

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ANNUAL RATEPAYER'S OF THE VILLAGE OF BEISEKER HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 1979 AT 8:00 P.M. AT THE BEISEKER MEMORIAL HALL.

PRESENT: MAYOR: John L. Richter
DEPUTY MAYOR: Dan Benoit
COUNCILLOR: Con Carter
COUNCILLOR: Ron Rice
COUNCILLOR: Roy Whitnack
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR: Pam Whitnack
COLLINS BARROW - representatives - Ron Belsher
- Dave Patrino

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Richter called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and opened the meeting with introductions of Council members, representatives of Collins Barrow and Village employees.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

The Mayor then asked for nominations for a Chairman for the meeting. Leroy Whitnack nominated Ray Courtman. Eugene Mastel moved nominations cease. Carried. Mr. Courtman then took over as Chairman for the meeting.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the Ratepayer's Meeting held May 31, 1978 were read by the Administrator. Milton Martin moved, Wayne Straub seconded that the minutes be accepted as read. Carried. The motion was opposed by L.L. Schmaltz.

MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

The Municipal Inspectors report of July 1978 and excerpts of the letter of reply were read by Mayor Richter. L.L. Schmaltz moved, Ornell Salken seconded the acceptance of the Inspector's report. Carried.

1978 FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

A brief presentation of the Financial Statement and comments on the general financial condition of the Village were made by Mr. Ron Belsher of Collins Barrow. Concern was expressed that copies of the Financial Statement were not made available or circulated prior to the meeting. Discussion on this matter followed. Publication of the Financial Statements in the future, will be considered by Council.

REPORTS:

DEPUTY MAYOR BENOIT reported on the Water Main Replacement Phase including the problems encountered with Cangas Ltd. and the amount of work yet to be completed. He also mentioned how effective policy changes regarding water/sewer billings had been in increasing revenue. Deputy Mayor Benoit reported on the weed control program of 1979 and proposed action to be taken in 1979. His report also included information on the completion of the sub-division project.

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REPORTS:

COUNCILLOR WHITNACK'S report included information on the new reservoir project; completion of the Well #6 project, and on the installation of the new pump in the existing reservoir.

COUNCILLOR CARTER reported on the work done in the Village nuisance grounds and thanked the Village residents for their assistance and co-operation in keeping the site clean and tidy. Mr. Carter also supplied information on the Streets Assistance Grant Application and on the work to be completed under this program.

COUNCILLOR RICE gave a report on the total expenditures to date under the NIP program and encouraged anyone interested to investigate the possibility of assistance with home repairs under the RRAP program, the Village of Beiseker has been allocated a budget of \$40,000 for RRAP in 1979. Councillor Rice reported briefly on the activities of the Beiseker Municipal Planning Commission and the planned activities of the Beiseker Recreation Board for 1979 were presented, including the TUIT Campaign, proposed development of lawn bowling activities and creation of a design for the playground in the new subdivision.

MAYOR RICHTER informed the ratepayer's of the drastic increase in the 1979 equalized assessment and that this assessment is being appealed. A progress report on development of the Industrial subdivision was given. Mayor Richter reported that the Alberta Disaster Services grant in the amount of \$121.00 was used by the NE Rocky View Fire Association to help purchase a first aid kit for the rescue truck.

PAM WHITNACK reported on the 1978 Young Canada Works and STEP programs and thanked Mr. Ray Courtman for his help and assistance with this project. Applications have been made to run these programs in 1979 and the Village plans to hire an adult supervisor to co-ordinate the work. Mrs. Whitnack reported on the problems in 1978 with dog control and informed the meeting of present negotiations with Alberta Animal Control in Red Deer, to provide these services.

A brief presentation was given concerning the effect of the Municipal Debt Reduction program on the financial status of the Village.

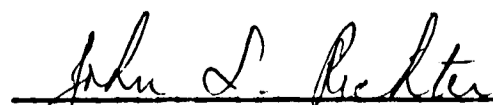
Mrs. Whitnack also informed the meeting that from November 1, 1977 to November 1, 1978 there were 46 (12 regular & 34 special) council meetings - all of which were well attended.

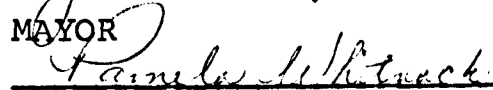
GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Many questions were asked concerning 1979 sidewalk construction, legality of water and sewer penalties, problems with Well #3 supply line, new well development, progress with lot sales, and NIP hall expenditures.

ADJOURNMENT:

Leroy Whitnack moved the meeting be adjourned at 10:00 p.m.



MAYOR


MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR