

VILLAGE OF THORSBY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 28, 2011
7:00 PM

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of Council was called to order by Mayor Rasch, at 7:00 P.M.
- Present: Mayor: Barry Rasch
- Councillors: Rick Hart
Joanne Osness
Cathryne Pharis
Mitch Williams
- CAO: Harold Wynne
- Recording Secretary: Marianne Belozer
- Delegation: Grant Clark – KCL Consulting Inc.
- Reporters: Coreena Van Cappelle, Thorsby Target
Dave Lawzarino, Leduc Representative
- Agenda: Councillor Hart requested an addition of 2 items under Closed Session, Mayor Rasch requested an addition of Discussion item #3 Community Fit Donation request, Discussion item #4 Playground Sand at Rec Complex and 1 item for Closed Session, CAO Wynne requested an addition to Delegation #1 Grant Clark – KCL Consulting Inc., #2 Delegation to Closed Session, addition of Discussion item #5 39/20 Alliance Marketing Project and 1 item under Closed Session.
- 2011-157 Moved by Councillor Osness to adopt the agenda as amended.
Carried.
- 2011-158 Moved by Councillor Osness to accept the June 14, 2011 Regular meeting minutes as presented.
Carried.

DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

1. Grant Clark – KCL Consulting Inc.

Mayor Rasch welcomed Mr. Clark to the meeting of Council.

Mr. Clark approached Council and distributed a handout depicting the assessment process.

He opened his presentation to Council by giving an overview of his background and experience, stating that he has been in the business for 25 years

Mr. Clark then explained how the whole assessment process works and the rules that guide the procedure.

He concluded his presentation by answering questions from Council members.

Mayor Rasch thanked Mr. Clark for his attendance.

REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS/BYLAWS

1. Administration Reports

CAO Wynne went over CSM Burkes' report with Council.

- Property Taxation
- Grants
- Revised Assessments
- Staffing

CAO Wynne went over his report with Council.

- Parks and Recreation – New full-time Director
- FCSS – New part-time Coordinator
- Public Works roadway maintenance update
- Summer Villages Administration – New Municipal Clerk
- RCMP Presentation – Community Policing Plan for the 39/20 Alliance

Councillor Pharis requested that an informal joint meeting be set up with the Summer Village Councils to see how everything is going.

2011-159 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the Administration Reports as presented.
Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Leduc/Nisku EDA – 2011 Yangyang Mushroom Festival Invitation

2011-160 Moved by Councillor Osness to accept this item as information.
Carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Thorsby Roofing Projects

CAO Wynne reminded Council members that \$30,000.00 was budgeted for re-furbishing the roof of the Village office, but he wanted to make Council aware that the Community Hall roof was also in need of repair as the shingles were lifting.

Council members discussed this issue and felt the Community Hall roof may take priority over the Village office.

CAO Wynne will look at getting some costs for re-shingling the Community Hall.

Mayor Rasch said that Council will look forward to what the CAO brings forward.

2. Pigeon Lake Water Consortium Resolution

2011-161 Moved by Councillor Hart that the Village of Thorsby support (a) the formation of a consortium of Pigeon Lake municipalities for the purpose of applying for a water transfer license to take water from the North Saskatchewan River into Pigeon Lake; and (b) gathering supporting information and meeting with provincial officials to prepare an application for formal approval by a majority of the municipalities before it is to be submitted to Alberta Environment.
Carried.

3. Community Fit Donation Request

Mayor Rasch brought up the \$200.00 donation request that was made from the group at the last regular meeting of Council.

He suggested that Council support the community walk by sponsoring the event that is also a fundraiser for the complex.

Discussion commenced among Council members.

2011-162 Moved by Mayor Rasch that Council support the fundraiser event in the month of August by donating \$200.00 to the group.
Carried. (voted 4 to 1 – Councillor Hart opposed)

4. Complex Playground Sand

Mayor Rasch advised Council that an abundance of water has been sitting in the playground by the rec complex and he wondered if there would be an opportunity to raise up the sand base.

Discussion commenced among Council members.

CAO Wynne responded by saying that there is a large drainage issue in the whole area around the recreation complex and that Council might want to consider making this a capital project plan.

Mayor Rasch asked CAO Wynne if he could look into a temporary fix for now.

5. 39/20 Alliance Marketing Project

CAO Wynne advised Council that Calmar has retained a company to help them build a marketing plan and that the Alliance communities were invited to partake in a regional joint marketing, economic development and tourism plan.

CAO Wynne suggested that Council may want to put something in next years' budget for this initiative.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mayor Rasch
- Vitalize Conference
 - Mayors Caucus
 - Volunteer Appreciation
 - Park Development Committee

- Councillor Osness
- None at this time

- Councillor Williams
- Chamber of Commerce meeting

- Councillor Pharis
- Volunteer Appreciation

- Councillor Hart
- Leduc Foundation
 - Leduc/Nisku EDA

2011-163 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the reports as information.
Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cheque Register 022777 to 022821

2011-164 Moved by Councillor Osness to accept the cheque register as information.
Carried.

2011-165 Moved by Councillor Hart to recess at 8:30 P.M.
Carried.

2011-166 Mayor Rasch called the meeting back to order at 8:40 P.M.
Carried.

CLOSED SESSION

2011-167 Moved by Councillor Hart that the meeting go into closed session at 8:40 P.M.
Carried.

2011-168 Moved by Councillor Hart to return to the regular meeting of Council at 10:00 P.M.
Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

2011-169 Moved by Councillor Hart to adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 10:20 P.M.
Carried.

Harold Wynne, CAO

Barry Rasch, Mayor

Date Adopted