

MUNICIPALITY OF CROWSNEST PASS

TUESDAY, March 17, 2009

A regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, March 17, 2009.

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

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

Also present:

Chief Administrative Officer:	Gordon O. Lundy
Director of Finance and Systems:	Marion Vanoni
Public Works Superintendent:	Ray Mahieux
Confidential Secretary:	Lynne Cox

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Land Use Amendment – Lots 9 (Part) & 10, Block 10, Plan 820L (Coleman)

Mayor Irwin noted there were no members of the public present to speak in opposition to the Land Use Amendment as proposed.

Mr. Nick Kufinoff, owner of the property, came forward to represent his interest in the property. Nick noted that the property has been used as a commercial shop for 18 years and wondered why he had to pay to rezone it to continue a similar activity.

Mayor Irwin thanked Mr. Kufinoff for his presentation.

2. Land Use Amendment – Lot 13, Block 12, Plan 820L (Coleman)

Mayor Irwin noted there were no members of the public present to speak in opposition to the Land Use Amendment and the public hearing was declared concluded.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

ADDITIONS:

OTHER BUSINESS:

8. Developable Lands deleted from agenda

IN CAMERA:

4. Personnel
5. Personnel

M#3880 -09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M#3881-09: Councillor D. Cole moved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Tuesday, March 3 , 2009 be adopted as written.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS

Chief Administrative Officer

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

- ▶ Meeting with Rob Burland, Kathleen Murphy of Alberta Environment & Jeff Drain on the status of the appeal of the Sentinel Well application with a report back to Council on April 7, 2009
- ▶ Back Country rescues and EMS Services co-response program
- ▶ Contact with Mike Hoffman and Corey Armfelt of Gold Creek
- ▶ Meeting with Bruce Nimmo of Southmore to discuss status of the Southmore project
- ▶ Contacted by Spray Lakes about 2009 operational plan Open House in the spring
- ▶ Met with Loretta Thompson of the MD of Pincher Creek to discuss jointly working together to share a Health and Safety Officer which will be reviewed again after the budget process

- ▶ KPMG finalizing the audit on Mountain Pine Beetle

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS (Cont'd)

Director of Finance

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

- ▶ Continuation of 2009 budget deliberations with replacement of administration's obsolete and failing equipment
- ▶ Incurred expenses to repair the Toshiba copier and the OKIDATA printer – Council to consider moving forward with the purchase of the copiers
- ▶ Budget meeting set for March 31, 2009, 7:30 pm - Council will continue with budget deliberations as well as receive an update of the Census project and 2008 Financial statement audit proceedings

Support for Copiers in the amount of \$25,0000

M#3882-09: Councillor D. Ward moved that Council approve the purchase of copiers in the amount of \$25,000 under the 2009 Administration Capital budget

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Works Superintendent

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

- ▶ Building Canada Fund – The Municipality's application has been submitted
- ▶ Grader – on March 5th a mechanic and Ray went to Edmonton to look at the grader – he reported it as being excellent condition
- ▶ Research on wings for the grader – Ray reported that he research showed that he could find a used one for about \$10,000 therefore could offer up to \$140,000 for the grader
 - First offer of \$125k from the Municipality was refused
 - A Second offer off of \$140k was presented and Ray was told by the vendor that they could get \$185k - however, the Municipality's offer of \$140,000 still stands and Ray will report back on its status to Council
- ▶ Toxic Roundup – it is scheduled for May 23, 2009 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Blairmore shop and will be advertised
- ▶ Councillor Cole asked about sidewalks in Bellevue near 208th St and 25th Ave – with the understanding that a replacement commitment had been made previously. Ray will follow up for next Council on the status of the replacement sidewalk

ACCEPT ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS

M#3883-09: Councillor I. MacLeod moved to accept the Administrative and Agency Reports as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXCUSED

Mr. Ray Mahieux, Public Works Superintendent, was excused from the meeting at 7:30 pm

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Navigable Water Protection Act

Council revisited a request for a support tabled on February 17, 2009. Since the Act had already been passed in Parliament, Council received the item as information.

CORRESPONDENCE

SunnyView Estates

Correspondence from Janice and Barry Remus for the SunnyView Estates subdivision asking for a one year extension.

M#3884-09: Councillor G. Taje moved to grant SunnyView Estates the 1 year extension

DEFEATED

Revised Gold Creek Area Structure Plan

Correspondence from Cory Armfelt listed amendments to the original November 2008 Gold Creek Area Structure Plan and the letter was reviewed as information only.

CORRESPONDENCE (Cont'd)

CNP Library Board

Correspondence from Darlene McKenna requesting a policy review of their policy book and reviewed as an information item only. The policy is available at the Municipal office for Councillor review.

Letter from Ray Danyluk – Sanitary Sewer Inspection Project Funding

Correspondence from Hon. Ray Danyluk saying that the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass Sanitary Sewer Inspection Project has been accepted as a qualifying project for up to \$50,000. The letter was presented to Council as information only.

Letter from Ray Danyluk – Petition

Correspondence from Hon. Ray Danyluk saying he has received the petition and appointed Ms. Desiree Kuori of Alberta Municipal Affairs as the CAO to determine sufficiency of the petition. The letter was presented to Council as information only.

Coal Miner Days

Correspondence from David Wilks, Mayor of the District of Sparwood extending an invitation to participate in the parade June 20th, 2009. The letter was presented to Council as information only.

Evan Berger, MLA Letter of Support Water and Sanitary Sewer Distribution

Correspondence from Evan Berger, MLA Livingstone-Macleod extending support for the water infrastructure projects. Mayor Irwin indicated that a letter thanking Evan Berger for his support was required.

BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 774, 2009 – Land Use Amendment – Lots 9 (Part) & 10, Block 10, Plan 820L (2nd & 3rd Rdgs.)

M#3885-09: Councillor I. MacLeod moved Second Reading of Bylaw No. 774, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#3886-09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved Third Reading of Bylaw No. 774, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#3887-09: Councillor G. Taje moved that N. Kuftinoff not be charged for his rezoning application because of an oversight during the rezoning process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw No. 775, 2009 – Land Use Amendment – Lot 13, Block 12, Plan 820L (2nd & 3rd Rdgs.)

M#3888-09: Councillor D. Cole moved Second Reading of Bylaw No. 772, 2009

M#3889-09: Councillor D. Ward moved to table 2nd & 3rd Readings until information was available as to the historic site status of the property

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw No. 772, 2008 – Land Use Amendment – Gold Creek Dev-Frank

M#3890-09: Councillor I. MacLeod moved Second Reading of Bylaw No. 772, 2009.

CARRIED

BYLAWS (Cont'd)

M#3891-09: Councillor D. Ward moved Third Reading of Bylaw No. 772, 2009.

CARRIED

Bylaw No. 773, 2008 – Land Use Amendment – Gold Creek Area Structure Plan

M#3892-09 Councillor D. Cole moved Second Reading of Bylaw No. 773, 2009.

CARRIED

M#3893-09: Councillor I. MacLeod tabled Third Reading of Bylaw No. 773, 2009 after a debate to review holding tanks as part of the plan for sewage and a potential tax for maintenance of the road to the development property.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Mutual Aid Fire Control Plan

Council reviewed a report from Gordon O. Lundy on the Mutual Aid Fire Control Plan between the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass and Sustainable Resource Development, Forestry Division, Forest Protection Branch – recommending approval for an April 1st, 2009 implementation. The plan lays out a framework for mutual and cooperative fire control planning and identifies individual and shared areas of responsibility between the Municipality and the Division.

M#3894-09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved that Council approve the agreement with Sustainable Resource Development

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CNP Library Board Trustee– Approval of renewal of three year term for Patricia Korble and Cheryl Norman

M#3895-09: Councillor D. Ward moved to accept the recommendation to appoint Patricia Korble and Cheryl Norman to a term as trustees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS (Cont'd)

CNP Library Board Member– Approval of appointing Susan McCutcheon

M#3896-09: Councillor I. MacLeod moved that Council appoint Susan McCutcheon to the Library Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bellevue and District Agricultural Society – Letter of support for CIP grant for a tractor and accessories

M#3897-09: Councillor D. Cole moved that Council give a letter of support to the Bellevue and District Agricultural Society for a CIP grant for a tractor and accessories

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Sr. Rebate Program Motion

Councillor D. Ward reviewed changing the base year for the Seniors' Tax Rebate Program from 2006 to 2007.

M#3898-09: Councillor D. Ward moved to refer the recommendation for the change to the Seniors' Tax Rebate Program for review by the Community Development Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Utility Bill Notice

M#3899-09: Councillor D. Ward moved that Council suspend advertisement of utility bills, effective immediately.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS (Cont'd)

Local Advertising

Council debated the tendering process for advertising with the intent to advertise in one paper only, with the lowest tender winning the Municipality's advertising business. The original motion was amended to provide clarity on wording.

M#3900-09 Councillor L. Mitchell moved to table the amended motion

DEFEATED

M#3901-09: Councillor D. Ward moved that effective immediately local advertising of all municipal information as required by the Municipal Government Act of Alberta, Municipality of Crowsnest, its various organizations and agencies will be advertised in one newspaper only. To ensure that the Municipality receives the best deal for its dollars spent. The opportunity to provide this service will be offered to any business that provides newsprint coverage in the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass, with the intent to tender from now to the end of the year. In the following year the service will be tendered on a calendar year basis.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council members provided the following reports:

Councillor D. Ward: FCSS Meeting
Museum Meeting
Casino Fundraiser for the Women's Resource Center

Councillor J. Salus: Doors Open Heritage Committee
Heritage Signage Committee
Museum Board Meeting
Subdivision Appeal Hearing
Library AGM
Community Development Committee

Councillor D. Cole: Senior Housing (York Creek)
Subdivision Appeal Hearing
Senior Advisory Board Meeting

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS (Cont'd)

Councillor L. Mitchell: Castle Special Places
York Creek
Pincher Creek Presentation

Councillor G. Taje: Calgary Water Symposium

Councillor I. MacLeod: No report

Mayor J. Irwin: Mayor and Reeves Meeting
Concern over changes to Greyhound bus schedules – reduction from two east bound and two westbound buses daily from Crowsnest area to 1 east/1 west per day in the late evening only

M#3902-09: Councillor D. Cole moved that Council send a letter to Greyhound about the changes in the busing schedule and night busing and send a letter to the Minister of Transport about the cutbacks in bus servicing for the area

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC INPUT

Mrs. Gail Sygutek was in attendance and some of her concerns included:

- ▶ Staff qualifications
- ▶ Transparency of Council
- ▶ Contracting out of Municipal advertising
- ▶ Loss of Municipal facilities

IN CAMERA

M#3901-09: Councillor I. MacLeod moved that Council go in Camera at 8:45 pm. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS/RECONVENE

Mayor J. Irwin recessed the meeting at 8:30 pm and reconvened at 8:45 pm.

OUT OF CAMERA

M#3903-09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved that Council come Out of Camera at 9:35 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IN CAMERA

M#3904-09: Councillor G. Tajue moved that Council go In Camera at 9:40 pm. to discuss a legal matter

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OUT OF CAMERA

M#3905-09: Councillor I. MacLeod moved that Council come Out of Camera at 9:45 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

M#3906--09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved to adjourn at 9:46 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

JOHN IRWIN

MAYOR

GORDON O. LUNDY

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER