



County of Grande Prairie No. 1

Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 4, 2019
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: County of Grande Prairie No. 1 Administration Building

COUNCIL PRESENT

Reeve Leanne Beaupre
Deputy Reeve Ross Sutherland
Councillor Corey Beck
Councillor Karen Rosvold
Councillor Linda Waddy
Councillor Harold Bulford
Councillor Daryl Beeston
Councillor Peter Harris
Councillor Bob Marshall

STAFF PRESENT

Bill Rogan, CAO
Dale Van Volkingburgh, Director of Public Works
Nick Lapp, Director of Planning and Development
Dan Lemieux, Director of Community Services
Sheryle Runhart, Manager of Legislative Services

STAFF ABSENT

Dawn Sauv , Director of Corporate Services

CALL TO ORDER, QUORUM AND O'CANADA

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with the singing of O'Canada.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution # CM20190304.001
MOVED by B. MARSHALL

That the agenda for March 4, 2019 be adopted with the following additions:

- Closed Session - Land (Item 18.3);
- Closed Session - Land (Item 18.4); and
- Closed Session - Land (Item 18.5).

Carried

DELEGATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

10:10 am- Sexsmith Vipers Junior B Hockey Club Request for Funding – Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks and Recreation

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks and Recreation noted that the Sexsmith Vipers Junior B Hockey club is requesting release of their 2016 Capital Assistance funding for the construction of a team dressing room at the Sexsmith Arena. Kelly Wilson from the Sexsmith Vipers was in attendance to speak to this matter.

The Club was awarded a 2016 Capital Assistant Grant for \$12,500 for dressing room construction. The construction did not occur but the Vipers would like to move forward with the project in 2019. The organization was under the impression that the County would hold the money indefinitely.

The County sent out the Conditional Grant agreement in January of 2016 and the Club did not complete or return them to Administration. A reminder letter was sent out November 22, 2016 advising the group that funding would be cancelled if the Conditional Grant Agreements were not returned by December 31, 2016.

The funds were not carried forward in subsequent budget years, and the \$12,500 went to the bottom line at the end of 2016. There was additional discussion regarding:

- additional funding;
- budget; and
- grant applications.

Resolution # CM20190304.002

MOVED by C. BECK

That the County release the Capital Assistance Grant to the Sexsmith Vipers Hockey Club in the amount of \$12,500 with funds to come from the Grants Reserve, contingent upon receiving a letter of support from the Sexsmith Agriculture Society that will be copied to the Town of Sexsmith.

Carried

Resolution # CM20190304.003

MOVED by B. MARSHALL

that the County provide a letter of support to the Sexsmith Vipers Hockey Club to aid in the application for a Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) Grant.

Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Veteran's Appreciation Day - April 6, 2019 – Bill Rogan, CAO

An invite to attend the 2nd annual Veteran's Appreciation Day at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #54 on April 6, 2019 was received.

The cost to attend is \$30.00 for members and \$35.00 for nonmembers.

Resolution # CM20190304.004
MOVED by D. BEESTON

That the County purchase tickets for those members of County Council that would like to attend with funds to come from the Council Promotional Events Budget line.

Carried

Letter Requesting Assistance – Dale Van Volkingburgh, Director of Public Works

Dale Van Volkingburgh, Director of Public Works, noted that a letter was received from Eric and Carmen DeSchipper, County residents, requesting assistance to place rocks, which were funded by Alberta Transportation, to repair a preexisting plug where the Red Willow river was diverted many years ago by the County, Alberta Transportation and Alberta Environment and Parks. The 1990 flood started the erosion of this plug and it is now nearing a point of failure. Mr. & Mrs. DeSchipper are requesting the County assist by providing equipment to place the rocks in the plug to prevent future erosion and flooding into Red Willow Flats and along Highway 722.

The approximate cost will be \$5400.00 and the County will require that all necessary permits be approved and in place prior to the County commencing work.

There was additional discussion regarding:

- supplies required and associated costs; and
- Alberta Environment and Parks role.

Resolution # CM20190304.005
MOVED by P. HARRIS

That the County assist Eric and Carmen DeSchipper, County residents, with County equipment to place the rocks provided by Alberta Transportation in the "plug" to help prevent future flooding at an approximate cost of \$5400.00 with funding to be provided through the Public Works Miscellaneous Operations line and contingent upon the landowner obtaining all necessary permits and a hold harmless agreement signed with the landowner.

Carried

Northwest Species at Risk (NWSAR) Committee Request for Letter of Support - Bill Rogan, CAO

Bill Rogan, CAO, noted that a letter was received for the Northwest Species at Risk Committee (NWSAR), of which the County is a member of, requesting support for a "boots-on-the-ground" research project in two (2) caribou ranges. This project involves spatial and qualitative data collection for the Chinchaga and Caribou Mountains Boreal Caribou Ranges. NWSAR is a collaborative partnership of five (5) municipalities in Northwest Alberta, with the support of nine (9) other municipalities, across Northern Alberta.

In December 2018, the NWSAR Committee submitted an Expression of Interest (EOI) to the Federal Environmental Damages Fund; outlining the purpose, methods and goals of the project. In January 2019, Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) invited the NWSAR Committee to submit a detailed application for consideration.

Resolution # CM20190304.006

MOVED by P. HARRIS

That the County of Grande Prairie write a letter of support for the Northwest Species at Risk (NWSAR) Committee.

Carried

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Deputy Reeve Sutherland

Deputy Reeve Sutherland had nothing to report.

Councillor Beck

Councillor Beck attended and commented on:

- Agriculture Service Board Member face-to-face sessions in Peace River.

Councillor Rosvold

Councillor Rosvold attended and commented on:

- Vital Signs Committee Meeting;
- FCSSAA Board Meeting; and
- Family and Community Supports in Rural Alberta meeting in Edmonton.

Councillor Waddy

Councillor Waddy attended and commented on:

- AB Recycling Spring Conference (CARE).

Councillor Beeston

Councillor Beeston commented on:

- request received from the Peace Region Economic Development Alliance (PREDA).

Resolution # CM20190304.007

MOVED by D. BEESTON

That the County cover the cost of hosting a Peace Region Economic Development Alliance (PREDA) meeting on April 26, 2019 at Evergreen Park with funds to come from the Economic Development budget.

Carried

Councillor Bulford

Councillor Bulford had nothing to report.

Councillor Harris

Councillor Harris attended and commented on:

- Agriculture Service Board Member face-to-face sessions in Peace River; and
- recognized Councillor Beck for all the work done with the Provincial Agriculture Service Board.

Councillor Marshall

Councillor Marshall attended and commented on:

- Peace Airshed Zone Association (PAZA) Technical Committee and Board Meetings;
- Saskatoon Mountain Provincial Recreation Area Open House; and
- Sports Excellence Awards.

Reeve Beaupre

Reeve Beaupre attended and commented on:

- Evergreen Park Board Meeting;
- Vital Signs Committee Meeting;
- Pursuit of Excellence Committee Meeting;
- Sports Excellence Awards; and
- Grande Prairie Grief Society Fundraiser.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Bill Rogan, Chief Administrative Officer

Bill Rogan, Chief Administrative Officer had nothing additional to report.

Dale Van Volkingburgh, Director of Public Works

Dale Van Volkingburgh, Director of Public Works attended and commented on:

- correspondence to Councillors from a contractor; and
- pond pumping.

Nick Lapp, Director of Planning and Development

Nick Lapp, Director of Planning and Development had nothing to report.

Dan Lemieux, Director of Community Services

Dan Lemieux, Director of Community Services attended and commented on:

- Operating Assistance and Cemetery Improvement grants are now open for applications;

- three public information sessions scheduled in March 2019 to guide the public through the application process;
- upcoming snowshoe workshop;
- firefighter recruitment; and
- Farm Family Banquet this Friday March 8, 2019.

Resolution # CM20190304.008

MOVED by H. BULFORD

That the meeting be recessed at 10:46 a.m. for a short break.

Carried

CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was reconvened at 10:54 a.m.

Resolution # CM20190304.009

MOVED by B. MARSHALL

That the meeting go in to Closed Session, at 10:55 a.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, to discuss Privileged Information with regards to;

- Legal, pursuant to Section 17 and 27; and
- Land, pursuant to Section 16.

of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP), Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter F-25 and amendments thereto.

Carried

Closed Session - Legal - March 4, 2019 - – Justin Brown, Insurance/Risk Management

Present were:

Chief Administrative Officer

- Bill Rogan

Directors

- Dale Van Volkingburgh, Director of Public Works
- Nick Lapp, Director of Planning and Development
- Dan Lemieux, Director of Community Services
- Sheryle Runhart, Acting Director of Corporate Services and Manager of Legislative Services

Staff

- Justin Brown, Insurance/Risk Management Coordinator

Closed Session - Land - March 4, 2019 (2)

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Resolution # CM20190304.010

MOVED by C. BECK

That the meeting come out of Closed Session at 12:56 p.m.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution # CM20190304.011

MOVED by P. HARRIS

That the meeting be adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

