

MUNICIPALITY OF CROWSNEST PASS
TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2009 - 7:00 P.M.
AGENDA

A regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, July 21, 2009.

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

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

Also present:

Chief Administrative Officer:	Gordon O. Lundy
Director of Finance and Systems:	Marion Vanoni
Superintendent of Public Works	Ray Mahieuz
Director of Community Services	Cam Mertz
Confidential Secretary:	Lynne Cox

CALL TO ORDER

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

ADDITIONS:

IN CAMERA:

1. Land (G. Taje)

M#5026-09: Councillor D. Ward moved that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Regular Council Minutes of July 7, 2009

M#5027-09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Tuesday, July 7, 2009 be adopted as written.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

Carmellia Saretzky – Special Olympics

Ms. Carmellia Saretzky made a presentation to Council requesting a letter of support for a co-bid with the City of Lethbridge for the hosting of the 2012 Special Olympics National Winter Games

- ▶ The games are to be held over a week in February 2012 with exact dates to be determined once the bid is won
- ▶ The Crowsnest Pass would host the Alpine Skiing, Cross-Country Skiing and Snowshoeing events over a 4 day period
- ▶ Over 500 people, including athletes, coaches, judges and family members would be in the Crowsnest Pass during the four-day event
- ▶ There would be national and local television coverage of the games
- ▶ Volunteers would be needed to keep time for some of the events
- ▶ It would be a positive opportunity to showcase our community and the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass could provide funding in kind by helping with setup for the events

Mayor Irwin thanked Ms. Saretzky for her presentation

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS

Chief Administrative Officer

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

- ▶ Attendance at the July 2, Municipal Heritage Board founding meeting
- ▶ AUMA request for input from members on the recommendation of the Water Allocation Transfer System Upgrade Project
 - Water for Life strategy to provide safe, secure drinking water, healthy aquatic ecosystems and reliable quality water supplies for sustainability
 - 22 recommendations addressing
 - Protected water
 - Water allocation transfer market
 - Unused water for the market
 - Conserving water for the market
 - Applying for a transfer
 - Data and information platforms
- ▶ The 2008/09 Mountain Pine Beetle Program on private lands is now completed and administration is preparing final reports for submission to the provincial government
 - 974 green trees identified and controlled along with 941 identified

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS (Cont'd)

- ▶ July 14th meeting with the Oldman River Regional Services Commission and 140 elected and appointed officials from Southern Alberta, including most of the Crowsnest Pass Councillors
 - Discussed the Alberta Land Stewardship Act and Land Use Framework
 - Proposal for a position paper to be supported by a majority of municipality to make concerns known to their MLA

- ▶ Alberta Office of Traffic Safety
 - Responsible for coordinating, initiating and integrating regional and local community support for the Alberta Traffic Safety Plan

Director of Finance and Systems

Mrs. Marion Vanoni, Director of Finance, provided a verbal report on the following

- ▶ Organizational Review with George Cuff and Associates
 - Mr. Cuff and his team of two associates, Ken Hoffman and Roy Kemp will be at the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass conducting interviews on July 30, 31, and again in late August
 - Interviews will be held with the Mayor, Councillors, administration, employees of all departments, Fire Chiefs, and Chairpersons from Municipal Committees and Boards
 - Dinner & a Meet and Greet scheduled for 6:30 pm at Popiels on July 29, 2009

Superintendent of Public Works

Mr. Ray Mahieux reported on the following:

- ▶ Approval for Infrastructure Stimulus Funding for sewer repairs
 - Two in Bellevue (208th St and 24th Ave. between 209th Street and 210 Street)
 - Blairmore along 20th Ave.
 - Requirement for detailed design approval from Council for these projects
- ▶ Water Main Problems on 17th Avenue near 125 St
 - Two options reviewed in Operational Services Committee: loop line or continuation of the line with installed hydrant to the top of the hill
 - Loop line is the preferred option at a cost of \$138,282.38
 - Recommendation to apply for MSI for the funding and to put in a change order to the 2009 Infrastructure Project being done in Bellevue.
- ▶ Sand Box and Plow Tender
 - Tender for the Sand Hopper, Gravel Box and Snow Plow build and installation for the new truck went out on July 13, 2009-07-24 Pre-tender meeting held on July 15, 2009 at the Hillcrest Ship
 - Tender closing is 3:00 pm on July 29, 2009

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS (Cont'd)

- ▶ Pavement Tender
 - 2009 pavement tender was awarded to SAAL Paving
 - Patch repairs to start in September
- ▶ Winter Sand
 - Tendered last month to seven contractors with only one bid received
 - Awarded to Alberta Excavating with costs cheaper than in 2008 season
- ▶ Public works Crews
 - Infrastructure repairs and installations ongoing as well as summer calibration preparations
 - Crosswalk and curb painting near completion

Director of Community Services

Mr. Cam Mertz, Director of Community Services reviewed a written report with Council on the following:

- ▶ Successful hosting of the 2009 Southern Alberta Summer Games
 - Crowsnest Pass led the medal count with 84 Gold, 46 Silver, 34 Bronze for the first time in 40 years
 - Taber was second in the medal count, City of Lethbridge was third
- ▶ The outstanding volunteer, staff and coordinator support for all venues that contributed to the success of the Games

ORRSC Position Paper

M#5028-09: Councillor D. Ward moved that Council support the development of a position paper on the Land Use Framework by the Old Man Regional River Services Commission; to be used in future discussions with our MLA and the Provincial Government.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Water Main Problems on 17th Ave

M#5029-09: Councillor G. Taje moved that Council accept the recommendation to accept the loop line option to address the water main problems on 17th avenue at a cost of \$138, 282.38 with funding to come from the 2009 Infrastructure project funding.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS (Cont'd)

Detailed Design Projects

M#5030-09: Councillor I. McLeod moved that Council approve the detailed design projects for: 1A - at the west end of Blairmore along 20th Ave. down 21st Ave. to 113th St. and to cross under CP Rail to the Sewer Trunk Main; 11A - 208th St. from 23rd Ave. to the old hwy # 3; 20 – 24th Ave. between 209th St and 210th St.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Transfer of Ground Water

M#5031-09: Councillor G. Taje moved that Council does not support the use of water licenses as a commodity, or the transfer of ground water out of the basin, and is opposed to the designation of ground water to surface water.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACCEPT ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS

M#5032-09: Councillor G. Taje moved to accept the Administrative and Agency Reports as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXCUSED

Mr. Cam Mertz, Director of Community Services was excused from the meeting at 7:40

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Tabled motion to retain Crowsnest Pass Food Bank at its present location

Council reviewed the tabled motion from July 7th 2009 Council meeting

2. Crowsnest Food Bank use of Municipal lots in Blairmore

Council reviewed a letter from the Crowsnest Pass Food Bank Society requesting the donation or lease of Lot 2, Block 1 in Blairmore, informally know as the Blairmore Seniors Centre.

M#5033-09: Councillor D. Cole moved that Council support the Food Bank in their acquisition of the land on Lot 2, Block 1 in Blairmore for a nominal sum, if their application for grant funding to place an approved building on the property is successful; and with the caveat that if the land is acquired by the Food Bank, it will revert back to the Municipality should the Food Bank cease to use it, for the same nominal sum.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Pincher Creek Fair & Rodeo – August 15, 2009

Council reviewed the letter as information with Councillor Ian McLeod noting that Pincher Creek does not permit the throwing of candy from Parade Floats; something that should be reviewed by Council for future parades

2. Stephen Duckett, President and CEO - Alberta Health Services – New Organizational Structure

Council reviewed the letter as information

3. Canadian Union of Postal Workers – Report on Postal Services

Council reviewed the letter as information

4. Maureen Murray – Thank you from Pincher Creek Welcome Wagon

Council reviewed the letter as information

5. MacLean's Cities Report Card

Council reviewed the letter as information

CORRESPONDENCE (Con't)

6. Lethbridge Living Article – July-Aug 2009 – “Why We Love Crowsnest Pass”

Council reviewed the letter as information

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council reviewed the minutes of the following Committees as information:

1. Pincher Creek Regional Council Meeting – June 24, 2009
2. Municipal Heritage Board (unapproved minutes) – July 2, 2009
3. Corporate Services – June 30, 2009
4. Operational Services – July 13, 2009

OTHER BUSINESS

1. FortisAlberta Inc. Distribution Tariff Application

Council reviewed the proposed tariff application

M#5034-09: Councillor L.Mitchell moved that Council seek Intervener Status to appeal the FortisAlberta Inc. Tariff Application

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Public Anti-Harassment Policy

Council reviewed the proposed policy

M#5035-09: Councillor G. Taje moved that Council approve the Public Anti-Harassment Policy as written and direct administration to work on an educational campaign to ensure public understanding of this new policy

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS (Cont'd)

3. Operational Services

a. Spray Lake Sawmills Road Use Agreement

M#5036-09: Councillor G. Taje moved that given that Spray Lake Sawmills has a Road Use Agreement already in place that they use the existing Atlas Road for their annual log haul.

DEFEATED

b. Cleanup for 2010

The schedule for the 2010 cleanup was tabled to a future meeting.

c. Tecumseh Speed Limit

Council reviewed a recommendation from Operational Services to lower the speed limit in Tecumseh

M#5037-09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved to set and post the speed limit on all gravel portion of Tecumseh to 30 kilometres per hour

CARRIED

d. Detailed Design on the Sewer Line under Crowsnest River

Council dealt with this item under Administration and Agency Reports

4. Operational Services

M#5038-09: Councillor D. Ward moved that available Council provide a letter of support for the co-hosting of the 2012 Special Olympics National Winter Games

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXCUSED

Mr. Ray Mahieux, Superintendent of Public Works was excused from the meeting at 8:50 pm

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council members provided the following reports:

Councillor D. Ward:	Lethbridge Meeting Rum Runner Events
Councillor D. Cole:	Operational Services Lethbridge Meeting Rum Runner Events Mayor's Luncheon
Councillor L. Mitchell:	York Creek Alberta Summer Games Rum Runners Days Float Mayor's Luncheon Lethbridge Meeting
Councillor G. Taje :	In Camera report
Councillor I. MacLeod:	Lethbridge Meeting Rum Runner's Parade
Mayor J. Irwin	As above and the Southern Alberta Summer Games

IN CAMERA

M#5039-09: Councillor L. Mitchell moved that Council go In Camera at 8:55 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS/RECONVENE

Mayor Irwin called for a ten minute recess at 8:55 pm and reconvened at 9:05 pm.

OUT OF CAMERA

M#5040-09: Councillor D. Cole moved that Council come Out of Camera at 10:45 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#5041-09: Councillor G. Taje moved that Council allocate \$15,000, subject to government funding approval, to fund a feasibility study and implementation plan for the Coleman Collieries as presented with \$15,000 coming from the municipality with the money to be drawn from the marketing consortium budget, and \$10,000 coming from the owner.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

M#5042-09: Councillor D. Ward moved to adjourn at 10:48 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

JOHN IRWIN
MAYOR

GORDON O. LUNDY
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER