

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

PRESENT

DEPUTY MAYOR	Carol L'Abbee
COUNCILLOR	Fred Walters
COUNCILLOR	Len Priestman
COUNCILLOR:	Ray Courtman (arrived at 9:15 P.M.)
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR	Wendy Ramberg
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN:	Bill Clift
FIVE VILLAGE WEEKLY	Geoff Taylor, Reporter
STERLING PRESS:	Jamie Dorim

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor L'Abbee called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Walters moved to adopt the agenda with the following addition: Under #8 Correspondence Item #19 Don Simmons letter, Under Other Business Item #9 c.3 Ray Courtman, Beiseker Recyclers; Under Public Works Items #4.16 Labourer

CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Beiseker held February 8, 1999 at 7:30 P.M. in Council Chambers with the following changes:

Page #2 Under Cemetery delete the word "you would need a 36" bucket for our backhoe" and also the sentence "the cost of the bucket would be about \$2,000.00"

CARRIED UNAN.

PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS

Lagoon Safety

The Public Works Foreman discussed the fact that he is worried about the liners in the cells; should be a safety ladder in there; do we need more signage, what do we need to do for risk management at the lagoon.

Administration to phone Alberta Transportation & Utilities to see what the standard practice is with lagoon sites and also to talk to Irricana and see what they have done with their new site.

Plow Truck

The plow truck has been repaired. What was thought to be the turbo has been pinned down to be the fact that there is a one inch hose on the hydraulic line and there should be at least an inch and a quarter hose. This hose has been replaced and when the hydraulics are not needed in the summer time they will be disconnected.

Lights at Office

The lights have been installed on the flag poles at the Village Office and just need some fine tuning adjustments made.

Councillor Walters advised that the porch light at the office could be turned off now that the building is well lighted.

Elm Trees

The elm trees owned by the Village were inspected for beetles. While there are no beetles on the trees it was found that several trees have died and others are in bad need of being trimmed.

Council discussed whether or not the tree trimming should be contracted out or done by Village staff.

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- Res. 99-33 A      Councillor Walters moved to have Public Works remove the elm trees that are dead as time permits during the summer and to postpone the decision on pruning the trees until the budget is finalized. CARRIED UNAN.
- Steamer      The steamer is now ready and up and running. The burner was repacked by Gord Hunt. To replace the same unit new would be \$4,500.00.
- Accident      The Public Works Foreman advised that one of the workers had slipped on the ice and over extended his elbow. He will be off for at least 2 weeks and we will not know for sure when he will be returning to work until a further assessment is made of his injury.
- Public Works Employee  
Res. 99-34      Councillor Walters moved to hire an employee temporarily to cover for the Public Works employee on sick leave at the amount of \$7.00 per hour. CARRIED UNAN.
- Water & Wastewater  
Seminar  
Res. 99-35      Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to have the Public Works Foreman attend the Water and Wastewater seminar in Banff March 9 through 12. CARRIED UNAN.
- Drainage Problems      Councillor Walters gave the Public Works Foreman a list of the drainage problems he has identified in the Village. Particular areas of concern are by the Fire Hall and Seniors Center.

**ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL**

Councillor Walters moved to approve the Cheques #4268 to #4324 in the amount of \$177,190.94. CARRIED UNAN.

4268	Wendy Ramberg	53.48
4269	Bensons Industries	666.08
4270	Alberta Municipal Employee Benefits Service	1,928.02
4271	Receiver General	3,975.64
4272-4279	Payroll Cheques	4,709.81
4280	Dave Fegan	185.28
4281	Provincial Treasurer	35.00
4282	Accpac Canada Inc.	107.00
4283	Acme Linden Transport	26.75
4284	Agline	180.82
4285	Alberta Custom Products	141.56
4286	Alberta Land Registries Land Titles	97.92
4287	Alberta One-Call Corporation	2.68
4288	Alberta Permit Pro	96.30
4289	Annex Publishing Inc.	70.62
4290	Beiseker Lion's Skateathon	13,572.00
4291	Big "S" Auto Parts	473.43
4292	Big John's Electric	1,002.13
4293	Calgary Flag Shop	273.71
4294	Canadian Waste Services Inc.	82.55
4295	Canwest Propane Inc.	609.93
4296	Chemsearch	306.98
4297	City of St. Alberta	60.00
4298	Coast to Coast Mechanical	246.10
4299	EC & M Electric	111.28
4300	Gimp's Place	89.00
4301	Hi-way Sales & Service	117.00
4302	Kingsway Computers Inc.	395.90
4303	Levitt Safety Limited	164.36
4304	Lirenman Peterson	2,101.60

