

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.
Summer Villages Office Council Chambers
605-2nd Ave, Ma-Me-O Beach, AB**

MINUTES

Present:

Kevin Pratt, Mayor
Grant Churchill, Deputy Mayor
Doris Bell, Councillor

Sylvia Roy, CAO
Gail Coleman, CFO

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pratt called the Meeting to Order at 10:01 a.m.

B. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

C. ADOPTION / ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Res. # 15-16

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

CARRIED

D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

E. READING OF BYLAWS & POLICIES

F. COUNCIL & CAO REPORTS

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Selection of Mediator for Enhancement of Council Communications and Governance Project – Alberta Community Partnership Grant Application, Mediation and Cooperative Processes

Administration applied for, and received grant funding in the amount of \$25,000 under the Mediation and Cooperative Processes component of the 2014/15 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) program, to develop enhanced communication and governance processes within Council through protocol development.

Council reviewed a roster of potential mediators from the Alberta Municipal Affairs website, and shortlisted the potential applicants to 3 mediators each. From there, Council shortlisted to 3 mediators in total, who are listed in order of preference: Mr. Bill Diepeveen, Ms. Jean-Ann Byron and Mr. Richard Assinger.

Res. # 15-17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Churchill that the Summer Village of Crystal Springs Council recruit Mr. Bill Diepeveen as mediator for enhanced communication and governance processes project. Should Mr. Diepeveen not be available, Council will recruit Ms. Jean-Ann Byron as second choice and Mr. Richard Assinger as third choice.

CARRIED

2. Building Canada, Small Communities Grant Funding
 - a. Phase 1 - County of Wetaskiwin, Ma-Me-O Beach, Norris Beach and Crystal Springs

While it was not possible for this meeting, Councillor Bell stated that she would appreciate background material a minimum of a week prior to the meeting. Councillor Bell asked for more specifics regarding the Building Canada grant. The Building Canada grant program was announced last Friday; a webinar featuring the application process was held on Monday March 9; Administration met with the County of Wetaskiwin on Tuesday to discuss who would be the lead municipalities for the applications.

Councillor Bell questioned whether participating in the grant application was in the best interest of Crystal Springs residents, based on the experience with the Regional Collaboration Grant for wastewater.

Discussion occurred with respect to the grant application itself; the Building Canada grant application has a scoring system for categories such as collaboration, health and safety, cleaner environment, capital planning process, etc. Fields need to be completed in this electronic application and attachments/ supporting information is not allowed. The chances for a successful application would drop significantly if a municipality would apply individually rather than collaborating with others. The maximum that can be applied for is \$9 million. There are a list of ineligible costs; Administration is to check and see if effluent pumps can be purchased as part of the project cost.

Administration advised that there is no disadvantage financially to apply collaboratively for this grant application. The Summer Village is not locked into the MPE report as the grant application does not require that level of detail. Mayor Pratt agreed that applying collaboratively is important.

Discussion occurred regarding the preferred route for the line; one alternative is to follow Norris Beach road and the other option is to lay the pipe under Norris Beach creek. Deputy Mayor Churchill indicated that going up Norris Beach road is the safest and preferred route.

Councillor Bell stated that another aspect to consider is that is the Summer Village preserving its independence; is the Summer Village collaborating solely for financial reasons or is a wider message being sent to residents. Both Mayor Pratt and Deputy Mayor Churchill affirmed their position that more points are assigned to projects that collaborate with other municipalities and they are in favor of applying for the grant.

Councillor Bell discussed the formation of a new commission and the advice obtained from legal counsel and Municipal Affairs on the matter. There is an assumption that the County of Wetaskiwin will maintain it but other providers haven't been considered.

Administration advised that the deadline for the grant application is April 2nd and that the application can't be late or it will not be considered for funding.

Res. # 15-17

Moved by Councillor Bell that the following motion be provided with a recorded vote.

CARRIED

Res. # 15-18

Moved by Councillor Bell that the Summer Village of Crystal Springs Council is deciding only on the 2015 Building Canada grant applications at this meeting, not on the local collection system.

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

Opposed: None

CARRIED

Res. # 15-19

Moved by Councillor Bell that the following motion be provided with a recorded vote.

CARRIED

Res. # 15-20

Moved by Councillor Bell that the Summer Village of Crystal Springs 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.

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

Opposed: None

CARRIED

b. Phase 3 – Road Reconstruction

Res. # 15-21

Moved by Deputy Mayor Churchill that the following motion be provided with a recorded vote.

CARRIED

Res. # 15-22

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

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

Opposed: None


CARRIED

- H. FINANCIAL REPORTS
- I. CORRESPONDENCE / INFORMATION ITEMS
- J. IN CAMERA
- K. ADJOURNMENT

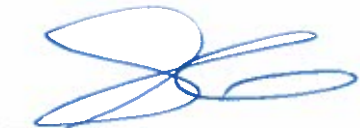
Res. #15-23

Moved by Deputy Mayor Churchill to adjourn the meeting at 11:19 a.m.

CARRIED



Kevin Pratt, Mayor
Summer Village of Crystal Springs



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