

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE
OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1999 AT 7:30 P.M. IN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT

MAYOR	Ray Courtman
DEPUTY MAYOR	Fred Walters
COUNCILLOR:	Dave Fegan
COUNCILLOR:	Carol L'Abbee
COUNCILLOR	Len Priestman
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR	Wendy Ramberg
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN	Bill Clift
STERLING PRESS	Jamie Dirom
FIVE VILLAGE WEEKLY:	Geoff Taylor

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Courtman called the meeting to order at 7:47 P.M.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Fegan moved to adopt the agenda with the following additions: Under #6 Public Works Item #5 Channel Rehabilitation and Under Item #8.2 Administrators Report Regional Fire Meeting update. CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to approve the minutes of the November 8, 1999 Regular Meeting of Council with the following correction:
- Under New Business, Councillors Reports, Walters: Deputy Mayor Walters felt the Village should look into the possibility of getting the approach from the #9 Highway to the train tracks in the Village's name. CARRIED UNAN.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Policy Book Council reviewed policies for approximately 15 minutes and will review more in the New Year.

Curfew Bylaw The Administrator reported that the RCMP had reviewed the curfew bylaw and had the following suggestions:
- item #10 violation tags be deleted
- to make sure that all hours were changed from 11:30P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Third Reading Deputy Mayor Walters moved to give third reading to Bylaw 99-17. CARRIED

OPPOSED: Councillor Priestman
FOR: All Others

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Centennial Park The Public Works Foreman advised that the new slide had been installed at Centennial Park on November 11, 1999 and also another slide was repaired. One round tunnel was removed and will be moved to another area.

There was discussion on placement of this tunnel and it was agreed that once the tunnel was placed in it's spot that it should be inspected to make sure that it was done to standard.

Fifth Street The Public Works Foreman swept the area of 5th Street and 3rd Avenue where the gravel had come out onto the roadway. Unfortunately after he swept the road gravel a vehicle brought more gravel into the intersection. It was noted that these intersections are hard to keep clean where the gravel meets the paved surface.

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Water Break

There was a water break on 9th Street. It was the second break in 7 weeks and the Public Works Foreman feels that it's just a matter of time before there are more breaks. He also advised that this water break took place when he was not on call and didn't know about it until later on in the day. He has since put together a procedure paper on water digs.

There is a soft spot at the dig as gravel was not brought in but he felt that it would pack down.

The Foreman advised that the problem was that when the pipe was laid in the ground there was a plastic bag over it that was not removed and when the bag sweats it causes problems with corroding. He also advised that there is a valve on 8th street that had been closed off because it was leaking years ago and needs to be repaired.

Councillor L'Abbee felt that 9th Street should be dug up now, before winter, as doing these digs would be more costly later on in the year. It was a consensus of Council that we should put in place a figure in the budget to do this in the spring. Public Works instructed to get an estimate to replace the water line on 9th Street.

Ditch Cleaning

Public Works Foreman advised Council that the remaining part of the ditch cleaning on 9th Street had been done from the Church to 4th Avenue.

Cardboard

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that a load of cardboard had been taken into the city.

Grader

The Public Works Foreman advised that there is a grader in town working on the Trouth subdivision and advised that the Beacon Heights road, First Avenue and the entrance to Esso is in bad need of grading. The cost to do this work with this grader would be \$90.00 per hour.

Res. 99-187

Councillor L'Abbee moved to have Beacon Heights Road, First Avenue and the Esso entrance graded at a cost of \$90.00 per hour. CARRIED UNAN.

Community Centre

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the cost to wire the Genset would be \$3,800.00 plus GST and this would only wire one 100 amp panel. Most or all furnaces would run but the price doesn't include the gas being plumbed in. There was discussion on which areas should be heated and which should not and also discussion with regard to the bathroom and the water.

Council decided to proceed with the 100 amp panel for now.

Public Works
Committee

A date was set for January 17, 2000 at 8:00 A.M. for the Public Works Committee Meeting.

Beiseker School gates

The Administrator advised that she had talked to Chris Lees about the gates at the School and he advised that there was a shortage of funds to get these gates placed but he would forward the request to the Parent Advisory Committee. Councillor L'Abbee reported to Council that the school gates would be placed but that the Parent Committee was not very pleased with Council as they did not contribute to the playground area.

Diane Goodwin
Storm Sewer

Mayor Courtman discussed a letter sent to Diane Goodwin regarding storm sewer connection at 401 - 7th Street. He advised that she had new weeping tile placed in her home but there was no storm sewer to hook her system to thus Mayor Courtman wrote her a letter advising that because storm sewer had not been placed on her street that she was given permission to maintain her service as it presently exists.

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There was discussion involving hooking up to storm sewers and problems that Council could face in the future with other property owners doing upgrades.

Shop

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that in the budget there was money to replace furnaces at the town shop but he has been waiting all summer for quotes and only received only one bid.

Councillor Priestman abstained from voting or commenting on the following item.

Res. 99-188

Councillor Fegan moved to go ahead with the quote that was in place and get the furnaces installed. CARRIED

Water Break

There was an additional water break on 3rd Avenue and 8th Street over the weekend that was a result of a saddle that had rotted through.

The Public Works Foreman advised Council of his frustration as the other public works employee was not available and neither was our casual labour person. Councillor Priestman came by and volunteered to help if he was needed. Since no one could be located to help on the dig Councillor Priestman was called in to help.

There was some discussion with regard to coverage under workers compensation and insurance should an accident occur while a Councillor is doing work for the Village.

Administration instructed to get a legal opinion, an opinion from Workers Compensation and an opinion on insurance with regard to several different scenarios where Council would be involved in doing work for the Village.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Deputy Mayor Walters abstained from voting or commenting on the following item.

Councillor L'Abbee moved to approve the accounts Cheque #124 to #174 in the amount of \$42,822.95. CARRIED

124 to 131	Payroll Cheques	4,340.76
132	Telus	801.80
133	Acme Linden Transport	16.05
134	Telus Mobility	28.84
135	Beiseker Home Hardware	210.20
136	Agline	71.58
137	Canada Post	321.00
138	Atco Gas	1,165.27
139	Canwest Propane Inc.	300.14
140	Hi-Way Sales & Service	105.00
141	Midcountry Automotive Repair	236.56
142	Wendy Ramberg	37.52
143	Rockyview Industries Inc.	48.73
144	Tetz Agri Services	66.34
145	TransAlta	5,101.94
146	U.F.A.	422.80
147	Greyhound Courier Express	40.35
148	Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties	1,112.82
149	Mary Bell	46.22
150	Mobilshred	18.19
151	Darlene Olsen	268.00
152	Canadian Waste Services Inc.	288.18
153	Alberta One-Call Corporation	29.43
154	Case Credit Corporation	1,569.88

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155	Urban Systems	8,624.95
156	Nemeth Planning Services Inc.	630.26
157	Alberta Registries	7.00
158	Eagle Ridge Ventures Inc.	574.59
159	Loomis Courier Service	13.76
160	Seletech Electrical Enterprises Ltd.	1,093.13
161	Doering Drilling Ltd.	3,058.85
162	Twin Pro	1,251.90
163	Olds Fire Department	400.00
164	Fire Fighting in Canada	25.68
165	Rockyview Southeast Family School	2,000.00
166	BCA Industrial Controls (195) Limited	1,893.47
167	Canadian International Safety Inc.	240.75
168	Firehouse Magazine	47.97
169	Access Medical	6,115.04
170	Office Depot	15.53
171	Petty Cash	34.00
172	Ruth Copeland	16.04
173	Gimp's Place	70.00
174	Fremar Enterprises	62.43

NEW BUSINESS

Councillors Reports

Fegan

Councillor Fegan advised that there would be a meeting with the Community Centre Board the following evening to discuss repairs to the outside of the building. He also advised that he had some information on tenders that he would like to discuss in camera.

L'Abbee

Regional Fire Service

Councillor L'Abbee reported that he had discussed the tentative Regional Fire Service proposal with the Fire Department and that the fire department was against proceeding with this at this time although they would like to keep working on some type of a mutual aid agreement in order to define better areas for call outs.

Trail net

Councillor L'Abbee advised that a letter should be sent to the M.D. of Rockyview and the M.D. of Kneehill regarding what their position was on the Trail Net. He also advised of a meeting that he had with representatives of Acme, Beiseker, Linden and Carbon and also the Causeway Adjacent Landowners Association and the consensus was that Municipalities do not want to be operators of the trail.

