

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2003
AT 7:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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PRESENT

DEPUTY MAYOR	Ray Courtman
COUNCILLOR	Len Priestman
COUNCILLOR	Herman Witt
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR	Ruth Copeland-Brunelle
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN	Dale Wells

ABSENT

MAYOR	Dave Fegan
COUNCILLOR	Bruce Rowe

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Courtman called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Witt moved adoption of the Agenda with the following amendments:

1. Addition of Item 8(2(2) re 2002/03 Fire Services Training Grant Application under Administrator's Report.
2. Addition of Item 8(3) – By-Law Officer's Report & Invoice for January 2003 under New Business.
3. Addition of Item 10(4) re Compak Filter Service under In Camera Items.

CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Councillor Priestman moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 10, 2003 with the following amendments:

1. Page 1 – add Public Works Foreman Dale Wells under the heading 'ABSENT'.
2. Page 4, 3rd paragraph – change the word "plague" to "plaque".

CARRIED UNAN.

DELEGATIONS

Marshall Ennis, the scheduled delegation was not present.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Paul Miller's
re-zoning proposal
from R-3 to R-1

The Administrator advised Council that she had spoken with Karl Nemeth regarding the proposal presented to Council on February 10, 2003. Mr. Nemeth advised that there should be no problem with this re-zoning. We are just to let Mr. Nemeth know when to start the process for advertising requirements and the Public Hearing etc.

Airdrie Ambulance –
Ambulance Requisition

The Administrator advised Council that she had spoken with Sheldon Leavitt, Chief of Emergency Services in Airdrie. Sheldon has been booked as a delegation for the March 10, 2003 Council Meeting to discuss the ambulance requisition and ambulance costs with Council.

Kneehill Regional

The Administrator reviewed with Council that at the last Council Meeting, Deputy

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Water Committee

Mayor Courtman noted that the Village of Beiseker had not provided a "letter of support" in relation to the formation of the water commission. The Kneehill Water Committee is requesting a letter confirming that the following resolutions have been passed by Council:

- Designate a Name of Commission – proposed "Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission".
- Services to be provided – "Water Services".
- Membership – "confirmation that your municipality requests to be part of the commission".
- Membership Representation – to name a representative and an alternate for your municipality. The Minister of Municipal Affairs will initially appoint this member.
- Ministerial Order – "Sale of Water Volume Sales". In the Ministerial Order a request will be made to contain the following statement:

"All funds required for the operation of the Commission shall be recovered from the sale of water volumes".

The Administrator advised Council that notwithstanding the fact that Council has already passed the bylaw to establish the Water Commission, the committee is still requesting a letter confirming that Council has passed the above noted resolutions. It had been suggested that there should be a separate resolution for each item.

Res. #2003-13

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved as follows:

1. That the proposed name for the regional water pipeline commission be the "Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission."
2. That the services to be provided by the Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission be "water services".
3. That the Village of Beiseker requests to be a member of the Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission.
4. That Mayor Dave Fegan be appointed as the representative for the Village of Beiseker on the Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission and that Deputy Mayor Ray Courtman be appointed as the alternate representative.
5. That a request be made to include the following statement in the Ministerial Order:

"All funds required for the operation of the Commission shall be recovered from the sale of water volumes".

CARRIED UNAN.

PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS

Beaver Place Sign

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that a new street sign for Beaver Place had been installed and that it has been installed in such a way that it will now be very difficult to remove it from the sign post

Catch Basins

Public Works staff steamed the catch basins on Main Street when the temperature warmed up

Garbage Truck
Snow Removal

Public Works staff repainted the box on the garbage truck.

Public Works staff worked on snow removal as and when required as well as

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hauling snow off Main Street and 2nd Avenue.

Emergency Public
Warning System

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that he recently attended a seminar on Alberta's Emergency Public Warning System in order to become an Authorized User.

Backhoe

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the backhoe was in the shop to have the fuel pump, injectors and turbo replaced.

Lab Data Quality
Assurance Program

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that he recently attended a seminar on a new initiative of Alberta Environment to have an independent testing done on our water system and collection practices. The Public Works Foreman advised Council that a \$500.00 annual fee would be charged to the Village to have this testing done on an annual basis. The Public Works Foreman advised Council that as a licensed water treatment operator, he could not understand the need for this annual testing when our water is tested on a weekly basis and the water samples are being sent to the lab for testing. The Public Works Foreman asked that Council lobby against this new initiative at the next AUMA Convention. The Public Works Foreman advised that he would be discussing this matter at the upcoming Water and Wastewater Conference in March 2003.

Water Break

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that Public Works staff worked on a water break at Compak Filter on February 21, 2003. The leak was at the curb stop. The water service to this property had only been installed by Silver Site Construction approximately 2 years ago. The Public Works Foreman advised Council that he would be discussing the circumstances surrounding this water break with Miles McNair on his return from holidays.

Sanding

Councillor Priestman suggested to the Public Works Foreman that the one intersection in the Village that should be well sanded, is where Crescent Drive intersects with the CN tracks.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Councillor Witt moved to approve the accounts cheque #3916 to #3950 in the amount of \$13,633.01. CARRIED UNAN.

3916, 3917 &		
3919 to 3926	Payroll cheques	5,272.46
3918	Fremar Enterprises	220.50
3927	ADT Security Services Canada Inc.	384.56
3928	Agline	133.59
3929	Alberta One-Call Corporation	10.70
3930	AUMA	139.10
3931	Beiseker Automotive	583.55
3932	Best Western Siding 29 Lodge	319.20
3933	Canadian Waste Services Inc.	255.13
3934	Ruth Copeland	140.36
3935	Fremar Enterprises	393.67
3936	Hi-way 9 Express Ltd.	40.06
3937	Tanya Klappe	167.92
3938	Maxwell Paper Canada Inc.	21.99
3939	Minolta Business Equipment	74.86
3940	Telus Mobilty	25.85
3941	Telus	812.12
3942	Cancelled	0.00
3943	Municipal Information Systems Inc.	320.37
3944	Redline Service Ltd.	1,225.28
3945	Sprouse Fire & Safety Corp.	646.24
3946	U.F.A.	995.95
3948	Epcor	910.71

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3949	Atco Gas	8.84
3950	Tamala Peters, c/o Alberta Bylaw	530.00

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Witt

TrailNet

Councillor Witt advised Council that he had received a Final Report and questionnaire to complete in regard to the weekend he spent in St. Paul touring the various Trailnet sites and projects in that area. Councillor Witt advised Council that once he had completed the questionnaire, he would provide Council with a copy of the Trailnet Final Report.

Priestman

Rockyview
Foundation

Councillor Priestman advised Council that on February 18, 2003 he attended a Rockyview Foundation meeting for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the CAO's position. Further interviews are to be conducted on February 26, 2003.

Recreation/FCSS
Board

The next meeting of the Recreation/FCSS Board is scheduled for Tuesday, March 4, 2003.

Courtman

Disaster Services
Course

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised that he and Councillor Rowe attended a course on Basic Emergency Preparedness in Crossfield on February 13, 2003. Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that the course reviewed risk assessment and conducted a desktop disaster services exercise.

Beacon Heights
Pathway

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that it had been brought to his attention that that there could be some liability issues for the Village since the Village had not constructed an established or designated pathway from the Beacon Heights subdivision to the downtown area of the Village. It was suggested that this was an item that should be addressed in the spring of 2003.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

2002 Audit

The Administrator advised Council that the auditors attended at the Village Office on Tuesday, February 11th, Wednesday, February 12th and Thursday, February 13th. The Administrator reported that this year's audit went very smoothly in comparison to the past two years. Karen Gregory of Gregory, Harriman & Associates is tentatively scheduled to present her report on the 2002 audit to Council at the March 24, 2003 Council Meeting.

2002/03 Fire Services
Training Grant

The Administrator advised Council that the Fire Department was wishing to apply under the 2002/03 Fire Services Training Grant to purchase videos and training manuals for the Fire Department in the sum of \$8,340.00. As part of the grant application, there was a Conditional Grant Agreement which needed to be executed. The Administrator asked if Council would pass a resolution authorizing the execution of this Conditional Grant Agreement.

Res. #2003-14

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that the Village of Beiseker execute and enter into the Conditional Grant Agreement with the Province of Alberta under the 2002/03 Fire Services Training Grant. CARRIED UNAN.

BY-LAW OFFICER'S REPORT

FILED

CORRESPONDENCE

Marigold Library

Notes to Council from the Marigold Library System dated February 2003. FILED

RCMP

A letter from the Royal Canadian Mountain Police Beiseker Detachment regarding 2003/04 Business Plan. FILED

AAMD & C

The Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties Newsletter "Contact" dated February 5, 2003. FILED

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CORRESPONDENCE (Continued)

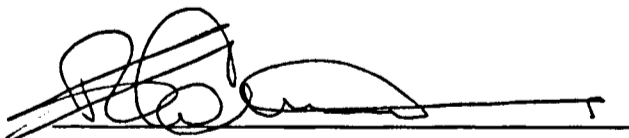
- AUMA A letter from the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association regarding 2003 insurance renewal. FILED
- AAMD&C Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties Newsletter "Contact"! dated February 12, 2003
- Alberta Government Services A letter from Alberta Government Services regarding Cemeteries Regulations Discussion Paper. FILED
- Responsible Firearms Owners of Alberta A letter from the Responsible Firearms Owners of Alberta regarding "Alberta Western Firearms Heritage and Historical Act. FILED

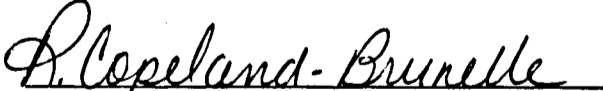
IN CAMERA ITEMS

- In Camera Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that Council go in camera @ 8:48 p.m. p.m. to discuss:
1. Alberta Environment re Beiseker Waste Transfer Station.
 2. RT Joint Venture.
 3. Beiseker Airport.
 4. Compak Filter Service.
- CARRIED UNAN.
- Reconvene Councillor Witt moved that Council reconvene from in camera @ 9:09 p.m. CARRIED UNAN.
- Res. #2003-15 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that the Public Works Foreman prepare a letter to Alberta Environment in response to their correspondence of February 10, 2003 in regard to the Beiseker Waste Transfer Station. CARRIED UNAN.
- Res. #2003-16 Councillor Priestman moved that the Administration send out the letter as drafted by the Administrator to Messrs. Gowling Lafleur Henderson, LLP re the Beiseker Airport. CARRIED UNAN.

ADJOURNMENT

- Councillor Witt moved that the meeting adjourn at 9:13 p.m. CARRIED UNAN.


DEPUTY MAYOR


MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR