. Possibility of having an External organization process our Development Applications.

CAO REPORT

July 2014, CAO Report generated for Council Review.

Council did not have any questions regarding the CAO Report.

Council requested CAO Fuller to ask PW Foreman Brattinga for monthly reports on what is being completed, and the anticipated projects for the next month.

FINANCIAL

#65/14

Councillor Jarvis made a motion to approve the financials as presented.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

#66/14

Deputy Mayor Debnam made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 pm.

Carried.

NEXT MEETING

August 11, 2014 - 7:00 pm Council Chambers

Mayor Kerry Grettum

CAO Theresa Fuller