

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF NORRIS BEACH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015 at 10:00 am
SUMMER VILLAGES OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
605-2nd Avenue, Ma-Me-O Beach, AB**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor Brian Keeler
Deputy Mayor Terry Cronin
Councillor Frank Dyck
Administration: Sylvia Roy, CAO

Mayor Keeler called the meeting to order at 10:04 am.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Res. #15-13

Moved by Deputy Mayor Cronin to approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 27, 2014

Res. #15-14

Moved by Deputy Mayor Cronin to approve the Regular Council Meeting minutes of September 26, 2014 as presented.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS

At 10:05 am Council welcomed Mr. Wayne Buskas and Ms. Susan Ellis of the Pigeon Lake Watershed Association, who went through highlights of a PowerPoint presentation that was distributed.

Mr. Buskas and Ms. Ellis indicated that the PLWA has adopted a multi-pronged strategy which includes watershed programs and initiatives and the Pigeon Lake Watershed Management Plan, which addresses items such as cosmetic fertilizers, a model land use bylaw, and surface water quality management. In 2012, the PLWA resolved to support the feasibility of techniques identified for lake management, which is being addressed by the in-lake technical committee.

The PLWA is adopting a two pronged approach of land/stewardship and the in-lake initiatives. A nutrient budget has been completed with information on internal loading and external sources that contribute to nutrients entering the lake. The PLWA has created a lawn maintenance brochure, and they also have other resources such as the Living on the Edge book.

The PLWA is holding a critical meeting on April 25th; the meeting is the 4th Annual Leaders Session at which all Pigeon Lake Councils are invited to participate. August 8 is Love the Lake Family Day and the Annual General Meeting is August 22nd.

Sixty homesite consultations were conducted last year; this year they are only hiring one Nature Alberta homesite consultation person. The homesite consultations helps residents to understand their impact on the lake, what to plant, products to use and they also do a follow-up visit.

Aquatic invasive species signage and monitoring, as well as the Norris Beach Creek/shoreline restoration project were another two of the initiatives undertaken last year.

The Pigeon Lake Watershed Management Program is launching a third topic – surface water quality management. Even when no fertilizers are added to a lawn, the amount of nutrients and contaminants that runoff from a developed lot is much higher than an undeveloped lot. They haven't met with the golf courses yet regarding what they may contribute to nutrient runoff into the watershed/lake.

Mr. Buskas and Ms. Ellis reviewed the grants that the PLWA has applied for and the municipal financial contributions received.

Council thanked Mr. Buskas and Ms. Ellis and they departed at 10:47 am.

Recess: 10:48 am

Reconvene 10:57 am

D. BYLAWS & POLICIES

None.

E. REPORTS FROM STAFF/RESOLUTIONS

1. Follow Up Sheet

The follow up sheet was reviewed and revised.

F. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Regional/ Local Wastewater

a. County of Wetaskiwin Letter – Alberta Community Partnership Grant Application

The County of Wetaskiwin submitted a letter to MLA and Alberta Municipal Affairs Minister Diana McQueen regarding the Alberta Community Partnership grant application submitted by the Summer Villages of Crystal Springs (managing partner) and Norris Beach for the local collection lines that will connect to the regional line. The County's concern with this application is that without the County added as a partner in the grant application, the County residents in Viola Beach and the County as a whole may pay a higher share of costs for this portion of the internal lines that will tie into the lift station at Westeros. If the local improvement costs are too high, particularly to their neighbors, the Viola Beach section of the line may not proceed, according to the County, effectively shelving the Crystal Springs and Norris Beach sections of the local collection systems.

It is with these concerns that the County of Wetaskiwin requested to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs that the County of Wetaskiwin be added as a partner to the Alberta Community Partnership grant application submitted by the Summer Villages of Crystal Springs and Norris Beach.

The letter was received as information.

Council expressed concern and disappointment that the County of Wetaskiwin and the Village of Ma-Me-O Beach did not apply for the same grant that was available to them and as was originally indicated they would.

b. 2015 Building Canada Small Communities Grant Application

Res. #15-15

Moved by Mayor Keeler that the Summer Village of Norris Beach participate in the funding application by the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach as lead municipality through the 2015 Building Canada Small Communities Fund Program for the south side Pigeon Lake local Wastewater system Phase 1 based on costs estimates provided by MPE.

CARRIED

Res. #15-16

Moved by Councillor Dyck that the Summer Village of Norris Beach act as the lead municipality for the funding application for the 2015 Building Canada Small Communities Fund Program for road repairs for the Summer Villages of Norris Beach, Crystal Springs, Grandview, Poplar Bay and Ma-Me-O Beach.

CARRIED

2. South Side Wastewater Committee

Council reviewed the minutes of the south side wastewater committee meeting held on February 24, 2015. A large part of this meeting was spent reviewing the communications plan based on feedback received from committee members.

3. Alliance of Pigeon Lake Municipalities

Council reviewed a request from Mr. Ernie Elko of the APLM In-Lake Technical Committee that the Summer Villages provide \$30/residence to perform water sampling and provide the testing results to Alberta Health with the view that the sampling may assist with more accurate declaration of algae advisories.

Councillor Dyck advised that more information may be available after the APLM committee meeting tomorrow. Council decided that there is not enough factual information to support such a request.

Res. #15-17

Moved by Mayor Keeler that the Summer Village of Norris Beach not support the request by the Alliance of Pigeon Lake Municipalities In-Lake Technical Committee to fund water sampling at a cost of \$30/residence.

CARRIED

4. Association of Summer Villages of Alberta

Council reviewed a letter from the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta to Summer Village Councils and CAO's, informing of all of the initiatives that the ASVA has undertaken on behalf of the Summer Villages. This was received as information.

Administration advised Council that the ASVA is hosting a boat mooring forum on April 14, 2015 with a speaker from Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development. Administration will advise Council of when registration for the forum is available.

5. Pigeon Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce

Res. #15-18

Moved by Councillor Dyck that the Summer Village of Norris Beach take out a membership for 2015 for the Pigeon Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce, at a cost of \$126.

CARRIED

6. RMRF Legal Seminar – Good Governance

With permission, Administration presented information on a seminar session conducted by the legal firm of RMRF; the session was entitled "Council Conduct and Good Governance: Can't We All Just Get Along." This was received as information.

7. Fertilizer Bylaw

Council requested that Administration email them a copy of the Grandview fertilizer bylaw for their review. Deputy Mayor Cronin asked Administration to approach APLM and request enough lawn maintenance pamphlets to cover all of the residents of Norris Beach.

G. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cheque Listing

Res. #15-19

Moved by Councillor Dyck to approve the cheque listing as information.

CARRIED

1. Draft 2015 Budget

The draft 2015 Norris Beach budget was reviewed.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Alberta Energy Regulator Directive 79/ Abandoned Wells Setbacks
2. AUMA Board News
3. APWA National Public Works Week
4. New West Partnership Trade Agreement (NWPTA)
5. Rundle Mission Society Anniversary Celebration

Res. #15-20

Moved by Mayor Keeler to approve the above five items as information.


CARRIED

I. ADJOURNMENT

Res. #15-21

Moved by Councillor Dyck to adjourn the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

CARRIED



Brian Keeler, Mayor
Summer Village of Norris Beach



Sylvia Roy, Chief Administrative Officer
Summer Village of Norris Beach