Res. #99-189

Councillor L'Abbee moved that the Village of Beiseker doesn't support being an operator of the Trail. **CARRIED.**

OPPOSED Deputy Mayor Walters
FOR All Others

Signs at Community Centre

Deputy Mayor Walters presented a report to Council with four different options for getting signs at the Community Centre. Council went over these four recommendations and decided to defer this item pending a recommendation of the hall board.

Cristallo Ash

Deputy Mayor Walters advised Council that Cristallo has not been shipping their ash to Drumheller anymore as there had not been a secure site and it is now being trucked to Rimbey.

Home Hardware

Deputy Mayor Walters advised that Home Hardware was not too happy with the letter that Council sent them with regard to updating the side of their building. They have

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some problems at this time with the building shifting and Deputy Mayor Walters advised that probably nothing will be done this winter on the building.

Courtman

Mayor Courtman advised that he will be meeting with the Calgary Regional Transportation Authority regarding the Beiseker Airport and its future.

Alberta Infrastructure

Mayor Courtman advised that he had met with Ed Stelnick, Minister of Alberta Infrastructure and Carol Haley last week and some of the items for discussion were the Street Improvement Program. Mayor Courtman discussed the fact that there was concern that Street Improvement Program did not cover underground infrastructure and that this was a problem for small municipalities that wished to upgrade their roads and sidewalks. Mayor Courtman was advised that a letter should be sent to Carol Haley's office as soon as possible noting our problem and that something may be able to be done with regard to this problem.

Also Alberta Infrastructure is looking at the Engineering costs for projects that have been hard for small municipalities. Another item that was discussed was water in our area and the possibility of a Regional Waterline. Mayor Courtman also advised that the M.D. was in attendance at this meeting and were not in favour of a pipeline being run through their right-of-way. Mayor Courtman was also advised that due to the world oil prices that more money may be made available for the upgrading of highways over the next 12 months.

Administrator's Report

Christmas Hours

The Administrator discussed with Council what days the office will be closed over the holidays and advised that staff would like the Friday before Christmas instead of the Monday and Tuesday after Christmas. So the time would be from Friday, December 24 to Tuesday, December 28, 1999.

Res. #99-190

Deputy Mayor Walters moved that the Christmas hours be from Friday, December 24 through until Tuesday, December 28, 1999 in keeping with the Christmas Spirit.

CARRIED UNAN.

Christmas Party

The Administrator advised Council that nothing had been organized for Christmas this year. Staff will be going for lunch this year on December 9, 1999 as a group. At this time the number of Council meetings were also discussed and the following resolution was passed.

Res. #99-191

Councillor Fegan moved that Council hold one Council meeting in December on December 13, 1999.

CARRIED

OPPOSED Councillor L'Abbee
FOR All Others

Res. #99-192

Councillor Fegan moved to have Administration book a restaurant of the staff's choice to have Christmas supper with Council, Staff and Spouses.

CARRIED UNAN.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Walters moved Council take a five minute break. CARRIED UNAN.

**Administrator's
Holidays**

The Administrator advised that she needed to take some holiday time and wondered about the weeks of December 13 and 20. There was a problem with Council Meeting falling on December 13. A discussion ensued and Council decided to have Ruth Copeland-Brunelle take minutes and to have the Administrator take her holidays beginning December 13, 1999.

Budget 2000

Councillor Fegan moved to adopt the 1999 budget as the interim budget for 2000.

CARRIED UNAN.

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- Bylaw Enforcement The Administrator advised that the Bylaw Enforcement Contract was up as of December 31, 1999 and that some items were being looked at for changes in the contract and some time needed to be done for research. She asked Council if they would consider extending Darlene Olsen's contract to February 15, 2000.
- Res. #99-194 Mayor Courtman moved to extend the Bylaw Enforcement Contract to February 15, 2000. CARRIED UNAN.
- Administrator's Evaluation The Administrator advised that she had not had her evaluation for 1999 yet and that Mayor Fegan had performed her evaluation the year before but that all of Council should be involved in performing the evaluation this year. A date was set for December 13, 1999 at 7:00 P.M. to do the Administrator's evaluation.
- Service at 9th Street The Administrator updated Council that the service on 9th Street that had been filled in without inspection had been exposed and that the Public Works Foreman had done an inspection on the service and it was approved. Discussion ensued by Council as to service connection inspections and Administration was instructed to insert another form with the building permit to be signed when service inspections were completed on buildings.
- Regional Fire Contract The Administrator advised Council that she had attended a meeting at the M.D. of Rockyview November 19 regarding the Regional Fire Proposal. She advised Council that with the exception of the Village of Irricana none of the Councils had approved going on to a Regional System as there are many issues that needed to be worked through. She also advised that it was a consensus of the group to scrap the Regional Proposal for now but to meet again in March to start going through some of the issues.
- Building & Development Permit Report The Administrator presented the building and development permit report to the end of October 1999. It was interesting to note that there were 13 new house starts so far this year.
- CORRESPONDENCE**
- FCM A letter from Sam Synard, President of Federation of Canadian Municipalities regarding the 63rd Annual Conference and Municipal Expo in Ontario June 2 to 5, 2000. FILED
- Causeway Adjacent Landowners Assoc. An e-mail was sent to the Village thanking them for the use of the Council Chambers for their meeting and also advising that they will be contacting the Administrator with regard to Causeway membership. FILED
- Jean Chretien, Prime Minister A letter from Jean Chretien, Prime Minister of Canada regarding the speech from the throne. FILED
- Land Redesignation A letter from the M.D. of Rockyview regarding application No. 99132 to redesignate a portion of the subject land from Ranch & Farm District to Natural Resource Industrial District to accommodate a gravel mining operation.
- House of Commons A copy of a letter to Hon. Lawrence MacAulay, Solicitor General from Myron Thompson, M.P. Wild Rose Constituency regarding a lack of staffing at RCMP detachments in Myron Thompson's riding. FILED
- Alberta Community Development A letter from Stan Woloshyn, Minister of Alberta Community Development regarding the two Minister's Seniors Service Awards. FILED
- Tall Taylor Publishing A letter from Eileen Henricks, Receptionist for Tall Taylor Publishing Ltd. regarding the Christmas Message. The Administrator advised that in previous years Council had purchased ¼ of a page advertising.

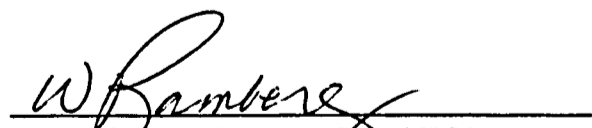
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- Res. #99-195 Councillor L'Abbee moved to purchase ¼ of a page advertising in the Rocky View Five Village Weekly for the Christmas message. CARRIED UNAN.
- Urban Systems A copy of a letter from Urban Systems to Rocky View Five Village Weekly regarding an invitation to tender for the channel rehabilitation and miscellaneous utility upgrades in the Village of Beiseker. FILED
- Alberta Children's Services A letter from Iris Evans, Minister of Alberta Children's Services regarding the great kids awards. FILED
- Rockyview SE Family/School Liaison Program A report from the Rockyview South East Family/School Liaison Program for the month of October. FILED
- Alberta Municipal Financing Corp. A letter from Terrance S. Stroich, FCA General Manager of Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation regarding application to sell debentures. FILED
- In Camera Deputy Mayor Walters moved Council go in camera at 9:54 P.M. to discuss the water rehabilitation program and staffing concerns. CARRIED UNAN.
- Reconvene Councillor L'Abbee moved Council reconvene at 10:30 P.M. CARRIED UNAN.
- Channel Rehabilitation Program Res. #99-196 Councillor Fegan moved to reduce the performance bond in the tender documents from 100% to 50%. CA
- Holiday Payout Mayor Courtman moved to pay the Administrator for two weeks of vacation time that she was unable to take in the 1999 calendar year. CARRIED UNAN.
- Sewer Lagoon Councillor Fegan went over the letter that was sent to Clarence Schmaltz regarding reimbursement for property damage done to his property because of leaking at the sewer lagoon. Administration instructed to write a letter to Mr. Schmaltz inviting him to come to Council in the New Year to discuss compensation on his land. He should bring to Council the following items:
- how much land was involved
 - over what period of time
 - what he is asking for recovery costs.

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Walters moved the meeting adjourn at 10:40 P.M. CARRIED UNAN.


MAYOR


MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR