

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, June 3, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.
Summer Villages Office Council Chambers
Ma-Me-O Beach, AB**

MINUTES

Present:

Roger MacEachern Mayor
Hugh Sanders, Deputy Mayor
David Hall, Councillor

Sylvia Roy, CAO

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor MacEachern called the Meeting to Order at 9:10 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. #10-58

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Res. #10-59

Moved by Councillor Hall that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 23, 2010 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

BYLAWS & POLICIES

None presented.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Pigeon Lake Protective Services
 - i. April and May 2010 Report
 - ii. Fall Meeting
2. Development Report
3. Ratepayer Notification Follow-up Report
4. Article: Fireworks in Alberta
5. Municipal Sustainability Strategy Meeting Summary

Res. # 10-60

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to accept the above five items as information.

CARRIED

Upon review of the ratepayer notification follow up report with respect to outstanding development issues that require conformity, Council directed Administration to perform further follow up.

Res. # 10-61

Moved by Mayor MacEachern that the owner of #115 Crystal Springs be directed by Administration, in writing, to remove encroachments on municipal property relating to above ground and/or below ground drainage pipe(s) draining into Cherry Street Park.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Report and Cheque Listing

Administration presented the Crystal Springs financial report for the period ended May 31, 2010.

Res. # 10-62

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to accept the financial report and cheque listing as information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

Follow-Up Report

Council and Administration reviewed the follow-up report as presented.

Wastewater Projects

Regional Wastewater Committee

Mayor MacEachern stated the committee is awaiting further information from the County of Wetaskiwin.

Local Collection System

Council provided Administration with suggested revisions to the local wastewater collection system study as prepared by Associated Engineering (AE) which will be sent to AE for report revision.

Green Projects

Res. # 10-63

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders that the Summer Village of Crystal Springs submit a program application for Municipal Sustainability Initiative capital grant funding for a parks/playground/recreation project in the amount of \$50,000.

CARRIED

LED Lighting

Administration presented information on "night sky friendly" lighting alternatives from FORTIS.

Doggie Doo Stands

Council reviewed the memo from Administration regarding "Doggie Doo" stand products and prices; this item will be brought forward again at the next Council Meeting.

Strategic Plan

The strategic planning documents will be reviewed again at the next Council Meeting. Further revisions may occur as a result of any potential "green" topics at the upcoming Association of Pigeon Lake Municipalities meeting at the end of June.

Trails

Councillor Hall provided an update on recent meetings with the Kiskayo Trail group regarding the possibility of upgrading "Deer Trail", which runs from Crystal Springs to the Village at Pigeon Lake in County of Wetaskiwin. A meeting will be held in the near future to discuss this possibility with members of the Kiskayo Trail group, County of Wetaskiwin representatives and Village at Pigeon Lake representatives.

Res. # 10-64

Moved by Mayor MacEachern that the Summer Village of Crystal Springs install culverts at Deer Trail and Moose Trail and perform landscaping in Crystal Springs parks.

CARRIED

Signage

Signage has been ordered to help identify street names.

Boat Launch

Due to low lake levels, no changes will be made to the boat launch at this time.

Boat Hoists and Piers

Crystal Springs maintenance personnel will check on the number of boat hoists and piers on municipal reserves in a few weeks.

2010 Municipal Election / Candidate's Forum

Res. # 10-65

Moved by Mayor MacEachern to revise Res. #10-38 with respect elections hours to read that election day hours are changed to 10 am to 7 pm, in order to more accurately reflect election day hours as stated in the Local Authority Elections Act.

CARRIED

Administration was directed to recruit a volunteer moderator for the Candidate's Forum.

Joint Service Committee

Nothing to report.

Playground Equipment Update

Landscaping needs to occur at the day park playground in light of additional playground equipment installation.

Municipal Emergency Management Update

Administration advised that grant funding has been awarded to Ma-Me-O Beach by Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) to hold a Regional Municipal Disaster Services exercise. The funding must be expended by March 2011. It is anticipated that the exercise will be scheduled for autumn 2010 after municipal elections.

Administration recently attended an AEMA presentation; one of the topics of discussion was Bill 6, an amendment to the Emergency Services Act that has already been proclaimed. Some of the highlights of Bill 6 are that a Council can designate the declaration of a state of local emergency to an elected official of another municipality (and that a regional commission can be formed for shared emergency management purposes, but the regional commission must be formalized through an Order In Council.

Lastly, Administration advised that the long-awaited Municipal Emergency Management Program Guide, which replaces the current Municipal Emergency Planning template, was recently presented at workshops across the province and custom electronic template software is now available through the provincial government website portal.

South Side Summer Villages Amalgamation

Meetings and discussions with the Committee and consultant are ongoing, and further information will be mailed out to residents and uploaded on the website.

Res. #10-66

Moved by Mayor MacEachern that:

Whereas, Section 2 of the Local Authorities Election Act of the Province of Alberta permits one or more elected authorities to enter into an agreement to conduct an election (plebiscite); and

Whereas, the Summer Villages of Crystal Springs, Grandview, and Norris Beach have agreed to conduct a plebiscite on the amalgamation of all three Summer Villages into one Summer Village; and

Whereas, the Summer Village of Grandview has agreed to be responsible for the conduct of the plebiscite and ensure that the procedures prescribed under the Local Authorities Election Act are complied with, including the procedures in respect of the retention and destruction of election (plebiscite) materials; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the Summer Village of Crystal Springs hereby authorizes the entering into an agreement with the Summer Villages of Norris Beach and Grandview to authorize the Summer Village of Grandview to conduct a plebiscite within the jurisdiction of the three Summer Villages of Crystal Springs, Grandview, and Norris Beach asking the residents if they support, or not support, the amalgamation of the three Summer Villages into one Summer Village.

CARRIED

Res. #10-67

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders that:

Whereas Section 236 of the Municipal Government Act allows council to submit a question to the electors on any matter over which the municipality has jurisdiction; and

Whereas the Summer Villages of Crystal Springs, Grandview, and Norris Beach have considered the feasibility of amalgamating the three Summer Villages into one Summer Village; and

Whereas it is desirable to gather the opinion of the electors of the summer villages on amalgamating the three Summer Villages into one Summer Villages; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Summer Village of Crystal Springs hereby submit the following question to a plebiscite of the electors:

“Are you in favour of the Summer Villages of Crystal Springs, Grandview, and Norris Beach to amalgamate into one Summer Village?”

CARRIED

Res. #10-68

Moved by Councillor Hall that:

Whereas Section 12 (a)(ii) of the Local Authorities Election Act of the Province of Alberta requires a Summer Village Council to set a date for a vote on a question and Section 73 allows for the establishment of an Advance Poll and the setting of the hours when an Advance Poll is to be held; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the Summer Village of Crystal Springs authorizes a plebiscite to be held on July 3, 2010 at the Ma-Me-O Beach Legion Hall on the question of the amalgamation of the Summer Villages of Crystal Springs, Grandview, and Norris Beach into one Summer Village, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Advance Poll to be held on June 26, 2010 between the hours of 10:00am and 2:00pm at a polling station located at the Ma-Me-O Beach Town Hall.

CARRIED

Pigeon Lake Summer Village Strategic Alliance

Council reviewed and discussed the minutes of the April 15, 2010 meeting at which Worley Parsons presented the water balance study. Further discussion will take place at a future Council Meeting.

Summer Villages/ County of Wetaskiwin Meeting Notes

Council reviewed minutes of the May 1, 2010 meeting with the South Side Summer Villages and the County of Wetaskiwin. Council directed Administration to draft a letter to the County of Wetaskiwin regarding the poor condition of Norris Beach road and Lakedell Road.

Association of Pigeon Lake Municipalities (APLM)

The next APLM Meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2010.

Pigeon Lake Protective Services

April 20, 2010 Meeting

September 14, 2010 Meeting

At a meeting of April 20, 2010 Silver Beach Council and Administration has advised that they are requesting a significant increase in rates. This increase was introduced after Summer Village budgets were approved despite the assurance by Silver Beach that budgets and information would be released to the Summer Villages by the end of January 2010 in preparation for budget deliberations. No formal letters or written communication has been received regarding this rate increase, therefore until that time; no increase in funding will be approved by Council. Council reviewed the minutes of the April 20 meeting that were recently received by the Summer Villages Office. The next scheduled meeting is September 14, 2010.

Res. #10-69

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to pay Pigeon Lake Protective Services invoices at the amount as stated in the current agreement, and request formal notification from Silver Beach with respect to any increases so that any increases may be deliberated at a future Council Meeting.

CARRIED

MEC Operating Company Update

The next mediation session with MEC Operating Company, Alberta Environment, Alberta Environmental Appeals Board and Pete Langelle, Jim Stevens and Sylvia Roy (on behalf of the Summer Villages) is scheduled for July 21, 2010.

Legal Advice (In Camera)

Res. # 10-70

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to go In Camera at 12:15 pm.

CARRIED

Res. # 10-71

Moved by Mayor MacEachern to come out of In Camera at 12:35 pm.

CARRIED

Res. # 10-72

Moved by Councillor Hall that Administration send an enforcement order under Section 545 of the Municipal Government Act, to the owners of #90 Crystal Springs for the removal of the encroachments on municipal property and advise the owners that failure to remove the encroachments will result in the Summer Village taking necessary action to have the encroachments removed at the owner's expense.

CARRIED

Assessment Review Boards Resolutions

Appointment of Designated Officer

Res. # 10-73

Moved by Councillor Hall:

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Bylaw #199, (the Assessment Complaints Designated Officer Bylaw) Council of the Summer Village of Crystal Springs hereby confirms that Mr. Archie Grover of the Capital Region Assessment Commission is appointed as the Assessment Complaints Designated Officer.

CARRIED

ARB Remuneration and Expenses

Res. # 10-74

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders:

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to section 454.1(3) of the Municipal Government Act, RSA. 2000, c. M-26 and pursuant to Bylaw #198, (the Assessment Review Board Bylaw) Council of the Summer Village of Crystal Springs hereby delegates the establishment of the rates and payments of the remuneration and expenses for Assessment Review members to the Capital Region Assessment Services Commission.

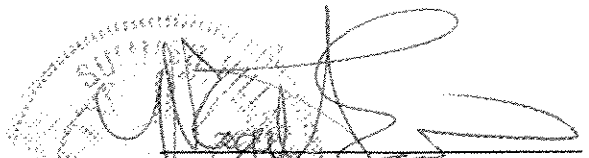
CARRIED

Adjournment

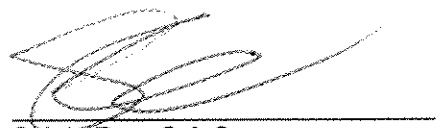
Res. #10-75

Moved by Mayor MacEachern that the meeting be adjourned at 1:24 pm.

CARRIED



N. Roger MacEachern, Mayor
Summer Village of Crystal Springs



Sylvia Roy, C.A.O.
Summer Village of Crystal Springs