

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF GRANDVIEW
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2015 AT 11:00 A.M.
SUMMER VILLAGES OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
603-2ND AVENUE, MA-ME-O BEACH, ALBERTA**

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Don Davidson
Deputy Mayor Hugh Read
Councillor Ken Lewis

Administration: Sylvia Roy, CAO

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Davidson called the meeting to Order at 11:03 a.m.

A. ADOPTION OF AND ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Res. #15-26

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

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2015

Res. #15-27

Moved by Councillor Lewis to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2015 as presented.

CARRIED

2. Special Council Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2015

Res. #15-28

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read to approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2015 as amended.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS

At 1:44 pm council welcomed Laura Marcato of Seniuk and Company, who presented the Grandview 2014 audited financial statements. Council thanked Ms. Marcato and she departed from Council Chambers.

D. READING OF BYLAWS & POLICIES

1. Bylaw #299, Rates of Taxation for 2015.

Res. # 15-29

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read to give First Reading to Bylaw #299, Rates of Taxation for 2015, as presented.

CARRIED

Res. # 15-30

Moved by Councillor Lewis to give Second Reading to Bylaw #299, Rates of Taxation for 2015, as presented.

CARRIED

Res. # 15-31

Moved by Mayor Davidson to proceed to Third Reading for Bylaw #299, Rates of Taxation for 2015, as presented.

CARRIED

Res. # 15-32

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read to give Third Reading to Bylaw #299, Rates of Taxation for 2015, as presented.

CARRIED

E. REPORTS FROM STAFF/RESOLUTIONS

1. Follow-Up Report

The follow up sheet was reviewed. Council discussed costs for a speed sign; a local auction site had a solar powered one for \$2500-\$3000 while one with a radar gun is approximately \$5,000. Alberta Traffic Supply will also be contacted to investigate the possibility of rental of a speed sign.

2. Development Report

Development in the Summer Village was discussed.

3. CAO Report

Council reviewed the CAO report covering the period from January 1st to March 31, 2015.

F. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Regional Wastewater Committee

Mayor Davidson referred to the regional wastewater committee meeting that took place on April 2, 2015 and raised some concerns over the proposed "Memorandum of Understanding and Interim Agreement" which was presented.

Mayor Davidson has prepared a list of comments on the draft MOU, which was shared with all participating municipalities.

For the Wastewater Services Agreement, Mayor Davidson suggested that the south side commission bills the municipalities on actual charges at the end of the year with an operating reserve set up to provide funds to the interim operator to undertake the required actions of the regional system. This would reduce Administration costs.

a. MOU and Interim Agreement

Council supported Mayor Davidson's approach and comments as mentioned above.

b. Wastewater Services Agreement

As per comments above, Council expressed agreement with the approach to annual billing.

2. South Side Wastewater Committee

A south side waste water committee meeting was held on April 15, 2015. One new south side commission and each municipality running their wastewater as a municipal utility was agreed upon. The final MPE report is complete. Legal counsel will be sought for agreements and bylaws. The Orenco STEP pump system was discussed.

A south side wastewater open house was scheduled to be held on June 13, 2015 at 10:00 am at the Ma-Me-O Beach community hall.

3. Alliance of Pigeon Lake Municipalities

a. In Lake Technical Committee Request for Funding

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 Services with the view that the sampling may assist with more accurate declaration of algae advisories.

While Grandview Council is concerned with potential algae blooms, they are not prepared to provide funding to duplicate a program that is currently being undertaken by Alberta Health Services.

Res. #15-33

Moved by Councillor Lewis that the Summer Village of Grandview decline the request for funding for a sampling program made by the Alliance of Pigeon Lake Municipalities In-Lake Technical Committee.

CARRIED

4. Alberta Municipal Affairs – Response from Minister Diana McQueen

Council reviewed a letter from the Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs in response to Mayor Davidson's letter regarding algae advisories and specifically Zeiner Park septic field. The Minister has offered to arrange a meeting with Mayor Davidson and Alberta Environment, which Mayor Davidson has accepted.

5. Letter from Snow Removal Contractors

Council reviewed a letter from the snow removal contractor concerning an extension to the term. Council agreed to the extension but requested additional information concerning the rate for snowplowing during mid-storm purposes or for low snow accumulations.

Council is very pleased with the service.

6. Posting of Fertilizer/ Herbicide Ban

Council will be contacting Administration to order a sign and advise of the best location where it can be installed.

7. Council Code of Conduct Policy Review

This policy will be deferred to the Joint Services Committee with Deputy Mayor Read's comments.

8. Joint Services Committee

At the recent Joint Services Committee Meeting, Deputy Mayor Churchill from Crystal Springs discussed the water rescue proposal and advised that the County of Wetaskiwin submitted an application for provincial government sponsorship. The grant request of \$157,000 was denied. However, an event called the Taste of Summer, sponsored by residents of Crystal Keys, is going ahead this year with the proceeds going towards water rescue. The Taste of Summer event is scheduled for Saturday on the August long weekend; they are expecting \$5-10,000 to be raised. The plan is to see how much money is raised, then go back to the municipalities for the difference up to the required \$25,000. The \$25,000 is for capital expenditures; \$1,000/year is still required for operating expenses.

Argentia Beach, Golden Days, Ma-Me-O Beach and Poplar Bay will be adopting a fertilizer/herbicide bylaw similar to that of the Grandview's at their upcoming Council Meetings. Norris Beach still has the bylaw under review, while Crystal Springs has decided to educate their residents regarding the use of fertilizers/herbicides rather than adopting a bylaw.

Discussion of Community Peace Officers/Bylaw Officers took place at the Joint Services Committee meeting. A Community Peace Officer designation is required to write parking tickets and other similar tickets. Speeding concerns will need to be addressed by the RCMP, who are currently patrolling the Summer Villages. RCMP should also be contacted for noisy parties/ impaired drivers. It was decided that bylaw enforcement would be done by Administration by writing letters to offending parties in addition to taking appropriate actions for Land Use Bylaw infractions.

The Summer Villages Office will be open Monday to Friday during the summer months instead of Tuesday to Saturday. The office staff recorded the amount of Saturday business that was conducted in 2014 and it wasn't deemed to be sufficient to keep the office open on Saturday. The Development Officer is still available by appointment after office hours and/or weekends. This information will be inserted into the upcoming newsletter.

9. Chief Administrative Officer Contract

Res. #15-34

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read that the Summer Village of Grandview enter into the Chief Administrative Officer agreement with Sylvia Roy, as presented.

CARRIED

10. Road

As a result of the AltaGas line replacement last year, there are holes in the road and the road has depressions in some spots. Council directed Administration to advise AltaGas contractors that during their spring finalization, the holes need to be repaired. Council also discussed a possible remediation project for the road.

11. Summer Student

The same summer student as last year has returned again this year. He will be starting work with the Summer Village on May 10 with grass cutting each weekend as required an working for two days each week for Grandview during July and August.

12. Letter to City of Edmonton

Mayor Davidson was requested to write a letter to the City of Edmonton regarding a fertilizer/herbicide ban. A letter was drafted and will be sent to the City. The letter will also be posted on the website.

13. Boat Mooring

Council and Administration attended a boat mooring forum hosted by the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta, presented by Mr. Gerry Haekel of Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development. Mr. Haekel is gathering feedback from Summer Villages on boat lifts, docks and hoists in Alberta lakes. The feedback obtained from Summer Villages will help to create the policy which will eventually be implemented by the provincial department.

The restriction to not install docks in front of road allowances is a concern, as some residents don't have any other option. In addition, while it may be necessary for the Province to draft regulations, Council still wishes to retain the right to implement their own local rules.

Council will review the information and compile a submission for the ASVA to submit to the Province.

14. Alberta Municipal Affairs Minister's Award for Municipal Excellence

This year's deadline for submissions for the Minister's Awards is May 29, 2015. It was decided that the Summer Village of Grandview would submit an application for its work on watershed stewardship.

Res. #15-35

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read that the Summer Village of Grandview make a submission to the Minister's Award for Municipal Excellence in the Smaller Communities category for the work completed on watershed stewardship projects within the Summer Village including the new Land Use Bylaw and Fertilizer/Herbicide Restriction Bylaw.

CARRIED

15. Newsletter

A newsletter will be prepared for posting during the month of May to provide updates on Village news.

16. Weed Inspector Appointment

Res. #15-36

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read that the Summer Village of Grandview appoint Don Davidson on a volunteer basis to be the weed inspector for the Summer Village of Grandview for 2015.

CARRIED

17. Meet and Greet

The next Meet and Greet with Council is scheduled for May 17, 2015, at 3:00 pm at the Hamblin Park gazebo.

G. FINANCIAL

1. Cheque Listing

Res. # 15-37

Moved by Councillor Lewis that the cheque listing be accepted as information.

CARRIED

2. 2015 Joint Services Committee Budget

Res. #15-38

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read to approve the 2015 Joint Services Committee budget as presented.

CARRIED

3. 2015 Budget

Council approved 0% in the overall increase. Also, there was a drop in the school requisition for 2015.

Res. #15-39

Moved by Councillor Lewis to approve the 2015 Grandview budget as amended.

CARRIED

4. 2014 Audited Financial Statements

Res. #15-40

Moved by Deputy Mayor Read to approve the 2014 Summer Village of Grandview financial statements, as amended.

CARRIED

Res. #15-41

Moved by Councillor Lewis to transfer \$400,000 from unrestricted operating surplus into capital wastewater reserve.

CARRIED

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Pigeon Lake Watershed Association Newsletter
2. County of Wetaskiwin News Release for PLWA
3. AUMA Board News
4. Government of Alberta – New West Partnership Trade Agreement (NWPTA)
5. Alberta Lake Management Society – AWQA Day 2015
6. CARL Forum
7. Yellowhead Regional Library Annual Report
8. Farmers of North America Memorandum
9. Alberta Municipal Affairs – MSI Capital Funding Allocation
10. Alberta Municipal Affairs – Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence
11. WCB April 28, 2015 – National Day of Mourning

Res. #15-42

Moved by Councillor Lewis to accept the above 11 items as information.

CARRIED

I. ADJOURNMENT

Res. #15-43

Moved by Mayor Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 3:07 pm.

CARRIED



Don Davidson, Mayor
Summer Village of Grandview



Sylvia Roy, C.A.O.
Summer Village of Grandview