

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, October 26, 2009 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, Councilor

Sylvia Roy, CAO

Delegations:

Walter Schlese, Resident

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor MacEachern called the Meeting to Order at 9:04 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. #09- 100

Moved by Councillor Hall to adopt the agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Res. #09- 101

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 25, 2009 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

At 9:06 am Council welcomed Mr. Walter Schlese, Crystal Springs resident. Mr. Schlese expressed concerns over the trail system in Crystal Springs and some inconsiderate trail users in the Cherry Park area. Mr. Schlese suggested that a committee should be struck to monitor trails and create policies concerning their use. Council thanked Mr. Schlese; Mr. Schlese and Mr. John Johnson left Council Chambers at 10:28 am.

BYLAWS AND POLICIES

Bylaw #197, Tax Penalty Bylaw

Res. #09-102

Moved by Councillor Hall to give first reading Bylaw #197, Tax Penalty Bylaw.

CARRIED

Res. #09-103

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to give second reading Bylaw #197, Tax Penalty Bylaw.

CARRIED

Res. #09-104

Moved by Mayor MacEachern to proceed to third reading for Bylaw #197, Tax Penalty Bylaw.

CARRIED

Res. #09-105

Moved by Councillor Hall to give third reading Bylaw #197, Tax Penalty Bylaw.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Pigeon Lake Protective Service Report for September 2009
2. Development Permits - 2009
3. Minister Danyluk Letter Re: Safety Codes Council
4. Letter Re: Safety Codes Act Review
5. County of Wetaskiwin/ Summer Village Meeting
6. Notes from meeting with Ken Carlson – October 15, 2009

Res. #09-106

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to accept the above 6 items as information.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT

Council and Administration reviewed various grant funding opportunities with which to fund the wastewater project (local collection system); Administration will rework current strategies and return them to Council for further review at a future Council Meeting.

Res. #09-107

Moved by Councillor Hall to transfer the NEPL dividend into the wastewater reserve.

CARRIED

Res. #09-108

Moved by Councillor Hall to move the MSI Operating grant funding excess into the tax stabilization reserve with the view that it may be used towards future leasehold improvements.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

Follow-Up Sheet

Council reviewed the follow up sheet and suggested agenda items for the South Side Summer Village/ County of Wetaskiwin Meeting in December.

Wastewater Projects

Pigeon Lake Regional Wastewater Committee

Mayor MacEachern updated Council on the Regional Wastewater Committee meeting held on October 21, 2009, and advised that Associated Engineering is to distribute the preliminary design study by November 16, 2009, with the next Committee meeting scheduled for November 24, 2009.

Recess: 10:22 am

Reconvene: 10:28 am

Local Wastewater Collection System

Council discussed the Wastewater Collection System Concept Design Study. Council discussed the need for other alternatives and indicated to Mayor MacEachern that more detail was required.

At 10:28 am Council welcomed Jeff Fetter of Associated Engineering. Mr. Fetter indicated that the Summer Village Council will need to make decisions prior to the detailed design stage (i.e. whether double/vacant lots will require service on both lots, as in the case of multiple lots owned by one owner).

Mr. Fetter also reviewed physical information (distance to road, existing utilities) and discussion took place regarding the use of grinder pumps or step pumps. The two types of pumps operate differently hydraulically, and while grinder pumps may be more costly to purchase, the need to have holding tanks cleaned is eliminated. Mr. Fetter stated that municipalities can not share a pipe to a lift station if the municipalities are using different types of pumps. Council discussed a preference for step pumps that require 220 volt power as they are alleged to be less expensive to maintain. Mr. Fetter also mentioned back-up power generators for the pump stations in case of power outages. Mr. Fetter will provide Council with cost comparisons for step versus grinder pumps. Council thanked Mr. Fetter and he left Council Chambers at 12:02 pm.

Recess: 12:02 pm
Reconvene: 12:29 pm

Snow Removal

Res. #09-109

Moved by Deputy Mayor Sanders to enter into agreement with Brian Resta for snow clearing for Crystal Springs for the 2009 – 2010 season.

CARRIED

Association of Pigeon Lake Municipalities

Council discussed the upcoming A.P.L.M. meeting and requested that Administration add recycling to the agenda.

Municipal Maps

Res. #09-110

Moved by Councillor Hall that Administration provide maps with ratepayer names to ratepayers upon request.

CARRIED

Council expressed their appreciation of some newly created office maps depicting the Crystal Springs trail system.

Joint Services Committee Meeting

Deputy Mayor Sanders provided Council with an update on the library lease that is under negotiation.

Pigeon Lake Summer Villages Strategic Alliance

Next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2009.

Southside Summer Villages Amalgamation

A letter will be drafted, signed by the Mayors of Crystal Springs, Norris Beach, Grandview and Poplar Bay and sent to Minister Danyluk.

Trails

Councillor Hall has been in contact with the County of Wetaskiwin regarding trails in the Village at Pigeon Lake area to work together with the County in the establishment of trail systems to benefit all residents.

At the upcoming strategic planning session, Council and Administration will address the need for policy for the trail system in the Summer Village. This will be relayed to Messrs. Schlese and Johnson.

Newsletter

Council reviewed the draft newsletter and made suggestions for revision.

Capital Region Assessment Services Commission (C.R.A.S.C.)

Res. #09-111

Moved by Councillor Hall to advise C.R.A.S.C. that the Summer Village of Crystal Springs is interested in the proposed C.R.A.S.C. models relating to Assessment Complaints.

CARRIED

Alberta Summer Village Association (A.S.V.A.) Conference

Deputy Mayor Sanders provided an update regarding the A.S.V.A. convention and indicated that Seba Beach had an interesting property management policy that Councils may want to review.

Yellowhead Regional Library

Deputy Mayor Sanders indicated that the last Yellowhead Regional Library meeting was a conference call during which they discussed budget and changes to governance.

Adjournment

Res. #09 -112

Moved by Mayor MacEachern that the meeting be adjourned at 1:28 pm.

CARRIED

Signed Original on File

N. Roger MacEachern, Mayor
Summer Village of Crystal Springs

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