

TOWN OF SMOKY LAKE Regular Council Meeting

Wednesday July 16, 2008 - 7:00 pm

Town Council Chambers Smoky Lake, Alberta

PRESENT: Dave Franchuk Mayor
John Cherniwchan Deputy Mayor
Nathan Taylor Councilor
Therese Taschuk Councilor
David Paches Councilor

ADMINISTRATION: Tom Carney Chief Administrative Officer

PRESS: Smoky Lake Signal

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dave Franchuk called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION #316/08 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

That the July 16, 2008 agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 12 m) Back Alley
- 12 n) Gophers
- 12 o) Canada Day
- 12 p) Heritage Days
- 12 q) Taxes
- 12 k) Employee Recognition
- 14 a) Personnel

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

MOTION #317/08 **MOVED** by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That the delegation start time be moved from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

CARRIED

a) Henry Holowaychuk

Mr. Holowaychuk along with roughly 20 rate payers were present to discuss the following:

- High Property Taxes
- Viability of the Town of Smoky Lake
- Possible Amalgamation with the County
- Would like to pay the same taxes as 2007
- The Town residents have reached their braking point

Mayor Dave Franchuk thanked the residents of Smoky Lake for attending and bringing forward their concerns

Mayor Dave Franchuk called for a recess at 8:59 pm

Mayor Dave Franchuk called the meeting back to order at 9:08 pm

4. QUESTION PERIOD

No questions at this time

5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a) June 18, 2008 Regular Council Meeting
- b) July 7, 2008 Special Personnel Meeting

MOTION #318/08

MOVED by Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

That the July 7, 2008 minutes be adopted as presented and that the June 18, 2008 Minutes be adopted as Amended/Corrected:

That the Mayor be taken off of the absent list as he was in attendance

Motion #303 to read as follows: That the town supports the Pumpkin Growers any way they can and to donate a \$1000.00 for materials, supplies and candy

CARRIED

6. COUNCIL REPORTS

a) Mayor Dave Franchuk

Reported he attended the following:

- Economic Development Meeting
- Joint Municipal Meeting
- Evergreen Regional Waste
- Economic Development
- Regional Water Meeting

b) Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

Reported he attended the following:

- Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- Joint Municipal Meeting
- Community Futures Meeting
- Ag Society Meeting
- Curling Club Meeting

c) Councilor Therese Taschuk

Reported she attended the following:

- Joint Municipal Meeting
- Library Meeting
- Special Council Meeting Personnel
- Regional Water Meeting

d) Councilor Dave Paches

Reported he attended the following:

- Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- Joint Municipal Meeting
- Special Council Meeting
- Foundation Meeting

e) Councilor Nathan Taylor

Reported he attended the following:

- Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- NE Hub Meeting
- Economic Development
- Regional Water
- Joint Municipal Meeting
- Community Futures Meeting

MOTION #319/08

MOVED by Councilor Therese Taschuk

That the Council Reports be accepted as presented

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

a) Administration Report

- Have finished the following grant reports:
Municipal Sponsorship 2006, Alberta Recycling, Ambulance
- Trying to get caught up on administrative duties
- Being dealing with all sorts of complaints
- Had a parade meeting on July 15, 2008 things are shaping up nicely, next meeting will be Attended Town Tour with Council
- Been working with Jane from MPS services regarding the new planning development issues
- Been working with Town life will be in on Thursday to set up e mail accounts

MOTION #320/08

MOVED by Councilor Dave Paches

That the Administration report and information listing be accepted as presented

CARRIED

Mayor Dave Franchuk called for a recess at 7:53 pm

Mayor Dave Franchuk called the meeting back to order at 8:01 pm

8. FINANCIAL REPORTS

a) Accounts Payable/Payroll and Invoices

MOTION #321/08

MOVED by Councilor Dave Paches

That Accounts Payable listing except for cheques 1695 and 1678 in the amount of \$10,449.94 and \$7476.59 and that the Payroll direct deposits and cheques in the amount of \$6,200.00 be accepted as information

CARRIED

b) Bank Reconciliation

MOTION #322/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That the Bank Reconciliation be tabled until Council has had the opportunity to review them

CARRIED

9. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND GAS

a) July Gas/June Production Report

MOTION #323/08

MOVED by Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

That natural gas prices of \$9.70 an MCF and gas well production of 1583.2 an MCF for the month of June be accepted as information

CARRIED

10. PUBLIC WORKS

- Crack filling was completed
- Potholes are being filled
- Grass cutting as time permits
- Raw supply line at WTP supplying aerator tank and transfer pumps was cleaned – plugging off with iron deposits – header was cleaned
- Tree pruning as time permits
- Routine being done daily – Gas and Water
- Fence at lagoon repaired
- Pumpkin and Trailer was given to Ernie Prusko to prepare for parades
- Organized south shop
- Rebuilt high lift pump – new motor and pump installed at WTP by Boundary Electric
- Back Was timers failed – waiting for new timers

MOTION #324/08

MOVED by Councilor Therese Taschuk

That the Public Works report for the Month of July be accepted as information

CARRIED

11. EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

a) Fire Service

Councilor Therese Taschuk reported that there was some concern regarding individuals taking training courses (the same course) 3 and 4 times at the expense of the Town

MOTION #325/08

MOVED by Councilor Dave Paches

That the information from the Fire Committee be accepted as presented and that the Cao look into Town policy regarding training and report back to Council

CARRIED

12. GENERAL GOVERNANCE SERVICES

a) Third Reading of By-Law No. 006-08

MOTION #326/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That By-Law No. 008-08 be given the 3rd and final reading

CARRIED

b) By Law No. 007-08

MOTION #327/08

MOVED by Mayor Dave Franchuk

That By-Law No. 007-08 be tabled until more information can be obtained

CARRIED

c) By Law No. 009-08

MOTION #328/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That By-Law No. 009-08 be given 3rd reading

DEFEATED

d) By Law No. 010-08

MOTION #329/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That By-Law No. 010-08 be given 3rd reading

DEFEATED

e) Cancellation of Tax Levy and Penalty

MOTION #330/08

MOVED by Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

That the Tax Levy and Penalty in the Amount of \$629.88 for property Roll #1000013 be waived

CARRIED

f) Soccer Provincials Playoffs

MOTION #331/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That the Town give a \$100.00 in support of the Under 12 girls soccer team for qualifying for provincials

CARRIED

g) Fire Department Request

MOTION #332/08

MOVED by Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

That we donate \$250.00 to The Fire Department for Pizza and Refreshments for after the fireworks

CARRIED

h) Bonne Nuit Bed and Breakfast

MOTION #333/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That the Town donate a Sandstone to the Bonne Nuit Bed and Breakfast

CARRIED

i) Liberal Candidate Fundraiser

MOTION #334/08

MOVED by Councilor Dave Paches

That the Town allow the Liberal Candidate to hold her hotdog fundraiser at Devonion Park on August 2

CARRIED

j) Smoky Lake Inn

MOTION #335/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That the request to build a wheel chair ramp and patio be tabled until more information can be gathered

CARRIED

k) Consolidation of Land

MOTION #336/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That By-Law No. 011-08 be given 1st reading

CARRIED

MOTION #337/08

MOVED by Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

That By-Law No. 011-08 be given 2nd Reading

CARRIED

l) Land Use Bylaw Amendment fees

MOTION #338/08

MOVED by Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan

That the Bylaw amendment fees be tabled until more information can be obtained

CARRIED

m) Storm Drain

MOTION #339/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That Public Works look into this drain and make recommendations and that a decision be tabled until a recommendation is brought back to Council

CARRIED

n) Gopher Control

Deputy Mayor John Cherniwchan reported that his concerns were addressed in the Public Works report

o) Canada Day/Heritage Day

Council reported that there were some members in the community who were disappointed that there were no Canada activities. Mayor Franchuk also mention that the demolition derby was not going to held this year during the rodeo

MOTION #340/08

MOVED by Mayor Franchuk

that the town put on an old fashioned BBQ in absence of any Canada Day activities and the lack of the Demolition Derby. BBQ to be held on the 4th of August

DEFEATED

13. Correspondence

a) Victim Services

Tom reported that the Town donated \$150.00 to the Victim Services 2nd annual golf Tournament that was held on July 16, 2008

MOTION #341/08

MOVED by Councilor Dave Paches

That the Town accept Tom's report and the letter as information

CARRIED

b) Alta Gas

MOTION #342/08

MOVED by Councilor Therese Taschuk

That the Town accept this letter as information

CARRIED

c) Municipal Affairs

MOTION #343/08

MOVED by Councilor Therese Taschuk

That the Town accept this letter as information

CARRIED

Mayor Dave Franchuk called for a recess at 10:40 pm

Mayor Dave Franchuk called the meeting back to order at 10:44 pm

14. In-Camera Session

MOTION #344/08

MOVED by Councilor David Paches

That Town Council form a "Committee of the Whole" at 10:44 pm to discuss the following:

a) Personnel

CARRIED

MOTION #345/08

MOVED by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That the "Committee of the Whole" revert back to regular meeting of Town Council at 10:58 pm

CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #346/08

MOVED by Councilor Dave Paches

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:59 pm

CARRIED

Dave Franchuk
Mayor

Tom Carney
CAO