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4305	Local Government Administrators Association	470.00
4306	M & H Tools	52.38
4307	Midcountry Automotive Repair	636.25
4308	TransAlta Utilities	2,403.21
4309	Telus Communications	803.70
4310	Canadian Western Natural Gas	2,178.69
4311	Darlene Olsen	313.00
4312	Prairie Chem Inc.	552.46
4313	Ramada Conference Centre	71.68
4314	Wendy Ramberg	30.24
4315	Rema-Caff Holdings Ltd.	134,270.63
4316	Roadway Diesel Services Ltd.	655.49
4317	Rockyview Industries Inc.	114.51
4318	VOID	
4319	Sprouse Fire & Safety Corpp.	1,590.22
4520	Judy Turner	100.00
4321	U.F.A.	621.23
4322	UAP/NAPA Auto Parts	41.52
4523	Village of Acme	130.80
4324	Val Warner	250.00

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- Alberta Transportation & Utilities     A letter from Walter Paszkowski, Minister of Alberta Transportation & Utilities regarding sale of surplus lands adjacent to and within a railway road right-of-way. FILED
- Administration instructed to draft a letter to the Walter Paszkowski, MLA with copies to the joint Municipalities of Irricana, Linden and Acme regarding sale of CP Land and Trail 2000.
- Regional Cable     A letter from Shawna Epp, Marketing Assistant for Regional Cable TV regarding the 1999 Youth Merit Awards Program. FILED
- Administration instructed to give copies of the brochures and posters to the Beiseker Community School and Kathryn School.
- Village of Carbon     A survey from Kneehill Regional Water Services Committee to be completed by February 24, 1999. FILED
- Res. 99-36     Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to postpone this item to next Council. Administration asked to write a letter sending regrets at being unable to complete this survey due to the fact that full Council was not in attendance. CARRIED UNAN.
- AUMA     A memorandum from Alberta Urban Municipalities Association regarding the review of membership program and the transition process that will begin March 1, 1999. FILED
- Alberta Municipal Affairs     A letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding FOIP Workshops to be held for Council in the next month. FILED
- Councillor Walters will attend on behalf of the Rockyview Foundation and Deputy Mayor L'Abbee will attend on behalf of Council.
- Society to Prevent Dutch Elm Disease     A membership order form from the Society to Prevent Dutch Elm Disease. FILED
- Pitch-in Alberta     A letter from Pitch-in Alberta regarding the 1999 Pitch-in Week May 3 to 9. FILED

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- Res. 99-37 Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to continue as we have in the past to coordinate the clean up week with the Beiseker Community School but to also have our Village clean up week May 3 though 9, 1999. CARRIED UNAN.
- Seniors Advisory Council of Alberta A notice and information regarding Senior Citizens Week June 6 through 12, 1999. FILED  
Information forwarded to the Seniors Association by Councillor Walters.
- University of Alberta A letter from E.C. LeSage Jr, PhD University of Alberta advising that Wendy Ramberg was the recipient of the William F. Lede Memorial and Earnest Newman Memorial bursaries in the amount of \$600.00. FILED
- Marigold Library Notes to Councils and Special Areas Board from the Marigold Library regarding the January Board Meeting in Drumheller. FILED
- Alberta Municipal Affairs A letter from Iris Evans, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the review of the Supplementary Accounting Principles and Standards Regulation. Comments were to be sent by February 15, 1999. FILED  
Administration asked to follow through on this.
- Beiseker Airport Res. 99-38 Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to postpone correspondence Item #14 and 18 regarding the Airport Transfer to the next Council meeting. CARRIED UNAN.
- Alberta Environmental Protection A letter from Ron Bothe, Director Water Management Division, Alberta Environmental Protection regarding the fact that cost sharing of future eligible projects will be done on a 65%/35% basis with the maximum per project grant of \$275,000.00. FILED
- Res. 99-39 Councillor Priestman moved to write a letter to Alberta Environmental Protection advising that Council is not pleased with the decision to reduce funding from 75%/25% split to 65%/35% split, letter to be sent to Premier and MLA. CARRIED UNAN
- Alberta Community Development A letter from Shirley McClellan, Minister of Alberta Community Development inviting Council to bid for the 2002 Alberta Winter Games FILED
- Health Summit '99 An update on health in Alberta regarding the Health Summit '99. FILED
- Don Simmons A letter from Donald Simmons regarding the issue of trees overhanging sidewalks and snow removal in the Village. FILED
- Res. 99-40 Councillor Walters moved to put a notice in the Village Informer requesting residents to trim trees and shrubs that overhang the sidewalks to a height of 6' so they do not impede pedestrian traffic. CARRIED UNAN.
- Herald Ad Councillor Walters advised that the cost of an ad in the Calgary Herald appearing four time over an eight week period, Thursday, Friday and Saturday would be \$318.43.
- Res. 99-41 Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to place an ad in the Calgary Herald to appear four times over an eight week period on Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the amount of \$318.43 advising that the Village of Beiseker is looking for industrial developers. CARRIED UNAN.
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**NEW BUSINESS**  
**Councillors Reports**

Walters Councillor Walters advised that he had attended a surface water quality meeting in Beiseker, Wednesday evening. A study is being done of the Rosebud River Serviceberry Creek watershed, that the water is safe to drink provided it has been treated if has been treated to remove bacteria.

L'Abbee Deputy Mayor L'Abbee advised that he had been approached by some residents advising that since the playground at the Centennial Park had been upgraded with pea gravel that the spiral slide no longer is up to code and it should be removed.

This issue will be brought up with the Recreation Board and they will be bring a recommendation back to Council.

Deputy Mayor L'Abbee also advised that there seems to be a problem with ice building on sidewalks because of snow melting and freezing. This item was discussed and will be brought forward when Council reviews it's annual sidewalk upgrade.

Decals & Logo Deputy Mayor L'Abbee advised that all equipment should have a Village of Beiseker logo or decal on it identifying our equipment. Administration advised to get options and costs for next Council meeting.

**Administrator's Report**

The Administrator recommended to Council to hold a 1999 Census because one had not been done since the Federal Census was taken. Also, she made a recommendation to hire Mary Straub to perform the census. Mary is our part-time employee. The cost would be around \$200.00. Also the Administrator recommended that Mary Straub attend a one day workshop at a cost of \$35.00. The workshop will be held in Edmonton unless there is sufficient demand to hold it in Calgary.

Res. #99-42 Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved that the Village conduct a 1999 Census. He further moved that the Village hire Mary Straub to perform the census for the amount of \$200.00. CARRIED UNAN.

Res. 99-43 Councillor Walters moved to send Mary Straub to a census workshop in Edmonton or Calgary at a cost of \$35.00 plus expenses. First choice for the workshop to be Calgary if one is held there. CARRIED UNAN.

Unbudgeted Expenses in 1998 The Administrator went over the report she had prepared regarding unbudgeted expenditures made in 1998 but approved by Council. She showed where these expenditures had been removed from reserves but advised there was still an amount of \$18,067.17 that did not have a related reserve account.

The Administrator's recommendation was to code these expenses to the subdivision reserve account which would leave a balance of \$18,032.18 in the reserve account.

Res. #99-44 Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to take \$18,067.17 out of the subdivision lands reserve account to provide for the balance of the unbudgeted but approved expenditures in 1998. CARRIED UNAN.

Local Government Administration Assoc. The Administrator advised that in the past Ruth Copeland and herself had attended the Local Government Administration Assoc. Convention. Because this item has not been finalized in the budget this year it was her recommendation that Council pass a resolution giving permission for herself and Ruth to attend the conference in Red Deer March 17 through 20, registration fees to be \$125.00 each.

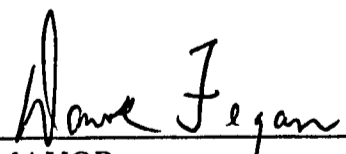
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- Res. 99-45 Councillor Walters moved to give the Administrator and Ruth Copeland permission to attend the Local Government Administrators Association convention being held in Red Deer March 17 through 20, 1999 at a cost of \$250.00 for registration fee plus expenses. CARRIED
- COURTMAN Councillor Courtman arrived at 9:15 P.M. during the vote on motion 99-45 and did not comment or vote on the motion.
- Trail 2000 Further comments were made regarding the CP land given to Trail 2000. There is definitely a concern about the clean up not being done on the previously owned CP Land. Deputy Mayor L'Abbee will attend the meeting in Three Hills on March 4 and will voice the concerns of Council to the Trail 2000 Committee.
- Beiseker Municipal Airport Transfer Councillor Courtman advised that he would like to have the Airport Commission look the papers regarding the Airport transfer over at their meeting February 25 and bring a recommendation back to the next Council meeting.
- Councillor Priestman refrained from commenting or discussing the following matter.
- Heat Exchangers 99-46 Councillor Walters moved to write a cheque to Coast to Coast Mechanical in the amount of \$7,000.00 plus GST to front end the cost of the heat exchangers. CARRIED UNAN.
- Beiseker Recycling Society Res. 99-47 Councillor Walters moved to write a letter of support to assist the Beiseker Recycling Society in their application for a grant to buy a bailer. CARRIED UNAN.
- Vision & Mission Statements Administration asked to put a news release in the two local papers, the Calgary Herald and the Calgary Sun advising of the Village of Beiseker's Vision and Mission Statements.
- In Camera Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved that Council go in camera at 9:38 P.M.
- Reconvene Councillor Walters moved Council reconvene at 10:10 P.M. CARRIED UNAN.
- Subdivision Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved to send Donaco Construction a letter advising that Council feel they have fulfilled their obligation with regard to the lot located at 317 - 9<sup>th</sup> Street being Lot 6 Block 17 Plan 9611484. CARRIED UNAN.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Deputy Mayor L'Abbee moved Council adjourn at 10:20 P.M. CARRIED UNAN.

  
MAYOR

  
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR