



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON July 9, 2012.

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS: Bernard Gibeau
Doug Barlow
Darrell McCoomb
Kyle Marks
Ric Beddows

ABSENT: Mayor Tom Rose (with notification)
Ed Maurer (with notification)

STAFF: Sabine Nasse, C.A.O.
Wanda Lepp, Administrative Assistant
Recording Secretary

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Citizens (5)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Ric Beddows called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

2. AGENDA

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Agenda

Moved by **COUNCILLOR BARLOW** that the agenda be adopted as amended:

Add: 5.8 Rural Fire Association - Agreement
5.9 Tax Bylaw
5.10 Campground Maintenance

MOTION CARRIED

3. MINUTES

Minutes from the regular Council Meeting June 25, 2012 are tabled until next meeting.

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Sarai Sonnenberg, Pool Manager – Department Report

Miss Sonnenberg provided a written department report on activities taking place at the outdoor pool. Several new programs have been implemented and swimming lessons are well attended. There were 1630 visitors registered as of July 8, 2012. Deputy Mayor Beddows thanked Miss Sonnenberg for her report; she departed at 7:10 p.m.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Letter from Concerned Citizen – Public Warning System

A letter was directed to Councillor Gibeau, Director of Emergency Management, by Ruth Erhardt questioning how the Town would warn residents of a Tornado. A discussion followed. Administration was directed to investigate if the two sirens at the arena and fire hall are still functional and provide a report at the next meeting.

5.2 Alberta Justice and Solicitor General – Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Branch – DOT Officer Jurisdiction

Clarification was provided to Council by the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Branch on their area of jurisdiction. DOT Officers have jurisdiction throughout the Province of Alberta.

5.3 County of Newell – Long Term Land Use Planning on County/Bassano Joint Boundary

The County of Newell is inquiring if the Town of Bassano is interested in the development of a joint Intermunicipal Development Plan for their joint boundary area. Council requested that Administration obtain more detailed information about the project as well as a cost estimate from the County of Newell.

5.4 Community Peace Officer – To Do List

At the meeting on May 28th, 2012 Council discussed the pruning of trees, shrubs and hedges on streets and alleys. A notice was placed in the Bassano Times and in the Town's Newsletter. A small amount of residents followed Councils' request. Therefore a list was started and forwarded to the Community Peace Officer. A copy of the present list was distributed to

Council. Questions were raised on how the list was compiled and how residents were contacted.

5.5 Letter of Concerned Citizen Ken Riley – Taxes/Franchise Fees

Council received several letters regarding various topics from Mr. Riley. Council was concerned about the incorrect information that was provided regarding tax increases and franchise fees in the Town of Bassano. This particular letter was also published as a “letter to the editor” in the Brooks Bulletin.

5.6 Letter from DarVal Holdings – Construction of Office

This application will be deferred to the Municipal Planning Commission. Next MPC meeting will be held on July 23, 2012. A survey plan is required to proceed with the application. Administration will contact DarVal Holdings.

5.7 Ching General Construction Ltd. – Property at 418 1st Avenue

Upon Council’s request Mr. Ching was contacted by the Community Peace Officer regarding his property at 418 1st Avenue. A discussion followed concerning the approach that was taken to contact Mr. Ching. Administration was directed to send a letter to Mr. Ching stating the Unsightly Bylaw concerns on his property.

Council requested a meeting with the Peace Officer.

5.8 Rural Fire Association – Agreement

Councillor Barlow reported that the Rural Fire Department will propose a new agreement in the near future.

5.9 Tax Bylaw

Several questions were raised regarding the 2012 Tax Bylaw. Administration will provide information at the next Council meeting.

5.10 Campground Maintenance

Councillor McCoomb inquired if the mowing schedule for the Campground could be moved to Thursday’s so that the area looks welcoming for weekend campers. Administration will forward the request to the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department.

6. Board/Committee Reports

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Board/
Committee
Reports

Moved by **COUNCILLOR MCCOOMB** that the Board/Committee Reports be accepted as information.

MOTION CARRIED

7. Chief Administrative Officer Reports

The C.A.O. reports were reviewed and questions were answered.

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C.A.O.
Reports

Moved by **COUNCILLOR MARKS** that the C.A.O. reports be accepted as information.

MOTION CARRIED

8. FINANCIAL REPORTS

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Cheque
Listing

Moved by **COUNCILLOR GIBEAU** that the cheque listing for July 9, 2012 be accepted as information.

MOTION CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE

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| 9.1 | Alberta Parks & Recreation | 2015 Alberta 55 Plus Summer Games |
| 9.2 | BSEI | 35 th Anniversary |
| 9.3 | Alberta Recycling | Thank You Letter |

Councillor Beddows called a recess at 8:40 p.m. and Council reconvened at 8:49 p.m.

10. IN CAMERA

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In Camera

Moved by **COUNCILLOR MCCOOMB** that Council move into camera at 8:50 p.m. to discuss:

- 10.1 Land/Legal Issues

MOTION CARRIED

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Out of Camera

Moved by **COUNCILLOR BARLOW** that Council move out of camera at 8:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Beddows adjourned the regular Council meeting of July 9, 2012 at 8:56 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer