

**MUNICIPALITY OF CROWSNEST PASS**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, November 18, 2008.

**PRESENT:** **MAYOR:** Dr. J. Irwin

**COUNCILLORS:** D. Cole, I. MacLeod, L. Mitchell, J. Salus, D. Ward

**Absent:** Councillor G. Taje

**Also present:**

Chief Administrative Officer:	Gordon O. Lundy
Director of Finance and Systems	Marion Vanoni
Public Works Superintendent:	Ray Mahieux
Community Services Director	Cam Mertz
Recording Secretary:	Carolee Ison

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor J. Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Land Use Amendment – Block 1, Plan 741 0209**

As required, a Public Hearing was held regarding the proposed rezoning of Block 1, Plan 741 0209 from Residential (R-1) to Multiple Residential (R-2A).

Ms. Jean Blackall was in attendance to speak in opposition to the proposed land use amendment. Ms. Blackall lives three properties away from the subject property and her comments included:

- ▶ Retired in the Crowsnest Pass choosing a single family area
- ▶ Opposed to the change to more high density properties in the area
- ▶ Traffic is heavier
- ▶ Opposed to the rezoning, as she feels the property should remain single family
- ▶ Urged Council to look ahead to create a long term plan to designate areas for high density population, rather than making adhoc decisions which are changing communities

**PUBLIC HEARINGS - Land Use Amendment – Block 1, Plan 741 0209 - Continued**

Mr. Andrew Rusynyk, a resident in the affected area, was in attendance not necessarily in favour or opposed to the rezoning. His comments included:

- ▶ Questioned if Council has considered the comfortable care and capacity of the area
- ▶ Parking on the street is becoming an issue
- ▶ Traffic flow should be considered
- ▶ Other similar rezonings may be requested in the area

A written submission was received from Fred and Marilyn Milley, adjacent landowners, in opposition to the rezoning and concerns included:

- ▶ Felt rezoning specific plots of property in single family residential neighborhoods compromises the market value of homes, and adds to the congestion and noise of the area

A written submission was received from Wilco Tymensen and Lisa Kalischuk Tymensen, adjacent landowners expressing the following concerns:

- ▶ Lack of vehicle and household storage
- ▶ Lack of on-street parking
- ▶ Safety issues due to a lack of visibility and steep incline driving up 135<sup>th</sup> Street approaching 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue

A written submission was received from the Subdivision and Development Authority supporting the application and recommending Council proceed with the amendment.

Mr. Kurt Neufeld, owner of the subject property, was in attendance to speak in favour of the proposed land use amendment. His comments included:

- ▶ The lot is large, uniquely located, and there is a right-of-way beside it
- ▶ Feels parking is not an issue with ample space for a driveway and garage
- ▶ Noted tax revenue would increase
- ▶ Felt surrounding property values would increase
- ▶ Plans on leaving large existing trees in place

Mayor J. Irwin declared the Public Hearing concluded.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**ADDITIONS:**

In Camera

4. Land

Business Arising

3. Clear Cut Logging – Atlas Road
4. Motion 3717-08 – Bylaw No. 770, 2008
5. Council Committees

**M#3723-08:** Councillor D. Cole moved to allow Ms. Leslie Huber to address Council during the *Business Arising – Clear Cut Logging - Atlas Road* portion of the meeting.

CARRIED

**M#3724-08:** Mayor J. Irwin moved that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**M#3725-08:** Councillor D. Ward moved that the minutes of the Organizational Meeting of Tuesday, October 21, 2008 be adopted as written.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**M#3726-08:** Councillor D. Cole moved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Tuesday, November 4, 2008 be adopted as written.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS**

No delegations were scheduled.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS**

### **Chief Administrative Officer**

Mr. Gordon O. Lundy, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a verbal report which included information on the following:

- ▶ Meetings with Crowsnest Centre Tenants
- ▶ Mountain Pine Beetle Update
- ▶ AAMD&C Convention
- ▶ Community Futures Meeting Pending
- ▶ Municipal Employee Harassment Policy has been assigned
- ▶ Bylaw Officer hired and started November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008
  - Office for Bylaw Officer located in the Municipal Office discussed

### **Director of Finance and Systems**

Ms. Marion Vanoni, Director of Finance and Systems, provided a written report and reviewed same with Council. Said report contained information on the following:

- ▶ Statement of Surplus and Loss and the recap of operating and capital revenue and expenses as at September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 with the inclusion of wages and benefits to November 1, 2008
- ▶ Summary of operational budget reductions
- ▶ Legal Costs incurred for the Crowsnest Centre Plebiscite injunction
- ▶ GIS update and training

Council was presented with an information package as the first step of the Budget Process, with applications for grant funding included in the package.

- ▶ If a Budget Meeting is held on November 25<sup>th</sup>, an assessment review will be provided by the Tax Assessor
- ▶ The Freedom of Information and Privacy Act was highlighted as many documents may be affected, and if pinpointing individual names or organizations, cautioned that Council should move In Camera
- ▶ 2010 and 2011 information was also provided

The Director of Finance and Systems requested direction on how Council would like to handle the resource for the expenditure of the balance of \$127,000.00 due in 2009 on the Rescue Vehicle.

The Director of Finance and Systems requested direction regarding the Rescue Vehicle on how Council would like to handle the \$92,600.00 expended.

- ▶ Council recommended reviewing the budget and then making a decision

The Director of Finance and Systems requested to be excused after the *Business Arising – Budget Meeting Dates* portion of the meeting.

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS - Continued**

**Public Works Superintendent**

Mr. Ray Mahieux, Public Works Superintendent, provided two written reports and reviewed same with Council. Said reports contained information on the following:

- ▶ Hillcrest Water Treatment Plant
- ▶ Alberta Transportation Audit
  - Reviewed deficiencies identified and how they will be addressed

A verbal report was provided on the following:

- ▶ Blairmore/Coleman Interconnect
- ▶ Bellevue Infrastructure Projects
- ▶ Paving
- ▶ Work by Public Works Crews

The Public Works Superintendent requested to be excused following the *Operational Services Committee Report* portion of the meeting.

**Community Services Director**

Mr. Cam Mertz, Community Services Director, provided a written report and reviewed same with Council. Said report contained information on the following:

- ▶ 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Southern Alberta Summer Games
- ▶ Complex Handicap Accessibility Project
- ▶ Recreation Staffing
- ▶ Weed Control Program
  - Discussions with M.D. of Ranchlands to partnership for weed control
- ▶ Upcoming Work
  - Grooming Contract for Cross Country Skiing
  - 2009 Budget Presentation to Council
  - Finalize Executive Structure for Summer Games
  - Tender Flumerfelt Bridge and Staircase

**M#3727-08:** Councillor D. Ward moved to provide a letter of support for the Bellecrest Community Association's Community Initiatives Grant Application to purchase and install concrete picnic tables in the Bellecrest Community Campground.

CARRIED

**EXCUSED** Mr. Cam Mertz, Community Services Director, was excused from the meeting at 8:12 pm.

**ACCEPT ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS**

**M#3728-08:** Councillor D. Cole moved to accept the Administrative and Agency Reports, the Statement of Surplus and Loss and the recap of operating and capital revenue and expenses as at September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**Budget Meeting Dates**

**M#3729-08:** Councillor D. Ward moved to set Budget Meeting dates for November 25, November 26, December 1 and December 4, 2008.

WITHDRAWN

**M#3730-08:** Councillor D. Ward moved to set Budget Meeting dates for November 25, November 26, December 1 and December 3, 2008.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Kananaskis Wilds – Civic Addressing**

**M#3731-08:** Councillor D. Cole moved to accept the Kananaskis Wilds Addressing Option #1, include the street names as in Option #2, and the appropriate signage.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**EXCUSED** Ms. Marion Vanoni, Director of Finance and Systems, was excused from the meeting at 8:28 pm.

**Clear Cut Logging – Atlas Road**

Ms. Leslie Huber was in attendance to update Council on a meeting she attended on November 17, 2008 at the Sustainable Resource Development Office in Calgary. The meeting was attended by Sustainable Resource Development, Spray Lakes and Western Adventures representatives. Leslie and Glen Huber are the owners and operators of Western Adventures. Ms. Huber reported:

- ▶ Western Adventures suggested the proposed logging along Atlas Road and vicinity be deferred until the Land Use Framework is complete

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - Clear Cut Logging – Atlas Road**

- ▶ SRD indicated logging will not be deferred as per the current plan, until a new plan is developed
- ▶ The plans were incorporated into the Fire Smart Plan
- ▶ Western Adventures explained how the plan will affect their trail riding business, stating if the plan is approved as proposed, it will force the closure of the business
- ▶ Feel there may be other alternatives that are less invasive
- ▶ SRD advised that a copy of the proposed plan is available to view at the Blairmore SRD Office
- ▶ Suggested Council request SRD make the proposal available on their website
- ▶ Long term maintenance of Atlas Road is an issue
- ▶ Requesting Council's support on this issue

Further discussion included:

- ▶ Ms. Huber has spoken to Oceans & Fisheries
  - ▶ The affected stream is fish bearing
  - ▶ Ms. Huber has emailed the Minister of Environment, but has not had a response
- Questioned if there is a Road Use Agreement from Highway 3 to the forestry boundary  
The clear cut logging issue along the Atlas Road and vicinity will be on the agenda for the meeting with Evan Berger, MLA on November 21, 2008

Mayor J. Irwin thanked Ms. Huber for her presentation.

**RECESS/RECONVENE**

Mayor J. Irwin recessed the meeting at 8:55 pm and reconvened at 9:07 pm.

**Motion 3717-08 – Bylaw No. 770, 2008**

**M#3732-08:** Councillor D. Ward moved to rescind Motion 3717-08 and hold the Crowsnest Centre Proposed Rezoning Public Hearing at a regular scheduled Council Meeting in Council Chamber.

CARRIED

The Chief Administrative Officer advised advertising must be done for two consecutive weeks, and the earliest date for the Crowsnest Centre Proposed Rezoning Public Hearing would be at the December 16<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

**Council Committees**

It was noted that on the list of *2008 -2009 Standing Committees*, Gary Taje was listed on the Crowsnest Centre Committee, but Larry Mitchell should be on the Crowsnest Centre Committee.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Alberta Employment and Immigration – Awards of Distinction**

Correspondence was received from Hector Goudreau, Minister of Employment and Immigration, advising that Employment and Immigration is sponsoring three awards for the Alberta Chambers of Commerce 2009 Alberta Business Awards of Distinction, and inviting submissions for nominations for one or more of these awards. The three awards include the Premier’s Award of Distinction, the Employer of Persons with Disabilities Award of Distinction, and the Employer of Youth Award of Distinction.

Accepted as information.

**Town of Fort MacLeod – Santa Claus Parade**

Correspondence was received from Shawn Patience, Mayor of Fort MacLeod, extending an invitation to Mayor and Council to attend the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Santa Claus Parade on Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008, and the “Mayor’s Luncheon” at The Fort – Museum of the North West Mounted Police.

Mayor Irwin expressed he will attend if possible.

**Alberta Transportation – Highway 3**

Correspondence was received from Darrell Camplin, Regional Director Alberta Transportation, advising the department is in the process of hiring an engineering consultant to be in a position to perform the work required for highway improvements if funding becomes available. The consultant will be analyzing the issues that were a priority to the municipality.

Accepted as information.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Operational Services Committee – Minutes**

The minutes from the November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting of the Operational Services Committee were provided for Council's review. The minutes were received as information and will be maintained on file.

Used Tandem Truck with Coal Box

The Operational Services Committee recommended Council consider the used tandem truck with coal box for the 2009 Budget.

Bellevue/Hillcrest Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade

**M#3733-08:** Councillor D. Cole moved to proceed with the tendering of the Bellevue/Hillcrest Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council requested before proceeding with the tendering of the Bellevue/Hillcrest Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, administration report back to Council on how this project will be funded.

Administration noted this information will be within the 2009 Capital and Operational Budget.

Maplevue Hall

The Operational Service Committee recommended Council consider demolition of the Maplevue Hall in the 2009 Budget.

Council recommended sending the issue of demolition of the Maplevue Hall to the Corporate Services Committee to review the offers received for the demolition of the Maplevue Hall.

“NO THRU TRAFFIC” Sign – 88 Street and 19 Avenue

**M#3734-08:** Councillor L. Mitchell moved to erect a “NO THRU TRAFFIC” sign at 88 Street and 19 Avenue.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COMMITTEE REPORTS - Operational Services Committee – Continued**

Angle Parking on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue Blairmore

**M#3735-08:** Councillor L. Mitchell moved to consult with the business community and Chamber of Commerce before considering moving angle parking from the north side to the south side of 20 Avenue Blairmore.

CARRIED

2008 Flood Damage to Adanac Road

**M#3736-08:** Councillor L. Mitchell moved to add the Disaster Recovery Program regarding 2008 Flood damage to Adanac road to the agenda for the meeting with Evan Berger, MLA.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council suggested closing the Adanac Road due to current safety issues.

**Protective Services – Police Advisory Committee – Minutes**

The minutes from the November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 meeting of the Police Advisory Committee were provided for Council's review. The minutes were received as information and will be maintained on file.

**Protective Services – Fire Chief's Meeting – Minutes**

The minutes from the November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 meeting of the Fire Chief's Meeting were provided for Council's review. The minutes were received as information and will be maintained on file.

**Crowsnest Centre Committee – Minutes**

The minutes from the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 Special Meeting of the Crowsnest Centre Committee were provided for Council's review. The minutes were received as information and will be maintained on file.

**EXCUSED** Mr. Ray Mahieux, Public Works Superintendent, was excused from the meeting at 9:30 pm.

**BYLAWS**

**Bylaw No. 769, 2008 – Land Use Amendment – (Block 1, Plan 741 0209) (2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Rdgs.)**

**M#3737-08:** Councillor I. MacLeod moved Second Reading of Bylaw No. 769, 2008.

**M#3738-08:** Councillor L. Mitchell moved to table Bylaw No. 769, 2008.

DEFEATED

**M#3739-08:** Councillor I. MacLeod moved Second Reading of Bylaw No. 769, 2008

CARRIED

**M#3740-08:** Councillor D. Cole moved Third Reading of Bylaw No. 769, 2008.

CARRIED

**Bylaw No. 771, 2008–Repeal Bylaw No. 265, 1990 and amendment thereto (Bylaw No. 404, 1997 (Establish Crowsnest Centre Board))**

**M#3741-08:** Councillor D. Ward moved first reading of Bylaw No. 771, 2008.

CARRIED

**M#3742-08:** Councillor I. MacLeod moved second reading of Bylaw No. 771, 2008.

CARRIED

Council requested administration review the Municipal Government Act to check if a Public Hearing is necessary regarding repealing Bylaw No. 265, 1990 and amendment thereto (Bylaw No. 404, 1997 (Establish Crowsnest Centre Board))

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

No Notice of Motions were made.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Principles for the Castle Special Place and Functioning of the Castle Special Place Working Group**

Correspondence was received from Dianne Pachal, Alberta WILD Director, Sierra Club Canada, forwarding the Final Draft of the *Principles for the Castle Special Place and Functioning of the Castle Special Place Working Group*. The document was developed by a broadly based, citizen led process to develop a conceptual proposal to protect the Castle Special Place within the province's protected areas and parks designations. Included was the Background, Focus, Initiative, Conceptual Proposal, Principles for the Castle Special Place, and Principles for Functioning of the Castle Special Place Working Group.

Discussion included:

Questioned what role the Municipality plays in this process, and whether the Municipality has a role.

Councillor L. Mitchell explained this is a group who got together to set guidelines. The Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass, M.D. of Pincher Creek, and Town of Pincher Creek are not represented in this group. It is information which they hope to present to the M.D. of Pincher Creek. Councillor Mitchell sat in with this group. There is no government involvement.

**COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Council members provided the following reports:

Councillor L. Mitchell

- AAMD&C
- Crowsnest Centre Meetings
- Operational Services Committee
- York Creek Lodge Meetings
- Quad Squad & Snow Trails
- Green Mountain Meeting
- Darrel Camplin – Alberta Transportation Meeting
- Shaw Cable

Councillor D. Cole

- Crowsnest Centre Committee Meeting
- Operational Service Committee Meeting
- Council & Crowsnest Centre Board Meeting
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Bellevue
- Crowsnest Pass Senior Housing Meeting

**COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS – cont'd**

Councillor J. Salus

- Doors Open Heritage Festival Meeting
- Library Meeting
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Coleman
- Crowsnest Centre Board
- Community Economic Development Training Workshop

Councillor I. MacLeod

- Landfill Budget Meetings
- Crowsnest Centre Meetings
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Blairmore

Councillor D. Ward

- FCSS Meeting
- Landfill Meeting
- Chamber of Commerce AGM
- Other Meetings attended by Council

Mayor Irwin

- AAMD&C
- Other Meetings attended by Council

**PUBLIC INPUT**

No public input was presented.

**IN CAMERA**

**M#3743-08:** Councillor I. MacLeod moved that Council go In Camera at 9:46 pm. to discuss legal and land matters.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OUT OF CAMERA**

**M#3744-08:** Councillor J. Salus moved that Council come Out of Camera at 10:17 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**M#3745-08:** Councillor D. Ward moved that mobile home lot rental in Blairmore be increased by \$30.00 per month.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**M#3746-08:** Councillor L. Mitchell moved that a Road Closure Bylaw be prepared for 64 Street and 65 Street in Plan 232 AI (Athletic Park).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADJOURN**

**M#3747-08:** Councillor MacLeod moved to adjourn at 10:19 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

JOHN IRWIN

MAYOR

**ORIGINAL SIGNED**

GORDON O. LUNDY

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER