

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD
JANUARY 25, 2005 IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Bob Bagozzi in the chair

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Cou. Ken Loose
Cou. Duane Barrus
Cou. Glen Jones

Cou. Mike De Vuyst
Cou. Leroy Walker
Cou. Gerry Selk

OTHERS PRESENT

Gregory D. Burt
Noell Smith
Paul Doig
Thelma Milne
John Milne
Mike de Winter
Paul Vickers
Tom Olsen (6:09 p.m.)
Jeff Melchior (6:08 p.m.)
Marian Carlson (6:20 p.m.)
Jason Comin (7:20 p.m.)
Darren Beazer (7:42 p.m.)
Dick Wilde (7:42 p.m.)
Mitch Schneider (7:42 p.m.)
Ivan Negrych (9:23 p.m.)

Municipal Administrator
Municipal Clerk
Director of Administration
Citizen
Citizen
Citizen
Chamber of Commerce
Citizen
The Star
Development Officer
Citizen
Plant Foreman
Shop Foreman
Municipal Finance Officer
Citizen

Opening Time: 6:00 p.m.
Opening Prayer: Cou. Glen Jones

DELEGATIONS

6:10 p.m.
Rita Scotter

Tom Olsen met with Council representing Rita Scotter, as she could not be present. This is following unsightly premise notice she had received. Mr. Olsen advised that many of the items have been removed from her yard, and that she would like the property inspected again and advice given as to what items are not in compliance. He reported that Rita had not received the first letter sent out on this.

Excused at 6:20 p.m.

6:25 p.m.
Roy Pilling

Roy Pilling did not show to the appointment regarding unsightly premise.

6:35 pm.
Bob Blackmore

Bob Blackmore met with Council, regarding his unsightly premise notice, to advise that he did not receive the first letter and since the second letter has been received (January 4, 2005), he has set about to straighten some of the items. He advised that he would like to set up a barrier to screen his property from his neighbor to the east.

Excused at 6:20 p.m.

6:30 pm
Mike de Winter &
Blood Tribe Police

Mike de Winter met with Council to discuss the problems of gangs on the Blood Reserve and in Cardston. Cst. Lisa Trotter, Blood Tribe Police, reported on recent homicides on the Blood Reserve and the gang activity on the Blood Reserve and in Cardston. She advised that they are sharing information with the Cardston RCMP and the City of Lethbridge Police Force. She recommended that as soon as graffiti appears, the Town or the landowner should have it removed, as this will discourage further incidents. She advised that Chief & Council are setting up a task force to identify the gangs, their colors, activities etc. Elder Gilbert Eagle Bear met with Council, advising that he has worked in the correctional system for 15 years and was introduced to native gang activity 9 years ago, the majority have been federal inmates, using younger kids to do their work for them. He reported that this activity is here in this area bringing drugs, such as cocaine into the area.

Mayor Bagozzi advised that he and Council would like to work with the Blood Tribe Police and the Council for the betterment of both communities. Council also advised that they would like to be involved in the task force, which the Blood Tribe is setting up.

Mike de Winter, Elder Eagle Bear and Cst. Trotter were excused at 7:02 p.m.

7:03 pm
Cst. Rick
Dewsberry
R.C.M.P.

Cst. Rick Dewsberry met with Council to give the 4th Quarter Policing Report. He advised of the increase in crime activity with the warmer weather and the vagrancy problems. He commended the Town Council on their Native Liaison program and the success of the program. He also reported on their knowledge of gang-related activity that was previously discussed.

Cst. Dewsberry was excused at 7:17 p.m.

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7:15 pm Paul Vickers, President Cardston & District Chamber of Commerce met with Council to present the Chamber's proposed events for the 2005 year and ongoing years and requested an additional \$6,500 from Council to assist with these events. He presented the Chamber's 5-year plan, with a breakdown of funding requests to Council.

Paul Vickers,
President
Cardston &
District Chamber
of Commerce

Jason Comin excused at 7:28 p.m.
Paul Vickers excused at 7:39 p.m.
Jeff Melchior excused at 7:40 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No additions

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cou. Selk moved to adopt the agenda. UNAN.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cou. Jones moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held December 14, 2004, the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held December 14, 2004, and the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held January 11, 2005. UNAN.

BUSINESS ARISING

Cemetery Fee Increases Cou. Walker asked about the fees for the Cardston cemetery, and the fee increases over the last year, placing the Town's rates substantially above the fees for the surrounding communities.

Turned to Committee for further study.

REQUEST FOR DECISIONS

05-01 Respond to Mike de Winter Cou. Jones moved to respond to Mike de Winter that the Town of Cardston has turned this issue to the Town of Cardston's insurance company and the Town is bound by the insurance company's direction. UNAN.

05-02 Bylaw Enforcement Delivery Through Emergency Services Cou. Selk moved that the Town of Cardston continue working with the same delivery model, through Emergency Services, for Bylaw Enforcement. CARRIED

05-03 Use of Reserve Funds for Future Vehicle Purchases Cou. Jones moved to use the remaining reserve vehicle funds for future vehicle purchases. UNAN

05-04 Monies from Disposal of Vehicles to Reserve Cou. Selk moved that any monies made from the disposal of vehicles be put into this reserve fund for future vehicle purchases. UNAN.

05-05 Meeting Times for March 2005 & Ptn of Motion 04-150 be Rescinded Mayor Bagozzi moved that the Administration Committee meeting will be held March 1, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. and the Operations Committee meeting will be held March 8, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. and that a portion of motion 04-150 dealing with the March 8, 2005 meeting be rescinded. UNAN.

By-law #1523 A A By-law to amend By-law #1523 the Cardston Lee Creek Golf Course Board By-law.

Cou. Jones moved First reading of By-law #1523 A. UNAN.

Cou. Selk moved 2nd Reading of By-law #1523 A. UNAN.

Cou. De Vuyst moved to allow 3rd Reading of By-law #1523 A. UNAN.

Cou. Selk moved 3rd Reading of By-law #1523 A. UNAN.

By-law #1516 A A By-law to amend By-law #1516 to provide for distribution of Electricity and to be called the Distribution Access Tariff By-law.

Cou Barrus moved First Reading of By-law #1516 A. UNAN.

Cou. Jones moved 2nd Reading of By-law 1516 A. UNAN.

Cou. Selk moved to allow 3rd Reading of By-law #1516 A. UNAN.

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Council Retreat Minutes & Conclusions	Review of Minutes of the Council Retreat and the summary of conclusions.																				
Unightly Premises	<p>Mayor reviewed the unsightly premises complaints and letters that went out and suggested that the Town suspend any further prosecution of these locations between now and the end of May and direct the administration to have a look at other properties in town which are unsightly premises and have the By-law Officer go around and look at properties and give notices as needed. Council suggested that if assistance is needed in the clean up of these properties that they notify the Town and this be coordinated with the Town's clean up week. Administrator is directed to provide a definition for unsightly premises.</p> <p>Cou. Barrus suggested that if the registered mail is not picked up within seven days, that the By-law Officer hand deliver the notices to the residence.</p>																				
Budget Discussion	<p>Budget for 2005 was reviewed and summary of possible items to remove from the budget.</p> <p>Mayor proposed that the Chamber look at using funding from the Town to carry out activities for the July 1st Party in the Park and adding that to the Chamber's scheduled events.</p> <p>Council requested that the Library Board give the Town a line item report for 2004 expenses and a line item report for 2005 expenses and an explanation of any increases.</p> <p>Council requested that Administration discuss the County's budgeted amount for the Alberta 2005 celebration, to determine if there is an amount the Town will need to match as previously discussed.</p>																				
Meeting Extension	Cou. Jones moved to extend meeting to 10:00 p.m. UNAN.																				
Budget Acceptance 05-06	<p>Cou. De Vuyst moved that the Town accept this budget with the following changes:</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Council Travel & Per Diem Expense increase</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Parade Expense increase</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$2,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Reserve for By-law vehicle decrease</td> <td style="text-align: right;">(\$2,000)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Centennial 2005 celebration decrease</td> <td style="text-align: right;">(\$5,000)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">July 1st Party in the Park decrease</td> <td style="text-align: right;">(\$4,000)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Funding the Chamber Program (as requested) add</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$6,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Marketing retention, development add</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$15,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Revitalization and beautification of the downtown core add</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Opportunities Initiative decrease</td> <td style="text-align: right;">(\$2,500)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$30,000</td> </tr> </table>	Council Travel & Per Diem Expense increase	\$10,000	Parade Expense increase	\$2,000	Reserve for By-law vehicle decrease	(\$2,000)	Centennial 2005 celebration decrease	(\$5,000)	July 1 st Party in the Park decrease	(\$4,000)	Funding the Chamber Program (as requested) add	\$6,500	Marketing retention, development add	\$15,000	Revitalization and beautification of the downtown core add	\$10,000	Opportunities Initiative decrease	(\$2,500)	Total	\$30,000
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Table Motion 05-06 05-07	Cou. Walker moved to table the above motion to Wednesday, February 16 th from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. UNAN.																				
Financial Statement	Cou. De Vuyst moved to accept the November 30, 2004 and December 31, 2004 Financial Statements. UNAN.																				
Southgrow Website Launch	Mayor advised of a Southgrow meeting discussing the Website Launch on January 28, 2005.																				
Summary of Meeting with Rob Renner, Minister of Municipal Affairs	Mayor advised that there is a summary of a meeting with Rob Renner, Minister of Municipal Affairs with the agenda.																				
Summary of meeting with ENMAX on Wind Farm in Taber Area	Mayor advised of a meeting he attended in Taber with ENMAX regarding a Wind Farm in the Taber area and notes from that meeting are attached to the agenda.																				
CORRESPONDENCE																					
Minister of Municipal Affairs	<p>A letter from Rob Renner, Alberta Minister of Municipal Affairs informing Councils of the funding initiatives for emergency training, for both Emergency Management Training and Emergency Management Ground Search and Rescue Training.</p> <p>Administrator advised that this information has been handed on to Emergency Services, also.</p>																				
Alberta Recycling Management Authority	<p>A letter from Alberta Recycling Management Authority regarding the Alberta's new electronics recycling (E-waste) Program, advising of the collection program currently being implemented and the environmental fee which will be assessed on the purchase of new electronic equipment as of February 1, 2005.</p> <p>Ken Loose reported that e-waste has been discussed in the Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority meetings, and at present the interest is not there due to the costs and labor involved to recycle this type of waste.</p>																				

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Cardboard Recycling	Cou. Barrus requested that a letter be sent to the downtown businesses requesting that they use the cardboard bins provided and recycle their cardboard and not dispose of it with the regular garbage.
Rick Casson MP	A letter from Rick Casson, MP Lethbridge Constituency regarding Private Members Bill #C-273: an act to amend the Income Tax Act regarding Volunteer Emergency Responders, asking for the Town's support. A copy of this letter should be forwarded to Emergency Services.
Viola Eby	A letter from Viola Eby, citizen asking Council to consider sanding walkways between the Temple City Villa and the Temple and Temple Street Chapel to make it safer for the residents. Letter turned to Public Works.
RCMP "K" Division	A memo from Lawren Scott, RCMP "K" Division asking to set up a meeting in Pincher Creek, with NCO and Municipal representatives (Mayor, Administrator) from Cardston, Claresholm, Fort Macleod, Pincher Creek and Raymond regarding the transition from their individual Municipal Police Services to Provincial Police Service as of April 1, 2005. The Mayor and Administrator will attend.
Adjournment	Cou. Walker moved to adjourn Adjournment 10:26pm UNAN.

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Mayor

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Municipal Administrator