

MUNICIPALITY OF CROWSNEST PASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2011

A regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, October 4, 2011.

PRESENT: **MAYOR:** Bruce Decoux

COUNCILLORS: Brian Gallant, Jerry Lonsbury, Larry Mitchell,
Emile Saindon, Andrew Saje, Siegbert Gail

Also present:

Acting Interim Chief Administrative
Officer/ Director of Operations
Director of Finance & Systems
Acting Director of Legislative
Services and HR:
Transitional Solutions Inc.
Recording Secretary

Myron Thompson
Marion Vanoni

Leslie Orleni
Donna Tona
Kristin Ivey

Absent:

Interim Chief Administrative Officer

Kevin Robins

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Decoux called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No Public Hearings were scheduled.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M#6267-11: Councillor L. Mitchell moved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting of September 20, 2011

M#6268-11: Councillor E. Saindon moved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 20, 2011 be adopted as written.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

No delegations were scheduled.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS

Crowsnest Advisory Committee

Mrs. Marion Vanoni, Director of Finance & Systems, submitted a report regarding disbanding of the Crowsnest Advisory Committee (Crowsnest Action Committee)/ an Adhoc Committee of Community Futures/ Chamber of Commerce and Municipality. She noted that the Crowsnest Pass Economic Development Task Forces's Plan of May 24th, 2011 recommends disbanding the current Crowsnest Advisory Committee.

M#6269-11: Councillor J. Lonsbury moved that the adhoc Committee known as the Crowsnest Advisory Committee (Community Action Committee) established by M#3765-08 be disbanded with a letter sent with our thanks for the Crowsnest Revitalization Initiative Report submitted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Property Tax Recovery

Mrs. Marion Vanoni, Director of Finance & Systems submitted a report regarding 2011 Property Tax Auction. Pursuant to Division 8 of the Municipal Government Act dealing with the recovery of taxes related to land, four properties will be put up for public auction in the Municipal Office, Wednesday, November 30, 2011. These properties account for a total of \$ 23,709.00 in tax arrears outstanding since 2008. Mrs. Vanoni noted each property has been appraised by both the Municipal Tax Assessor and an independent Appraiser to arrive at the reserve bid.

M#6270-11: Councillor S. Gail moved pursuant to Division 8 of the Municipal Government Act dealing with the recovery of taxes related to land, authorize the following four properties that appear on the tax recovery list for the Municipality will be put up for public auction, in the Municipal Office on Wednesday, November 30th, 2011 at 11:00am with reserved bids as outlined in the following table:

Roll #	Title	Plan	Block	Lot	Civic Address	Reserved Bid	Type
3046300	061342416	7242AI	17	29-31	2913 225 Street	\$ 294 050.00	Residential
1003700	021403712	3387AE	9	7	1210 83 Street	\$ 115 000.00	Residential
1125200	071347786	2446AA	H	3	6965 17 Avenue	\$ 155 000.00	Residential
2037700	167130	3380T	9	13-14	13450 18 Avenue	\$ 135 000.00	Residential

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No Business Arising From the Minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Vulcan Country – Question on Expanding Section 382(1) on the Municipal Government Act

Correspondence was received from David Schneider, Reeve of Vulcan County regarding a question of expanding Section 382(1) of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) to allow for additional purposes that can be funded by a special tax bylaw. Vulcan County has been approached by a local group concerned about sustainability of their local area and school. They propose creating a Sustainability Initiative that would provide scholarships and bursaries for students and housing incentives for families to buy or build residences in the area and enroll their children in the local school, funds to be raised by special tax.

M#6271-11: Councillor J. Lonsbury moved that administration be instructed to communicate to Vulcan County that the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass is not prepared to entertain lobbying the Province to expand the language in Section 382(1) of the MGA to include funding for purposes proposed by the local group of Vulcan County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Honourable Hector Goudreau , Minister of Municipal Affairs

Correspondence was received from the Honourable Hector Goudreau, Minister of Municipal Affairs announcing that Alberta Municipal Affairs is again funding the Fire Services Emergency Preparedness Program (FSEPP) grant. Correspondence accepted as information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Protective Services Minutes – June 29, 2011

M#6272-11: Councillor S. Gail moved to accept the minutes of the June 29, 2011 Protective Services Meeting as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS

No bylaws were presented.

NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were presented.

OTHER BUSINESS

Crowsnest Pass Library Board Appointments

The Library Board recommends the appointment of the following two applicants for positions on the Library Board. Brad MacKenzie of Blairmore is recommended to replace Cheryl Norman whose term is to end March 2012 and Shelley Kuta of Blairmore is recommended to replace Scott Howard whose term is to end March 2013.

M#6273-11: Councillor E. Saindon moved to approve the appointments of Brad Mackenzie and Shelley Kuta to the Crowsnest Pass Library Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS

Councillor A. Saje:

- AUMA Convention in Calgary, AB

Councillor L. Mitchell:

- South Saskatchewan Regional Plan
- AUMA Convention in Calgary, AB
- Governance and Priorities Meeting

Councillor J. Lonsbury:

- Landfill meeting
- Senior's Housing
- FCSS Board Meeting

Councillor E. Saindon

- Library Board
- Firehall Organizational Meeting

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Jocelyn Thomas of Blairmore spoke to Council about a Committee formed in Fernie, BC which compiled an information package regarding pesticide use in Canada. Upon reviewing this package, Ms. Thomas stated that the City of Fernie banned non-essential cosmetic pesticides within City limits (Fernie Bylaw No. 2093, 2010) Ms. Thomas asks that Council consider limiting pesticide use within the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass as a public health issue and examine this package from the City of Fernie. Mayor Decoux requested Administration obtain a copy of this information package.

IN CAMERA

M#6274-11: Councillor S. Gail moved to go In Camera at 7:40 pm.

CARRIED

RECESSRECONVENE

Mayor Decoux declared a five minute recess.

BUSINESS OUT OF CAMERA

OUT OF CAMERA

M#6275-11: Councillor J. Lonsbury moved that Council come Out of Camera at 8:35pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Municipal Peace Officer Program

M#6276-11: Councillor L. Mitchell moved to direct Administration to enter into an agreement with Transitional Solutions Inc. to develop and implement a Municipal Peace Officer Program providing the following deliverables:

By December 31, 2011:

Based on the Municipal Bylaw Audit-Develop a Peace Officer implementation Program
Prepare documents required by the Solicitor General for authorization and appointment of a Municipal Peace Officer Program and Service

Implementation January 1, 2012 with completion no later than June 30, 2012:

Implement the Plan:

- Recruit and Train for the Program
- Public Consultation and Education

Develop a SOP Manual for the approval by the Solicitor General
Review existing and develop Municipal Enforcement Bylaws as required
Interim management of program 4-6 months (4 days per week)

Councillor A. Saje requested the following Friendly amendment and was accepted by Councillor L. Mitchell

And that Administration write to the Municipality's neighbouring communities asking if they are interested in partnering with the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass to engage Transitional Solutions Inc. to assist them in developing their own Community Peace Officer Programs as long as the Consultant deems it feasible.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

M#6277-11: Councillor L. Mitchell moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B.V. Decoux

MAYOR

ORIGINAL SIGNED

Kevin Robins

INTERIM CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER