

MUNICIPALITY OF CROWSNEST PASS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2009

A regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, December 1, 2009.

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

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

Also present:

Chief Administrative Officer
Director of Finance and Systems
Community Services Director
Public Works Superintendent
Confidential Secretary

Gordon O. Lundy
Marion Vanoni
Cam Mertz
Ray Mahieux
Lynne Cox

CALL TO ORDER

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

ADDITIONS:

In Camera
2. Personnel (2)

Other Business
12. Crowsnest Centre Request for Decision (From In Camera)
13. Crowsnest Centre Request for Decision (From In Camera)
14. Budget Meeting Date

CHANGE:

In Camera
Crowsnest Center Request for Decision (2) – Add to Other Business

M#5207-09: Councillor Mitchell moved that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M#5208-09: Councillor Cole moved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Tuesday, November 24, 2009 be adopted as written.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

No delegations were present.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS

Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Gordon O. Lundy, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a written report and reviewed same with Council. Said report will be maintained on file and contained information on the following:

- ▶ Sentinel Water License Appeal
 - The Solicitor for Alberta Environment stated during closing arguments that it is the opinion of the appointed officials of Alberta Environment that all water including groundwater or water below the surface should be classified as reserve water and not eligible for licensing with the South Saskatchewan Water Basin
 - Suggested lobbying the Provincial members of the Legislative Assembly to more specifically instruct the officials of Alberta Environment that groundwater naturally not readily flowing and connected to surface water be excluded from the South Saskatchewan Water Moratorium
- ▶ Senior Housing Meeting on December 8, 2009 in Fort MacLeod with Mr. Evan Berger and Honourable Minister Jablonski
- ▶ Centre of Excellence
- ▶ Residential Flooding Issue
 - Administration will notify the resident involved of the date and time to appear for the meeting

M#5209-09: Councillor Ward moved that letters be written to the M.D. of Ranchlands and the M.D. of Pincher Creek requesting lobbying assistance regarding the South Saskatchewan Water Basin.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No Business Arising from the Minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Darrell Camplin – New Deal for Cities and Communities Funding

Correspondence was received from Darrell Camplin P.Eng., Regional Director of Alberta Transportation, advising that the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$344,082.00 under the 2009 New Deal for Cities and Communities.

M#5210-09: Councillor Taje moved to forward a Letter of Thanks to Darrell Camplin of Alberta Transportation for the 2009 New Deal for Cities and Communities Grant.

CARRIED

Mayor Darren Aldous – AUMA

Correspondence was received from Mayor Darren Aldous, AUMA President, encouraging Council to provide feedback not only at the convention, but also throughout the year and to continue to take part in the Mayors' Caucuses in 2010. Input, comments, and concerns are requested well in advance of the Mayors' Caucuses and can be provided by preparing an RFD, or contacting the AUMA and requesting that the staff research a particular issue or challenge.

Received as information.

Bev Bellamy – Oldman Watershed Community Workshops

Correspondence was received advising of a series of Community Workshops on the Oldman Watershed Council Integrated Watershed Management Plan.

Councillor Mitchell plans to attend.

Councillor Taje may attend.

Chinook Educational Consortium transition to Lethbridge College Invitation

An invitation was received to a Transition Celebration marking the integration of the Chinook Educational Consortium operations into the Lethbridge College on Monday, December 14, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Heritage Inn in Pincher Creek.

Councillor Mitchell plans to attend.

Crowsnest Pass Senior Housing – Grant Funding

Correspondence was received from Mr. Nestor Chorney, Chairperson of the Board of Directors of Crowsnest Pass Senior Housing, requesting 2010 grant funding of \$184,543.00 for the York Creek Lodge.

Administration confirmed this request is included in the 2010 Budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Crowsnest Centre Retreat – November 8, 2009

The minutes of the November 8, 2009 Crowsnest Centre Retreat were provided for Council's review. The minutes were received as information and will be maintained on file.

Councillor Mitchell questioned on Page 2 "...the plebiscite indicated that the public wanted the Old Hospital portion torn down."

Administration advised these were notes from the meeting, not minutes, and a number of concepts were discussed and noted.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor Taje – Acquisition of Sustainable Resource Development Lands

M#5211-09: Councillor Taje moved that the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass develop a policy satisfying the Minister of Sustainable Resource Development's requirement that wealth generated by the development of the property north of Pineview be used to protect important wildlife habitat and corridors west of Coleman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was suggested the Acquisition of Sustainable Resource Development Lands item could be discussed at the December 8, 2009 Committee of the Whole of Council Meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Naval Reserve Namesake Presentation by the Canadian Navy

Correspondence was received from the Naval Reserve Headquarters of the National Defense Department advising they will be acknowledging communities whose names have been shared with Canadian warships and submarines since 1910 as part of their 100th anniversary celebrations in 2010. They would like to make a presentation to the Mayor to commemorate the warship HMCS Blairmore and have requested input from Council as to a date, time, and type of event they would like to mark the occasion. Council's consensus was to refer the request to the Blairmore Legion for their input.

Strategic Plan Request for Proposal

M#5212-09: Councillor Cole moved to proceed with contracting with Russell Farmer and Associates Consulting Ltd. to carry out the Strategic Planning process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS - Continued

South Saskatchewan Regional Plan Meeting

South Saskatchewan Regional Plan/Municipal Stakeholder Information and Input Sessions will be held from November 30, 2009 to December 10, 2009 in southern Alberta locations.

Councillors Ward, Mitchell, Cole and Salus plan to attend.

Council requested administration to notify the Municipal Planning Board and Appeal Board of the Sessions.

Appointment of the Assessment Review Board

M#5213-09: Councillor Ward moved that Councillor Larry Mitchell be appointed to the Assessment Review Board as an alternate member.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillors Cole and Salus plan to attend the Assessment Review Board training course scheduled for March 18 to 19, 2009.

Board Appointments

M#5214-09: Councillor Cole moved to appoint Susan Wagner for a three year term and Garry Dawydiuk for a three year term to the Subdivision and Development Authority Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#5215-09: Councillor Mitchell moved to appoint Ruth Smith for a three year term and Lynne Hammond for a three year term on the Police Advisory Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#5216-09: Councillor Ward moved to reappoint Andy Vanderplas for a three year term to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#5217-09: Councillor Ward moved to appoint Lynnette Jessop for a three year term to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council recommended administration forward a letter to George Hoft.

OTHER BUSINESS - Continued

Extension of Easy Living Unlimited Development Agreement

M#5218-09: Councillor Taje moved to extend the Easy Living Unlimited Development Agreement to October 30, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Contract Renewal for Wire Services from Enmax

M#5219-09: Councillor Ward moved to approve the renewal contract for Wires Services from Enmax Power Corporation for the five year period commencing on January 1, 2011 until December 31, 2015.

CARRIED

Code of Conduct Regulation-Electric Utilities Act Quarterly Compliance Reports

M#5220-09: Councillor Ward moved to accept the Quarterly Settlement System Code Compliance Report for the third quarter ending September 30, 2009 as required by the Code of Conduct Regulation-AR 160/2003.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Proposal for Legal Services

M#5221-09: Councillor Ward moved to accept the Proposal for Legal Services presented by Douglas G. Young Professional Corporation commencing January 1, 2010 and terminating December 31, 2012.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Zanger Subdivision Time Extension

M#5222-09: Councillor Cole moved to grant the requested five month extension on the Zanger Subdivision.

WITHDRAWN

M#5223-09: Councillor Taje moved to grant the requested five month extension for the Zanger Subdivision to March 23, 2010 for this one time.

CARRIED

Council recommended notifying Mr. Baker regarding the expiry date.

OTHER BUSINESS - Continued

Archer Subdivision Time Extension

M#5224-09: Councillor Taje moved to grant the requested five month extension for the Archer Subdivision to February 25, 2010 for this one time.

CARRIED

Council recommended notifying Mr. Baker regarding the expiry date.

Crowsnest Centre Request for Decision

Administration recommended a mutual agreement be developed to reach a conclusion.

Councillor Cole suggested:

- An agreement stating not to sell anything until meeting with Council
- Municipality should have first option on items to be sold
- Would like to see invoices for purchases of items

Administration noted they will request full disclosure from the Crowsnest Center Society on any activities taking place within the Crowsnest Centre to protect the Municipality from future liabilities that may occur.

M#5225-09: Councillor Mitchell moved that the Municipality consult with the Crowsnest Centre Society and mutually come to an understanding as to what items on the inventory could stay in an effort to support continuation of services until December 31, 2009 and/or until the end of calendared events in 2010.

CARRIED

The Community Services Director updated Council on site inspections on mechanical items, access, and security at the Crowsnest Center.

Crowsnest Center Request for Decision

M#5226-09: Councillor Cole moved to pay the outstanding Telus bill for the Crowsnest Centre, and once this phone bill is paid, to discontinue all land lines for the Crowsnest Centre Society with the exception of the 1-403-562-7314 line that will be call forwarded to the Municipal Office.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS - Crowsnest Center Request for Decision - Continued

M#5227-09: Councillor Cole moved to request administration staff attend the meeting to be held with the Crowsnest Centre Society to provide their expertise on each portion of the plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Budget Meeting Dates

M#5228-09: Councillor Cole moved that Council pass the 2010 Operational Budget by December 31, 2009, and budget meeting dates be scheduled for December 8, 2009 and December 9, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council members provided the following reports:

Councillor Taje

- No Report

Councillor Mitchell

- Municipal Christmas Party
- Budget Meetings
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Councillor Cole

- Landfill Meeting
- Municipal Christmas Party
- Budget Meetings

Councillor Salus

- Vacation

Councillor MacLeod

- Appeal Board Meeting
- Landfill Meeting
- Budget Meetings

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS - Continued

Councillor Ward

- Ski Hill Meeting
- Landfill Meeting
- Subdivision Board
- Budget Meetings
- Christmas Party

Mayor Irwin

- Attended same events as Councillors except Christmas Party
- Meeting with Ministers regarding Fort MacLeod Police College

BYLAWS

Bylaw 785 – Amend Land Use Bylaw 632, 2004

M#5229-09: Councillor Taje moved First Reading of Bylaw No. 785, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC INPUT

No public input was provided.

IN CAMERA

M#5230-09: Councillor Mitchell moved that Council go In Camera at 8:50 pm. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS/RECONVENE

Mayor Irwin declared a ten minute recess.

OUT OF CAMERA

M#5231-09: Councillor Mitchell moved that Council come Out of Camera at 9:27 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#5232-09: Councillor Cole moved that Councillor Larry Mitchell sit on the Assessment Review Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M#5233-09: Councillor Cole moved to appoint Councillor MacLeod on the Assessment Review Board as an alternate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

M#5234-09: Councillor MacLeod moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

JOHN IRWIN
MAYOR

GORDON O. LUNDY
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Minutes edited and approved by LYNNE COX

Lynne Cox, Confidential Secretary