



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON March 11, 2013.**

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**PRESENT**

**MAYOR:** Tom Rose  
**COUNCILLORS:** Kyle Marks  
Ed Maurer  
Ric Beddows  
Bernard Gibeau  
Doug Barlow

**STAFF:** Sabine Nasse, CAO  
Stephanie Stokes, Administrative Assistant  
Recording Secretary

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Citizens (7)

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tom Rose called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**2. AGENDA**

**52/13**  
Agenda

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

Add 5.10 Storm Sewer

**MOTION CARRIED**

**3. MINUTES**

**53/13**  
Minutes

Moved by **COUNCILLOR BARLOW** that Council approve the minutes from the regular Council meeting of February 25, 2013 as corrected.

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **4. DELEGATION**

##### **4.1 Mel Kunka, Bassano Mobile Home Park**

Mr. Kunka provided Council with a written request regarding utility invoices for the former laundry mat building located in the Bassano Mobile Home Park. Council requested clarification from Mr. Kunka on several items. Mayor Rose thanked Mr. Kunka for attending the meeting. He remained in the audience until 8:00 pm.

Additional information was requested by Council from Administration. This matter will be considered at a later Council Meeting.

##### **4.2 Delegation Request – RCMP Introduction of new Member**

Request approved for regular Council meeting on March 25, 2013.

#### **5. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **5.1 AUMA – Municipal Government Act (MGA) Review**

The AUMA is assisting Municipal Affairs in the review process of the Municipal Government Act. Zone meetings are scheduled for March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The AUMA provided templates to each Council to record municipality's suggestions on required changes to the MGA. A discussion followed. After a discussion Council decided not to participate in the review process.

##### **5.2 County of Newell – Increase in Recreation Funding Approved**

The County of Newell advised Tracy Hall, Chair Division 6 Recreation Board that the increase in recreation funding, requested by the Town of Bassano was approved by the County Council. For information only.

##### **5.3 2013 Bassano Family Community Support Service Budget**

Moved by **COUNCILLOR BEDDOWS** that Council approve the 2013 Bassano Family Community Support Service Budget as presented by the FCSS Board.

**5.4 Newell Foundation – Request for Letter of Support**

The Newell Foundation is requesting a letter of support be sent to Doug Griffiths, Minister Municipal Affairs from Council in support of Management Bodies being able to access funds from Alberta Capital Finance Authority. The Newell Foundation believes that the Continuing Care Centre would be an excellent pilot project for an alternative Capital Funding Project to utilize Provincial funds in a non-traditional way to meet the needs of our aging population and their families with the construction of a new Seniors Housing facility/complex which is inclusive of partnering with Alberta Health Services to replace the existing Hospital in the Town of Bassano.

Council agreed to provide the requested letter of support.

**5.5 Newell Expo – Village of Tilley honouring the Town of Bassano**

The Village of Tilley will be honouring the Town of Bassano on April 12, 2013 at the Tilley Community Hall. Mayor Rose encouraged Council to attend the celebration. Tickets are available for this event at the Town Office.

**5.6 Alberta Health Services – EMS Rental Agreement Renewal**

The current EMS Rental Agreement with Alberta Health Services will expire on March 31, 2013. A request was received from Alberta Health Services to extend the agreement by 1 year.

**55/13**  
EMS Rental  
Agreement

Moved by **COUNCILLOR BEDDOWS** that Council increase the lease payments from \$1400.00 to \$1,540.00 per month effective April 1, 2013 for a one (1) year lease.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5.7 County of Newell Division 6 Recreation Funding Application**

**56/13**  
Recreation  
Funding  
Application

Moved by **COUNCILLOR GIBEAU** that the Town of Bassano apply to the County of Newell Division 6 Recreation Board for the funding to replace the flooring (tiled areas) in the Joint Use Facility.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **5.8 Health Quality Council of Alberta Report on EMS**

The Health Council of Alberta report "Review of the Operations of Ground Emergency Medical Services in Alberta" has been received by the Government and released for public information. The Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs was asked by Minister Griffith to lead the development of a detailed plan over the next six months working closely with 911 call centre, volunteer fire departments, municipalities, the Office of the Fire Commissioner, the Alberta Emergency Management Agency, and other Ministries and Agencies with a role in emergency response.. Details can be found at [www.health.alberta.ca/services/hqca.html](http://www.health.alberta.ca/services/hqca.html).

A discussion followed regarding dispatch of the Fire Department on EMS calls. Further discussion about this topic will be held at the next Council meeting.

### **5.9 County of Newell - Invitation to participate in Fire and Emergency Services Information Gathering Process**

An invitation has been extended to Council, Fire Department Members, Bassano & Rural Area Fire Committee and the Bassano Rural Fire Protection Association to participate in a Fire and Emergency Services Information Gathering Process at the Bassano Community Hall on Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Rose, Councillors Barlow, Beddows, Marks and Gibeau will attend the meeting.

### **5.10 Storm Sewers**

Councillor Gibeau expressed concerns about two (2) storm sewers at the Bassano Homecoming Campground that possible need to be repaired. The Public Works Department will provide Council with an investigation report when completed.

## **6. BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Rose – verbal/written report was provided:

- Oldman River Regional Services Commission

Councillor Barlow - verbal/written report was provided:

- The Bassano and Rural Fire Area Committee
- The Bassano Fire Department – Regular Meeting

Councillor Maurer – verbal report was provided:  
➤ Newell Regional Solid Waste Management Authority

Councillor Marks – verbal/written report was provided  
➤ Community Futures – February and March Meeting

Councillor Gibeau – verbal report was provided:  
➤ Newell Regional Services Corporation

Councillor Beddows – verbal/written report was provided  
➤ Newell Foundation  
➤ Bassano FCSS

**57/13**  
Board/  
Committee  
Reports

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **7. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT**

**58/13**  
CAO  
reports

Moved by **COUNCILLOR BEDDOWS** that the CAO reports be accepted as information.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **8. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**59/13**  
Cheque  
listing

Moved by **COUNCILLOR MAURER** that the cheque listing for March 11, 2013 be accepted as information.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**60/13**  
Financial  
Statement

Moved by **COUNCILLOR** by that the Financial Statement ending February 28, 2013 as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED**

*A recess was called by Councillor Beddows at 8:31 p.m. Council reconvened at 8:39 p.m.*

**9. CORRESPONSENCE**

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| <b>9.1</b> | ATCO                        | Implementation of Automated Meter Reading in Bassano |
| <b>9.2</b> | 511/Alberta                 | Alberta's Official Road Reports                      |
| <b>9.3</b> | County of Newell            | Community Peace Officer February Report              |
| <b>9.4</b> | Eastern Irrigation District | 2013 Water Conveyance Agreement                      |

**10. IN CAMERA**

**61/13**  
In Camera

Moved by **COUNCILLOR MARKS** that Council move into camera at 8:40 p.m. to discuss:

**10.1** Land/Legal Issues

**MOTION CARRIED**

**62/13**  
Out of  
Camera

Moved by **COUNCILLOR GIBEAU** that Council move out of camera at 9:23 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Rose adjourned the regular Council meeting of March 11, 2013 at 9:23 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer