

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2004
AT 7:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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PRESENT

MAYOR	Dave Fegan
DEPUTY MAYOR	Ray Courtman
COUNCILLOR	Brenda Hnybida
COUNCILLOR	Len Priestman
COUNCILLOR	Bruce Rowe
MUNIICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR	Ruth Copeland-Brunelle
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN	Dale Wells
DELEGATIONS	Catherine Buchanan, Calgary & Area Child & Family Services Authority Sheldon Leavitt, Fire Chief Airdrie EMS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fegan called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Rowe moved adoption of the Agenda with the following additions:

1. Item 9 – Correspondence:

- 9(12) Stephen Burford, Director, Alberta Capital Finance Authority re Class “D” Shareholders Board Elections.
- 9(13) AUMA Media Release re Canada West Foundation Report on Municipal Infrastructure Debt.
- 9(14) AUMA Media Release re \$3.3B for Infrastructure Rehabilitation.

2. Item 11 – In Camera Items

11(5) Public Works Personnel Matter

CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Councillor Fegan moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 13, 2004. CARRIED UNAN.

DELEGATIONS

Catherine Buchanan,
Calgary & Area
Child & Family
Services Authority

Catherine Buchanan advised Council that she is a member of the Board of Directors for the Calgary and Area Child & Family Services Authority. The area covered by the Authority includes the Cities of Calgary & Airdrie together with the Villages & Towns within the M.D. of Rockyview, M.D. of Bighorn, M.D. of Foothills, M.D. of Willow Creek, Vulcan County, Wheatland County, Kananaskis Improvement District, Ip No. 9 and the Banff National Park and Canmore area. There are 10 Child & Family Services Authorities in Alberta. Each of these regional authorities is led by a community board whose members are chosen from the community and appointed by the Minister of Children’s Services. On November 1, 2004, the *Child Welfare Act* will be replaced by the *Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act*. In addition, a new piece of legislation, the *Family Support for Children with Disabilities Act*, was implemented on August 1, 2004 to provide a legislative context for delivering services. The Authority delivers provincially mandated and early intervention services through four major programs:

- ◆ Child Welfare;
- ◆ Resources for Children with Disabilities;
- ◆ Child Care Services; and
- ◆ Family Violence Protection.

The Calgary and Area CFSA Business Plan identifies the following strategic directions:

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- ◆ preventing and addressing family violence;
- ◆ strengthening parent, caregiver and community capacity;
- ◆ supporting children with disabilities and their families;
- ◆ redefining child welfare;
- ◆ enhancing and building partnerships; and
- ◆ responding to diverse needs and assets.

Ms. Buchanan advised Council that at present the Village of Beiseker does not have representation on the Community Co-Ordinating Council and feels that Beiseker should be represented. The majority of the meetings are held in the evening.

Ms. Buchanan extended an invitation to Council to attend the annual general meeting to be held on October 27, 2004 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Town & Country Centre in Airdrie.

Sheldon Leavitt,
Airdrie EMS re

Airdrie EMS Chief Sheldon Leavitt advised Council that approximately 2 years ago, an MLA Report on ambulance service was released recommending a change in ambulance service delivery. The Calgary Regional EMS Partnership of which Airdrie EMS is a member, has been working together for approximately 18 months in anticipation of the changes to ambulance service delivery. The partnership's vision is:

"to deliver expert, coordinated and seamless out of hospital care throughout the region, while focusing on the needs of our individual and unique communities. We will be a best practice model for efficient and operationally sustainable out of hospital care."

The Provincial Government is well aware of the activities of the Calgary Regional EMS Partnership. As of April 1, 2005, the Provincial Government has mandated that the funding and governance of ambulance service delivery will be transferred to Alberta Health through the regional health authorities. In 2004, \$12 million dollars was allocated to the transition process for meetings etc. In 2005, \$55 million dollars has been budgeted for transition funding. It is unknown at this point in time as to how this funding will be distributed.

Chief Leavitt advised Council that the City of Airdrie Council has many of the same concerns as the Village of Beiseker Council in terms of maintaining the current level of service i.e. ALS vs. BLS. Despite attending many meetings regarding the impending ambulance transition process, more questions are being raised than are being answered at this point in time. At present the Village of Beiseker pays \$25.00/capita per year under its current ambulance contract. Under the new system, it is quite possible that there could be a reduction in that contract fee, on the basis that Alberta Health would be paying for BLS service with the municipality then paying for ALS service. Chief Leavitt advised that he would keep Council apprised as matters develop.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Res. #2004-95

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to approve account cheque #20040773 to D.L.F. Holdings Ltd. dated September 13, 2004 in the amount of \$12.43.

CARRIED UNAN.

Mayor Fegan abstained from voting or commenting on the above item.

Council Social
Function

Council discussed the holding of a final social function prior to the municipal election on October 18, 2004. Council decided to hold this event on Friday, October 15, 2004 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Beefsteak Restaurant.

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PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS

- Garbage Barrels The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works Staff repainted the garbage barrels around the Village.
- Trees The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works Staff cut down dead trees along Highway #72. Tree pruners were also contracted to remove dead branches.
- Tourist Booth The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works Staff cleaned up the debris behind the Tourist Booth.
- North Road Alley The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works Staff cleaned up the alley behind North Road and put down additional gravel.
- Stop Sign The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the stop sign at 3rd Avenue and 6th Street was repaired.
- Grass Cutting The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works Staff were cutting grass and weedeating for the last time this season.
- Fall Clean-Up The Public Works Foreman discussed a date for the annual fall clean-up of irregular garbage. The date of Thursday, October 7, 2004 was set for this clean-up.
- Transfer Station Signs It was suggested to the Public Works Foreman that the signs at the Transfer Station for the metal pile, wood pile etc. need to be fixed and/or replaced.
- 7th Street Sidewalk The Public Works Foreman was asked to inspect the sidewalk in front of 418 – 7th Street.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to approve the accounts cheque #20040803 to #20040839 in the amount of \$88,116.90 CARRIED UNAN.

20040803 to 20040812	Payroll Cheques	5,723.77
20040813	Fremar Enterprises	180.00
20040814	Agline	9.67
20040815	All-Can Medical	72.00
20040816	Calgary Regional Emergency Services	160.50
20040817	Country Graphics	90.95
20040818	Enercon Water Treatment Ltd.	2,972.89
20040819	Epcor Energy Services (Alberta)	80.15
20040820	Fremar Enterprises	145.62
20040821	Konica Minolta Business Solutions	117.10
20040822	Landcare Landscaping & Nursery	559.40
20040823	McNair Sand & Gravel	125.75
20040824	Mcnight Plumbing Ltd.	184.04
20040825	Mountainview Credit Union Ltd.	995.83
20040826	Mountainveiw Credit Union Ltd.	26.68
20040827	Municipal Information Systems Inc.	331.58
20040828	Nexen Marketing	4,665.38
20040829	Petty Cash	54.88
20040830	Recall	48.57
20040831	Redline Service Ltd.	101.16
20040832	Ross, Todd & Company	288.85
20040833	Seletech Electrical Enterprises	205.44
20040834	South Rock Limited	2,300.93
20040835	Tall Taylor Publishing Ltd.	160.50
20040836	U.F.A.	1,155.75
20040837	Ultra-Lite Doors	700.32
20040838	Viv Hannah	280.88
20040839	Alberta Learning	66,378.31

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NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Hnybida
Railway Museum

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that she attended the Railway Museum's open house on Sunday, September 26, 2004. The railway museum will be holding their annual general meeting in Beiseker on October 17, 2004 @ 1:30 p.m. in the Community Hall.

Cemetery

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that the Cemetery Society is still awaiting a response from the Beiseker Ag Society in regard to their request for funding for the new cemetery sign. The Cemetery Society will also be approaching the Senior's Club for funding.

Skateboard Park

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that the next meeting of the Skateboard Society will be held on October 6, 2004.

Communities in Bloom

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that she and Gail Peckham will be attending a Communities in Bloom workshop in Lacombe on October 16, 2004.

Courtman
Recycling

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that the 24 hour recycling bins at the Transfer Station are now operational. Volunteers empty these bins on a regular basis. The Annual General Meeting of the Recycling Society will be held on October 27, 2004. There has been a 10% increase in the use of blue boxes since June 1, 2004.

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that if the Transfer Station Attendant is not going to be working especially on recycling Saturdays that he should at least advise the Public Works Foreman so that other arrangements can be made to have someone there in his absence. Deputy Mayor Courtman also advised Council that Alberta Environment has now extended the deadline for the closure of burn pits to June 2005.

Priestman
Rockyview Foundation

Councillor Priestman advised Council that he attended a meeting of the Rockyview Foundation on September 22, 2004. The Board increased it's mileage expense allowance from \$0.35/km to \$0.40/km. Meeting fee rates remained the same.

Visual Appeal Committee

Councillor Priestman advised Council that he attended a meeting of the Visual Appeal Committee on September 21, 2004.

Rowe
Economic Development Committee

Councillor Rowe advised Council that the next meeting of the Economic Development Committee will be held on September 29, 2004.

Library Board

Councillor Rowe advised Council that Karen Fraser had resigned as Treasurer for the Library Board. Marigold Library System has confirmed that there would be no conflict for the Librarian Kim Schmaltz to assume that position which she has already agreed to do.

Fegan
Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission

Mayor Fegan advised Council that construction of the Kneehill Regional waterline is proceeding very well. Further updates will be provided after the next meeting of the Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Arena Lease

The Administrator advised Council that she had a draft of the Arena Lease reviewed by legal counsel, Colin Kloot. Mr. Kloot suggested some clauses to be inserted into the lease. The suggested clauses being shown in italics on the revised lease as provided to Council.

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Res. #2004-96

Councillor Priestman moved that the Village of Beiseker enter into and execute a new lease with the Beiseker & District Agricultural Society for a term of 5 years commencing January 1, 2004, with an option to renew for a further five (5) years.

CARRIED UNAN.

Emergency
Management Alberta –
Disaster Services
Courses

The Administrator advised Council that earlier this year, the Village of Beiseker applied for and was approved for a grant to host two (2) disaster services courses. The total amount of the grant was \$9,000.00. One of the conditions for the funding was that these courses must be held on or before March 31, 2005. With the assistance of Emergency Management Alberta, the two (2) courses have been booked for January & February 2005 and the course facilitators have been booked. Mr. George Roddick will be the facilitator for the Elected Officials course booked for February 22, 2005. Mr. Roddick has provided the attached contract for signature. The other course is the Emergency Public Information course and it has been booked for January 26 & 27, 2005 with Rod Stafford as the instructor.

Res. #2004-97

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that the Village of Beiseker enter into and execute the Services Contract agreement with Roddick Consulting to conduct the Elected Officials course.

CARRIED UNAN

Nomination Day

The Administrator advised Council that at the close of Nomination Day, 8 candidates had submitted nomination papers. The candidates for the 2004 General Municipal Election are:

Ray Courtman
Alexander Leslie Henuset
Brenda Hnybida
Carol Ann Nemeth

Leonard Priestman
T. Bruce Rowe
Douglas Scott
John Alfred (Fred) Walters

MGV Wells

The Administrator advised Council that on Council's direction, that she had contacted Jason Finner of Urban Systems to obtain his advice regarding MGV's request to locate gas wells near our Well #6 and the water line right-of-way for Well #7. Jason advised that he did not feel that he had the expertise in this area to properly provide an opinion as to what conditions should be placed on MGV prior to the drilling of these wells. Jason therefore put the Administrator in contact with another company who has expertise in groundwater/drinking wells (i.e. hydrogeological consulting services). Golder Associates is prepared to:

- ◆ review existing information related to the design of MGV Energy's gas well (i.e. how will the well be completed and to what depths including the number of casings to be used);
- ◆ review the design of the water line for Well #7; and
- ◆ provide their professional opinion on the potential problems that the gas well may have on the Village's water supply in the form of a written letter.

Golder Associates is prepared to complete the above scope of work for a lump sum fee of \$1,000.00. The Administrator advised Council that she was still very concerned about the potential impact that the drilling of these two wells may have on both Well #6 and the right-of-way for Well #7. She recognized that the \$1,000.00 fee may seem excessive, but, it could potentially save the Village thousands of dollars down the road if due diligence was not done.

Based on further information provided by MGV Energy in regard to their commitment re groundwater and water well protection, Council decided not to engage the services of Golder & Associates. MGV will be required to conduct well testing prior to and after completion of the drilling activities.

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Salvaging from the
Transfer Station

The Administrator advised Council that the issue of residents salvaging metal or other items deposited at the Transfer Station appears to be an ongoing issue between one of our residents and our Transfer Station attendant. The resident in question has been informed that no salvaging from the Transfer Station is allowed and the resident's argument is that why should the Transfer Station attendant be allowed to do so and no one else. Salvaging from the metal pile in particular seems to be the issue at hand. Any money that is generated from the metal pile is paid to the Recycling Society. The Administrator recommended to Council that a policy be put in place to not allow salvaging from the Transfer Station and that a sign be posted accordingly as the Transfer Station is not a salvage yard. By having a policy in place that would apply to everyone, this would then hopefully resolve this issue once and for all.

Council decided not to implement a policy banning salvaging from the Transfer Station, therefore anyone wishing to reclaim items from the Transfer Station may do so at their own risk.

CORRESPONDENCE

Marigold Library System	Marigold Library System re 2005 Budget, Alberta Library Week and Notes to Council.	FILED
Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission	Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission re Step 6 of Casino Facility Licensing Process.	FILED
Alberta Environment	Alberta Environment re Alberta's Municipal Waste Action Plan 2004-2006.	FILED
Town of Millet	Town of Millet re Communities in Bloom.	FILED
AAMD&C	AAMD&C September 10, 2004 Contact! Newsletter.	FILED
Kneehill Regional Water Services	Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission re Water Supply Agreement.	FILED
Res. #2004-98	Mayor Fegan moved that the Village of Beiseker enter into and execute the Water Supply Agreement with the Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission for the supply of treated water.	CARRIED UNAN.
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada re Prairie Grain Roads Program.	FILED
AUMA	AUMA re 2003 AUMA Convention Resolution #A.1 re the Alberta Capital Finance Authority.	FILED
Alberta Capital Finance Authority	Stephen Burford, Director, Alberta Capital Finance Authority re AUMA letter of September 15, 2004.	FILED
"Blue Flag"	"Blue Flag" official Publication of the Alberta 2005 Centennial Railway Museum Society.	FILED
AAMD&C	AAMD&C September 17, 2004 Contact! Newsletter.	
Stephen Burford	Stephen Burford, Director, Alberta Capital Finance Authority re Class "D" Shareholders Board Elections.	FILED
AUMA	AUMA Media Release re Canada West Foundation Report on Municipal Infrastructure Debt.	FILED
AUMA	AUMA Media Release re \$3.3B for Infrastructure Rehabilitation.	FILED

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IN CAMERA ITEMS

In Camera

Councillor Rowe moved that Council go *in camera* @ 10:17 p.m. to discuss:

1. An offer re Plan 0010693, Block 2, Lot 1 in Skyland Industrial Park.
2. An offer re Plan 0010693, Block 2, Lots 1, 2 & 3 in Skyland Industrial Park.
3. E-Mail from Richard Ruchkall re the Beiseker Airport.
4. Draft copy of a letter to Mountain View Farm Camping Ltd. and
5. A Public Works Personnel Matter.

CARRIED UNAN.

Reconvene

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that Council reconvene from *in camera* @ 10:48 p.m.

CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2004-99

Councillor Rowe moved to approve the request of Miles & Melanie Martin to have the first option or first right of refusal to purchase Plan 0010693, Block 2, Lot 1.

CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2004-100

Councillor Hnybida moved to reject the offer of Kam Leung to purchase Plan 0010693, Block 2, Lots 1, 2 & 3.

CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2004-101

Councillor Rowe moved to approve and send the letter as drafted by Mayor Fegan to Mountain View Farm Camping Ltd.

CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2004-102

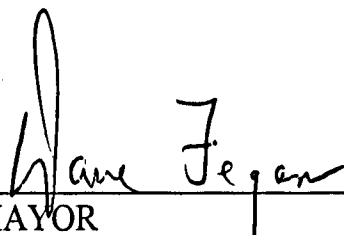
Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that Council review the salary grid for the Public Works Foreman at the October 12, 2004 regular meeting of Council and that any salary decision made at that time will be retroactive to October 1, 2004.

CARRIED UNAN.

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Hnybida moved that the meeting adjourn at 10:53 p.m.

CARRIED UNAN.


MAYOR


MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR