

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNDANCE BEACH
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Village of Thorsby Council Chambers
July 21, 2011
7:00 PM**

Call to Order: The regular meeting of Council was called to order by Mayor Pellatt, at 7:35 pm.

Present: Mayor: Peter Pellatt
Councilors: Brian Waterhouse
Allan Harris
CAO: Harold Wynne
CSM: Christine Burke, Recording Secretary

AGENDA

Agenda: Councilor Harris requested an addition of discussion items #2 & 3 Tax Payments and Weir at Pigeon Lake. C.A.O. Wynne requested the addition of discussion items #4, #5, #6 & #7 Annual Information Meeting, Paving at Sundance, Survey and Alberta Water Council Nomination.

2011-034 Moved by Councilor Waterhouse to adopt the agenda as modified.
Carried.

MINUTES

2011-035 Moved by Mayor Pellatt adopt the June 6, 2011 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.
Carried.

REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS

1. Admin Reports

CAO Wynne gave a brief update of the tasks dealt with and projects that need attention.

C.A.O. Wynne updated Council on development of New Water Treatment Plant at Thorsby and impact on wastewater disposal through to Thorsby Lagoon site. He advised that consideration is being given to the future needs of the Thorsby community and sister communities that currently dispose of septic pump outs through our system, and the impact of legislation regarding release of wastewater into the environment. The possibility of purchase of additional land for lagoon expansion was discussed.

2011-036 Moved by Mayor Pellatt that the Council of Sundance Beach is supportive of Village of Thorsby purchasing of lands for expansion and development of the lagoon site, and would be willing to consider equity share options going forward.
Carried.

C.A.O. Wynne continued with his report and the following items were discussed.

- Wotherspoon property - Need to check for development permit
- Review LUB as it pertains to deck height
- Need to revisit development bylaw on PUL
- Follow up on water well at Community Hall – Kim to confirm capacity
- Develop Quality Master Plan
- Need to develop OH & S
- Website – New Domain registration
- New website is being built
- Speed limit and parking signs - brief discussion took place with Council instructing administration to arrange No Parking Signs
- Easement Holders Association – roles and responsibilities now clarified and
- Fencing – discussion was held regarding the plan for fencing various areas. Photographs attached were used for discussion purposes. Council instructed administration that existing access for pedestrian, equestrian and Off Road Vehicles to Vine is to be maintained. Questions arose regarding the current bylaw and what it allows and if amendment might be required and it was felt that a case might be made for aesthetic improvement of existing fencing posts through use of grant monies.

Access in to and out of Sundance Estates to remain as is. Council felt that is was for the residents of Sundance Estates and their administration to address if changes were needed.
Item tabled – to be reviewed more fully at a later date.

2. Pigeon Lake Protective Services Report

Accepted as information

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Annual Protective & Public Safety Services Report
- b. Alta Municipal Affairs – MSI project acceptance
- c. Alta Municipal Affairs – Assessment Audit Report
- d. Yellowhead Regional Library – Annual Report letter & booklet
- e. AUMA Convention and AMSC Tradeshow letter & booklet

2011-037 Moved by Councilor Waterhouse to accept the above items as information
Carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Tax Penalty Bylaw

Council briefly discussed the recommendation by administration that the penalties be deferred for this year only to August 1st due to the Postal Strike which may hinder submission of tax levies from residents

2011-038 Moved by Councilor Waterhouse to accept the recommendation to defer penalties until August 1, 2011
Carried.

2. Tax Payment Options

Councilor Harris requested an update on payment options available to residents regarding payment of property taxes. Administration advised that things were progressing with our bank to allow payment online and testing will be happening shortly for automatic withdrawal for residents who wish to be on the Tax Installment Plan..

3. Weir on Pigeon Lake

Council directed Administration to find out more on the weir at Pigeon Lake.

4. Annual Information Meeting

Administration confirmed that the A.I.M is scheduled for August 6, 2011 at the Community Hall and notices and newsletter being prepared for distribution and mail out to residents this week.

5. Paving at Sundance

Administration advised Council that paving work is being carried out Silver Beach and recommended that Council view the work carried out, with consideration of what similar work might be appropriate for Sundance Beach through use of available grant monies

6. Survey

Administration updated Council regarding R.F.P. (Request for Proposal) for the survey work that was being organized by our engineers M.T.S. Mr. Tyler of M.T.S. had discovered what he believed to be an error by land titles while researching a project. The original Order in Council placed a boundary at a different location than was recorded by Land Titles documentation. Administration directed to follow up and ensure correct boundary is recorded by Land Titles.

7. Alberta Water Council Nomination

2011-039 Moved by Councilor Harris to nominate Councilor Waterhouse as the representative
Carried.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Mayor Pellatt informed Council that he met with Alberta Environment and other dignitaries July 14th. He advised Council that he found the session informative but negative. Alberta Environment would not approve transfer of water from one body to another; any approved transfer would be for drinking water only. Noted that the County of Wetaskiwin, declined support for the project.

Mayor Pellatt offered Kudos to Fire Chief Norm Osness, regarding the recent excellent tour provided of the Fire Hall to his Grandson.

Councilor Water House – Nothing to report

Councilor Harris – nothing to report

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cheque register Cheques 001098 – 001106
2. Approved 2011 Operating Budget Update

2011-040 Moved by Mayor Pellatt that the reports be accepted as information
Carried.

CLOSED SESSION

2011-041 Moved by Mayor Pellatt that the meeting go into closed session at 9:55 P.M.
Carried.

2011-042 Moved by Councilor Harris to return to the regular meeting of Council at 10:05 P.M.
Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

2011-043 Mayor Pellatt moved the meeting adjourn at 10:06 P.M.

Harold Wynne, CAO

Peter Pellatt, Mayor

September 1, 2011
Date Adopted