

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE
OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2000 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	Ruth Copeland-Brunelle
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN	Dale Wells
DELEGATION	Darlene Olsen, Bylaw Enforcement Officer

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Courtman called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Fegan moved adoption of the agenda with the following additions:

1. Correspondence item #9-11 – Letter from Sherry Gore re purchase of Old Memorial Hall Site. CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Councillor L'Abbee to approve the Minutes of the regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, August 28, 2000 with an amendment to page 4 of the Minutes, Councillor L'Abbee's Report on the Sand & Salt Mix for Roads to read as follows:

“Councillor L'Abbee advised Council that Carmacks was mixing sand and salt mix for the upcoming winter season and since the Village had in the past purchased this same mixture from Carmacks, that Carmacks had mixed an additional 60 tons for the Village of Beiseker for our own use.” CARRIED UNAN.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Reservoir #2

The new chlorine system tank has been hooked up at Reservoir #2. The line going down into the pit also had to be changed. An alarm system has now been installed at the reservoir.

Garbage Truck

The garbage truck has been maintained, cleaned and the box has been painted.

Trees in 5th Street

The trees in the alley behind 5th Street were trimmed.

72" Mower

The 72" mower was taken out to the Airport.

½ ton truck

The ½ ton truck has been cleaned, washed, waxed and a tune-up done.

Cellular Phone

Obtained a new battery for the cellular phone from Five Star Communication.

3rd man Position

The Public Works Foreman asked if it would be possible to hire another person to complete Crystal Martens' contract period.

Res. #2000-117

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to hire a 3rd Public Works person to complete Crystal Martens six (6) month contract to October 31, 2000. CARRIED UNAN.

Sewer lines

Councillor Fegan asked the Public Works Foreman if all the sewer lines had been flushed and was informed and that some had been done, but not all as the sewer flusher was being repaired.

Sewer Lagoon

Councillor Fegan also enquired if the levels in the sewer lagoons had been checked recently. The Public Works Foreman advised that they had been and that he met with Mark Kohlruss of Alberta Environment on September 11, 2000 and toured the lagoon.

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Grading Streets

Councillor Fegan asked the Public Works Foreman if he had an opportunity to contact the M.D. of Rockyview to grade our streets. The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the M.D. of Rockyview is not doing any contract work as they are too busy.

9th Street

Councillor Fegan advised Council that he had a concern about a hole that has been left at the south corner of 9th Street and 1st Avenue and suggested that some kind of barrier be put in place to prevent any vehicles taking the corner too sharply from going in the hole. Councillor Fegan also indicated to Council he had a concern regarding drainage at the end of 9th Street at 1st Avenue as the culvert at that corner had now been removed. It was suggested that this corner would have to be monitored next spring.

Culvert- 6th Street

Councillor Priestman advised Council that he discussed with the Public Works Foreman about replacing the culvert at the end of 6th Street across 4th Avenue at some time in the future.

Garbage

Deputy Mayor Walters advised the Public Works Foreman that the garbage can beside the Post Office was full and needed to be emptied.

Washrooms in
Friendship Park

Deputy Mayor Walters asked the Public Works Foreman if the washrooms at Friendship Park could be cleaned and restocked. The Public Works Foreman advised this had been attended to.

Wiring for Genset

Deputy Mayor Walters advised the Public Works Foreman that there was no plug on the end of the wire used to hook-up the genset at the Community Hall. It was suggested that Bill Eitzen be contacted to rectify this situation.

Stop Sign & Speed
Sign in alley beside
the Community Centre

Deputy Mayor Walters asked about installing a stop sign and speed sign in the alley beside the Community Centre as students leaving the school come down the alley and enter onto 5th Street without stopping and are travelling at a high rate of speed and has a concern for the safety of the children in that area. Council advised Administration to notify the R.C.M.P. of this situation and to seek their recommendation about placing a stop sign at this location.

