

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.
Summer Villages Office Council Chambers
605-2nd Ave, Ma-Me-O Beach, AB**

MINUTES

Present:

Doris Bell, Mayor

Grant Churchill, Deputy Mayor

Kevin Pratt, Councillor

Sylvia Roy, CAO

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bell called the Meeting to Order at 10:00 a.m.

B. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

1. Mrs. Darlene Bouclin

Mrs. Darlene Bouclin expressed concern over the apparent disunion with Council. Mrs. Bouclin then read a letter she sent to the Honorable Diana McQueen, Minister of Municipal Affairs, bringing to her attention the dysfunctional situation with the Council of the Summer Village of Crystal Springs.

In the letter, Mrs. Bouclin suggests that Councillors Kevin Pratt and Grant Churchill are in collusion and are conniving to unseat the Mayor, Doris Bell. Signatures from 26 households and 33 signatures in the village of 162 residents was obtained, supporting the leadership of Mayor Bell. The petition was attached to the letter to the Minister and Mrs. Bouclin asked that an independent CAO be assigned to determine its sufficiency.

The letter also requested that the Minister intervene prior to the Special Council meeting scheduled for today, and cancel the meeting for the purpose of 3rd reading of Bylaw #219, to allow more than one Organizational Council meeting during the year. If warranted, Mrs. Bouclin requested that the Minister assign a municipal inspector to look into the affairs of the Summer Village.

Mrs. Bouclin advised that she received a phone call this morning from Municipal Affairs indicating that the Minister doesn't have power to cancel meeting, but Municipal Affairs representatives will follow up on the other concerns.

C. ADOPTION / ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Res. # 14-142

Moved by Deputy Mayor Churchill to approve the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

Addition: G.1, Special Organizational Council Meeting

D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

None.

E. READING OF BYLAWS & POLICIES

1. Bylaw #219, Amendment to Procedural Bylaw #174

Res. # 14-143

Moved by Mayor Bell that the proceeding motion be given a recorded vote.

CARRIED

Res. # 14-144

Moved by Councillor Pratt to give Third Reading to Bylaw #219, Amendment to Procedural Bylaw #174, as presented.

Mayor Bell stated that according to the MGA, the first duty of Council member is "to consider the welfare and interests of the municipality as a whole and bring to Council's attention anything that would promote the welfare and interests of the municipality as a whole. So it is my duty to bring Council's attention my conviction that this amendment does not provide for good governance. It allows for the disruption of leadership of our community because that leadership can be changed at random. It is important that you understand there are long term implications to the decision we are making today. For the sake of our community, I urge you to reconsider and defeat this motion.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Churchill, Councillor Pratt
Opposed: Mayor Bell
CARRIED

F. COUNCIL & CAO REPORTS
None.

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Special Organizational Council Meeting

Res. # 14-145

Moved by Mayor Bell that the proceeding motion be given a recorded vote.

CARRIED

Res. # 14-146

Moved by Councillor Pratt that the Summer Village of Crystal Springs hold a Special Organizational Meeting at 10:30 am on December 10th 2014.

In Favor: Deputy Mayor Churchill, Councillor Pratt
Opposed: Mayor Bell

CARRIED

H. FINANCIAL REPORTS
None.

I. CORRESPONDENCE / INFORMATION ITEMS
None.

J. IN CAMERA
No In Camera items were discussed.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Res. #14-147

Moved by Councillor Pratt to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 am.

CARRIED





Doris Bell, Mayor
Summer Village of Crystal Springs



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