

Blisdes Alberta.
October 26, 1950.

A special meeting of the Council of the Village of Blisdes was held in the mayor's office, Louis Garage on Thursday, October 26th commencing at 8:00 P.M. Councillors in attendance were Mayor L. L. Schmalz & Adam Velber. Merchants in attendance were Matt Hage, W.J. Larivie, Jack Decarie & William Derns. In attendance also were Supervisor of Public Works & Commissioner of Buildings Matt Schmalz & J.W. Schmalz, Executor of Andrew Schmalz Estate,

The purpose of the Merchants meeting with the Council was in connection with our Early Closing By-Law. The Secy-Treasurer had prepared a file on this subject from letters & copies of By-Laws received from various towns & villages throughout the Province. Most of these letters & By-Laws were not specific, leaving the opening of businesses almost entirely up to the merchants themselves. However, the Early-closing Act did state that shops could not close any earlier than 6:00 P.M. & on any one day throughout the week not any earlier than 12:00 noon. After some discussion on the part of the merchants represented, they decided to give the following a trial from the 1st day of November to the 31st day of March: the opening hour throughout the week to be 9:00 A.M., the closing hour to be 6:00 P.M. on each day except ^{Saturday and} Wednesday when the closing hour would be 12:00 noon. Of course the stores would remain closed all day on Sunday & proclaimed Dominion holidays. The Council was in favor as to the 12:00 o'clock noon closing on Wednesday throughout the year, but were reluctant to any further changes to our present By-Law, until a fair trial was made. The merchants were to advise the Council at some late date as to how the public reacted to the new hours of business before any amendments were to be made to the present By-Law.

Arrangements had been made whereby the Wheatland School Division was proposing a new school building to be built on the site of our present ball park. Verbal agreements were made whereby the Village would exchange this ball park for lots 6 to 11 in Block 1 which were held by the School. The Village had also promised to obtain approximately two acres as a public reserve for the Department of Public Works in exchange for Block "R" which the Department transferred to the Village sometime ago. Thus it became necessary for the Village to obtain additional land, in order to constitute a new park, and also to obtain a parcel of land for the Department of Public Works. Negotiations, were therefore underway to purchase approximately twenty-three acres from the Estate of Andrew Schmalz — this area lying immediately east to our present ball park & within the boundaries of the Village. Moved by Adam Velber that the Village of Blisdes purchase approximately twenty-three acres immediately next to the present ball park from the Andrew Schmalz Estate at a tenative price of \$60.00 per acre.

As the Wheatland School Division required approximately three acres out of this 23 acre area, this parcel to be surveyed at the cost of the School Division, and resold to the Wheatland School Division. Carried.

The Secy advised the Council & Messrs J. H. and Matt Clemals that he had received the original plans of Blocks "R" "A" and "B" from Mr. McCutcheon, Surveyor, Calgary. The Secy felt that since we already had some of the above named Blocks in our Composite Village plans, other letters were to be designated for these Blocks. The following were suggested and approved: — "R2" for the Public Reserve, "V" for the Village park and "W" for the School grounds. The Secy was to advise Mr. McCutcheon accordingly. Mr. McCutcheon requested that the approximate 23 acre area be transferred from the Estate to the Village, this to be done before the plans could be registered. The Mayor was advised to have this work done by a reliable legal firm in Calgary forthwith. Mr. McCutcheon also requested that the plans be signed by the proper officials & Mr. Semjovitch & returned to him. The Mayor & Secy. Treasurer were appointed to have the plans properly signed up & returned to Mr. McCutcheon. Moved by L. L. Clemals that the Village pay Mrs. Alec Semjovitch \$75.00 after the Plans were registered for the portion of land which Mrs. Semjovitch so generously gave up to create a continuation of Fourth Ave. so that the Village could obtain a outlet from Fifth Street. Carried.

Dwellings were being built along the north side of the unopened Fifth Street between Second & Third Avenue. As the residents, in order to get up town, had to walk past the rear of the Curling Rink & consequently pass the Rinks outside toilet, it was felt that a new location for this toilet was deemed most necessary. The Secy-Treasurer was instructed to advise the Secy of the Curling Club regarding the moving of this toilet, & the cleaning & the covering up of the pit forthwith.

By resolution & suggestion by Adam Veltew, Peter Denes was appointed Enumerator for the Village for the year 1949. The salary to be not less than \$10.00. Carried.

Moved by Adam Veltew that the meeting do now adjourn.
Dine 11:00 P.M. Carried.

Done & passed in Council assembled this 26th day of October AD 1950.



Secy-Treasurer,