Darlene Olsen,
Bylaw Enforcement
Officer

DELEGATIONS

Darlene Olsen came to Council to discuss issues relating to By-Law enforcement. Mrs. Olsen advised Council that when she comes to the Village of Beiseker her procedure is to check for dogs, do follow-ups on any warnings issued and checks the alleys.

Councillor Priestman noted that there was one property in particular in the industrial area that needs to be cleaned up as there are derelict vehicles and scrap metal in the ditch adjacent to this property. Mrs. Olsen advised Council that she has on previous occasions spoken to the owner of the property and some clean-up had occurred, however, this seems to be a continuing problem. Mayor Courtman, Councillor Fegan and the By-Law Officer will speak to this property owner about the unsightly premises.

Councillor Fegan asked Administration if a letter could be sent to Norm MacLean asking for a date of completion on the construction of his home.

Mrs. Olsen advised Council that as a general rule, warnings do work without having to issue tickets and residents will work with her. Tickets for animal control violations cannot be attached to the tax roll. The procedure used to collect fines for animal control violations is to send an invoice on unpaid tickets. We don't necessarily want to fine people, we want them to comply. Council suggested that Administration contact the City of Airdrie to obtain a copy of the type of tickets they use for by-law infractions other than animal control matters.

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With respect to unlicensed and abandoned vehicles, Mrs. Olsen advised Council that she works very closely with the R.C.M.P.

With respect to snow removal, there will be a zero tolerance policy and suggested that residents should be encouraged to report any sidewalks that have not been cleared of snow.

Mrs. Olsen also discussed with Council the issue of the Cat By-Law. She is already enforcing this by-law in the other communities that she serves and is finding that the S.P.C.A. does not want the stray cats that she does bring in anymore so disposal of any cats that are trapped may become more difficult.

Recess

Council took a short recess from 8:57 p.m. to 9:02 p.m.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Councillor L'Abbee moved to approve account cheque #1051 to #1111 excluding cheque #1086 and including cheque #1114 in the amount of \$113,685.82.

CARRIED UNAN.

1051	Petty Cash	\$28.41
1052- 1062	Payroll Cheques	\$ 6,342.55
1063	University of Alberta Bookstore	\$47.03
1064	Canada Post	\$39.12
1065	Verbeck, Doug & Heather	\$25.00
1066	VOID	
1067	Payroll Cheque	\$913.68
1068	Acme Linden transport	182.99
1069	Telus Mobility	26.16
1070	AUMA Member Services	9,186.71
1071	Dynagra Inc.	115.56
1072	Beiseker Grocery	98.13
1073	Beiseker Home Hardware	1,222.42
1074	Canada Post	321.00
1075	Atco Gas	137.27
1076	Drumheller & District Solid Waste	155.15
1077	Hi-Way Sales & Service	49.85
1078	Hi-Way 9 Express Ltd.	69.35
1079	McNair Sand & Gravel Ltd.	244.52
1080	TransAlta Utilities	18.23
1081	Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties	392.26
1082	LaFarge Construction	653.65
1083	Regional Assessment Management	503.79
1084	Silver Site Construction Ltd.	68,058.13
1085	Dave Fegan	253.04
1087	Alberta Health Care	136.00
1088	Case Credit Corporation	1,043.86
1089	Urban Systems	2,944.78
1090	Alberta Permit Pro	40.66
1091	Nemeth Planning Services	1,004.10
1092	Norwood Foundry Limited	96.09
1093	Village of Irricana	3,420.00
1094	Dave McKenzie	50.96
1095	Wheelco Holdings Ltd.	164.81
1096	Rainbow Salvage Ltd.	103.58
1097	Beiseker Automotive	932.14
1098	Village of Acme	64.45
1099	Mcintosh Lalani Engineering Ltd.	1,712.48
1100	AUMA	1,050.00
1101	The City of Calgary	205.13
1102	Jim Howlett	3,533.14
1103	Jenelle Saskiw	125.83

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1104	Dale Wells	20.77
1105	Bob Miller Trucking	1,702.38
1106	Honey Bee Ceramics	80.00
1107	D & L Vacuum Sales & Service	32.05
1108	Banner Equipment Ltd.	199.43
1109	Beiscker Station Museum	200.00
1110	Zeebest Plastics of Canada Inc.	199.34
1111	Alberta Energy and Utilities Board	339.84
1114	Lee Robertshaw	5,200.00

Mayor Courtman moved to approve account cheque #1112 & 1113 in the amount of \$133.36. CARRIED

1112	D.L.F. Holdings Ltd.	\$11.91
1113	Fremar Enterprises	\$121.45

Deputy Mayor Walters and Councillor Fegan abstained from voting or commenting on the above items.

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to approve cheque #1086 in the amount of \$994.95 payable to Coast to Coast Mechanical Contractors Ltd. CARRIED

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

NEW BUSINESS

Councillors Reports

L'Abbee
CAO Position &
Staff Salary Grid

Councillor L'Abbee suggested that since the Administrator has past the three month probation period, that an evaluation review should be done. Councillor L'Abbee also suggested that the salary grid and job descriptions for all staff should be reviewed. Council decided that a Saturday meeting date should be set after the organizational meeting of Council to discuss the CAO evaluation, the salary grid and job descriptions for all employees.

Overflow Parking

Councillor L'Abbee advised Council that the Deputy Mayor had advised Bill Hnybida that he was not to park the vehicles he was in the processes of repairing in the overflow parking across from his shop. Deputy Mayor Walters advised Council that this was not the case. He simply asked Mr. Hnybida if it was possible to park these vehicles at the side of his building or to park the vehicles in the overflow parking area in such a manner that provided easier access for the large transport trucks.

Walters
Campground

Deputy Mayor Walters advised Council that the provincial government inspector for campgrounds did an inspection of our campground and gave it a three star rating.

Fegan
Lottery Grant for CPR
Station Deck

Councillor Fegan suggested that with the impending deadline for the next Community Lottery grant funding that an application should be submitted for the replacement of the deck at the Village Office. Mayor Courtman agreed to work on this lottery grant application.

WREDC Meeting

Councillor Fegan advised Council that he received a binder compiled by the Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation containing information on Beiseker which was obtained from various websites. Councillor Fegan noted that much of the information needed to be updated.

Res. #2000-118

Councillor Fegan moved to have Rhys Courtman review the web page information booklet from Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation and to provide a quote to have the appropriate websites updated. CARRIED

Mayor Courtman abstained from voting or commenting on the above item.

Councillor Fegan advised Council that the Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation was holding Open Houses in a number of the communities it serves and that an Open House was held in Beiseker on September 11, 2000.

Councillor Fegan presented to the meeting a copy of the Rural Times newsletter for Council's information.

Councillor Fegan advised Council that the WREDC "Who Wants to be a Millionaire" Program was a great success and held a wind-up in August.

Councillor Fegan advised Council that WREDC was presently involved in a recruitment drive for a Southern Alberta Economic Development Officer. Written information on this program was presented to Council for their information.

Councillor Fegan advised Council that the WREDC was presently looking for 2 replacements for their loans committee.

Knechill Regional
Water Committee

Councillor Fegan advised Council that the next meeting of the Knechill Regional Water Committee would be taking place at the AUMA Convention and as Councillor Fegan would not be attending this year's conference, an alternate representative was requested to attend on his behalf. Mayor Courtman and Councillor Priestman agreed to attend in Councillor Fegan's place. The Administrator was asked to contact Bert Jackson the Chairperson for the Water Committee to confirm the date and time for this meeting. Councillor Fegan also advised Council that it is anticipated that meetings with all government departments will be held before December 2000. There will be another meeting of the committee in the early part of October after the AUMA convention.

Industrial Park

Councillor Fegan advised Council that he had a meeting with Jim Chorley who will either become a project manager or investor with Norm Truth to complete the industrial park. Councillor Fegan discussed with him our concerns on the present state of the property.

Courtman
WREDC Open House

Mayor Courtman advised Council that he met with the representatives from WREDC at the Open House held at the Village Office on September 11, 2000 and was quite surprised to learn of how many businesses WREDC has assisted financially in Beiseker.

Library Board

Mayor Courtman advised Council that he recently attended a Library Board meeting and learned that the Treasurer for the Library Board has not attended any meetings for quite some time nor have any financial reports been provided to the Board. The Treasurer has also not been applying for any grants. A motion was made at the meeting to retrieve the books from the Treasurer and that they should be brought to the Village Office. The Mayor and one other board member are to then review the books and to possibly have them audited. A new Treasurer will need to be appointed and if Council knows of anyone who may be interested in taking this position to please advise him accordingly.

October 9th Council
Meeting

Administrator's Report

The Administrator advised Council that as the first Council Meeting in October falls on October 9, 2000 which is the Thanksgiving Day Holiday and this is also when the organizational meeting is normally held would Council wish to hold the organizational meeting and regular Council Meeting on October 9th or postpone it to Tuesday, October 10th.

Res. #2000-119

Mayor Courtman moved that the October 9th, 2000 organizational meeting and regular meeting of Council be postponed to Tuesday, October 10, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.

CARRIED UNAN.

Council/Staff BBQ with Campground Managers	The Administrator advised Council that Rollie & Phyllis Stroub has invited Council, staff and spouses to a BBQ at the campground on Sunday, October 1, 2000 at 4:30 p.m. They will be barbecuing a roast. Everyone is asked to bring their own plates and eating utensils.
Local Government	The Administrator advised Council that both herself and Jenelle Saskiw were enrolled in courses under the Local Government Certificate Program through the University of Alberta, Government Studies which run until December 2, 2000. Jenelle is taking "Introduction to Accounting Fundamentals" and the Administrator is taking "Property Assessment and Taxation in Alberta".
<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>	
Bethany Care Centre Centre	A letter from Grant Johnson, Chair and Peggy Mollerup, Administrator, Bethany Care Centre Airdrie regarding a meeting to be held on September 21 to discuss common areas of concern in service to the elderly and disabled. The Administrator and Deputy Mayor Walters will be attending this meeting. FILED
TransAlta Corp.	A letter from TransAlta Corporation regarding their selling of the Distribution and Retail business units to UtiliCorp Networks Canada. FILED
Marigold Library System	A letter from Marigold Library System regarding the Marigold Agreement. FILED
Res. #2000-120	Mayor Courtman moved to approve Schedule C2001-2003 to the Marigold Agreement. CARRIED UNAN.
AUMA	Alberta Urban Municipalities Association "Notes to Council" FILED
AUMA	A letter from Lorne Olsvik, President, Alberta Urban Municipalities Association regarding reduction in education requisitions. FILED
Herman Witt & Marleen Bergmann	A letter from Herman Witt and Marleen Bergmann re building commitment extension. FILED
Res. #2000-121	Councillor L'Abbee moved to give a six (6) month building commitment extension to June 30, 2001 to Herman Witt & Marlene Bergmann. CARRIED UNAN.
Cosway Adjacent Landowners Assoc.	A letter from Faye Engler, Secretary, Cosway Adjacent Landowners Association regarding the TransCanada Trail Relay 2000 Gala. FILED
RCMP	A letter from Clarence Bodden, Cpl, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police regarding a meeting with Council. FILED
Cassidy Crawford & Robert Briand	A letter from Cassidy Crawford and Robert J. Briand, residents regarding repairs to their driveway at 234 9 th Street. FILED
Alberta Infrastructure	A faxed message from Darrell Camplin, P. Eng., Alberta Infrastructure regarding the Fall AUMA Conference. FILED
Sherry Gore	A letter from Sherry Gore, resident, withdrawing her previous offer to purchase. FILED

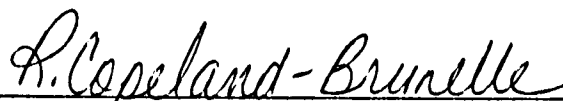
ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Fegan moved to adjourn @ 10:27 p.m.

CARRIED UNAN.



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER