

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE
OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2001 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE
BOARDROOM AT THE CRISTALLO TECHNOLOGIES PLANT

PRESENT

MAYOR	Dave Fegan
DEPUTY MAYOR	Ray Courtman
COUNCILLOR:	Len Priestman
COUNCILLOR	Fred Walters
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR	Ruth Copeland-Bruncelle
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN	Dale Wells

ABSENT

COUNCILLOR	Carol L'Abbee
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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fegan called the meeting to order at 7:28 P.M.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Walters moved adoption of the agenda with the following addition:

1. Correspondence Item #9-13 – Correspondence from Herman Witt re signage on the Old Memorial Hall lot. CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2001 regular Meeting of Council. CARRIED UNAN.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

½ Ton Truck	New headache rack and beacon light have been installed on the new ½ ton truck.
5 th Avenue	Coal mix was used to fill in the hole on 5 th Avenue. The Public Works Foreman was reminded to keep track of the amount of material used as this should be charged back to the Developer.
Garbage Truck	A new fan motor and glow plugs were installed in the garbage truck.
Fridges	All fridges at the transfer station have been degassed.
Culverts	Culverts were being steamed on a continuous basis.
ACE Employee	Have received an application from an individual who might qualify under the A.C.E. program. Looking to hire this person effective April 1, 2001.
Banff Conference	The Public Works Foreman recently attended the Water and Wastewater Conference in Banff. Spoke with representatives from Alberta Environment regarding the fencing around the sewer lagoon. The Public Works Foreman was informed that since the lagoon was more than 300 metres from the Village, that there was no requirement for fencing, however, we should firstly consult with our insurance company in that regard. The Public Works Foreman was instructed to obtain quotes for fencing for the lagoon for a shorter height than originally requested. The Public Works Foreman was also advised by the representatives from Alberta Environment that rip rap at the lagoon was also not required.
Lane east of Beacon Heights Road	Mayor Fegan advised the Public Works Foreman that the lane between Beacon Heights Road and Chinook Crescent will require some regrading.
Drainage Ditch	Councillor Walters advised the Public Works Foreman that there is a large piece of concrete culvert in the drainage ditch beside U.F.A. which should be removed.

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Reservoir #2

Deputy Mayor Courtman inquired about the chain link fencing around Reservoir #2. The Public Works Foreman advised that the fence would be re-installed at the top of the ridge and this would be done when the weather warms up.

6th Street & 4th Ave.
Culvert

Councillor Priestman advised Council that he had spoken with the Public Works Foreman about having something done with the culvert at 6th Street and 4th Avenue.

St. Mary's Church
Sewer line

Councillor Priestman advised Council that the sewer line at the St Mary's Catholic Church was blocked and would be dug up on March 15, 2001. A camera was sent through the sewer line and it is believed that the blockage is on church property.

Mayor Fegan excused himself and left the meeting @ 7:45 p.m. Deputy Mayor Courtman then acted as Chairperson for the meeting.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Councillor Walters moved to approve the account cheque #1652 to 1693 in the amount of \$22,752.53. CARRIED UNAN.

1652-1663	Payroll Cheques	6,260.10
1664	Canada Post	43.34
1665	Beiseker Civic Centre Foundation	100.00
1666	Best Western Siding 29 Lodge	352.80
1667	Acme farm & Building Centre Inc.	476.89
1668	AUMA Member Services	2,063.41
1669	Beiseker Grocery	138.06
1670	Beiseker Home Hardware	295.10
1671	D.L.F. Holdings Ltd.	44.91
1672	Canada Post	321.00
1673	Canwest Propane Inc.	577.92
1674	Country Graphics	123.05
1675	McNeill's Welding Ltd.	411.95
1676	Grand & Toy	37.96
1677	Alberta Association of M.D.'s & Counties	385.57
1678	Mobilshred	19.07
1679	Regional Assessment Management	503.79
1680	Dave Fegan	120.00
1681	Receiver General	4,355.89
1682	Alberta Health Care	272.00
1683	Case Credit Corporation	1,043.86
1684	Nemeth Planning Services Inc.	219.40
1685	Beiseker Automotive	523.81
1686	Welcome Wagon Ltd.	127.87
1687	CP Distributors Ltd.	301.74
1688	Beiseker Paint & Bodyworks	2,297.82
1689	Excel Chemwide Industrial Inc.	340.50
1690	WFR Wholesale fire & Rescue Ltd.	372.83
1691	Society of Local Gov't Managers	395.00
1692	Decsi Ltd.	120.96
1693	Best Cap & Sportswear Ltd.	105.93

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Priestman

Councillor Priestman advised Council that the Unsightly Premises Committee met on Tuesday, February 27, 2001. Kathy Flynn will be starting on May 1, 2001 as a Special Constable. Corporal Clarence Boddan of the Beiseker R.C.M.P. Detachment was also

in attendance at that meeting and the issue of abandoned and unlicensed vehicles was discussed.

Walters

Councillor Walters advised Council that the campground would open on April 15, 2001 to accommodate a road crew from Champion Drilling. Councillor Walters asked the Public Works Foreman if the chain link fence could be moved in the next few weeks.

Courtman

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that Administration was unable to locate the agreement between the Province and the Village of Beiseker, which authorized the Village to operate the airport. An agreement was supposedly entered into in 1990, however, a copy of the agreement could not be located. Deputy Mayor Courtman also advised Council that Administration has sent a letter to the M.D. of Rockyview regarding the annexation of the airport land.

The Airport Operating Society has submitted their application to the Provincial Government to register itself as a non-profit society under the Societies Act and are now in the process of preparing the necessary By-Laws and constitution.

Council took a recess from 8:05 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. to tour the Cristallo Plant with the Plant Manager Al Niven.

Mayor Fegan returned @ 9:15 p.m.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS cont'd

Fegan

Wild Rose Economic
Development

Mayor Fegan advised Council that the Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation was going ahead with it's plans to implement the Community Economic Development Opportunity Initiative. The two projects covered by the initiative were for a community business beautification program and the Highway 21 initiative. Loans for business beautification would be available to businesses through the local credit unions with the loans being guaranteed by WREDC.

Mayor Fegan also advised Council that the Community Futures Network Society of Alberta now has it's own web page.

Kneehill Water
Committee

Mayor Fegan advised Council that the next meeting of the Kneehill Water Committee would be held on March 15, 2001.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Airdrie EMS Open
House

The Administrator advised Council that Airdrie Emergency Services, specifically relating to ambulance service, were planning to hold a Community Meeting at the Community Hall on March 28, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. All members of Council were encouraged to attend. Members of the Fire Department have also been invited to attend. A personal invitation was been sent to the Golden Years Senior Club and the Beiseker Medical Clinic. This meeting is also open to the public. A copy of the proposed Agenda was provided to Council for their information.

Chamber of Commerce

The Administrator was contacted by Cally Cathcart of the Beiseker & District Chamber of Commerce in regard to a "Street Fair" that the Chamber was planning on hosting on Sport's Day and as a part of the festivities was arranging to bring in a dunk tank. The Chamber wanted to know if any members of Council would volunteer to sit in the dunk tank. Mayor Fegan indicated that he would be willing to participate.

Beiseker Civic Centre

The Administrator provided Council with a letter from Kathy

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Foundation

Flynn of the Beiseker Civic Centre Foundation indicating that the Foundation was now in a position to apply for a grant through the ICAP Program, but the grant must be applied for by The Village of Beiseker and not under the name of the Beiseker Civic Centre Foundation. In order for Kathy to proceed, a resolution of Council would be required to proceed with this grant application as well as providing the letter of support. Council discussed some concerns in regard to this project and asked Administration to have Ms. Flynn attend the next Council Meeting as a delegation to discuss the matter further.

Election of Mayor
(Chief Elected Official)

At the last Council Meeting, Councillor Priestman asked that Administration look into the requirements for holding an election for the office of Mayor. The Administrator cited the applicable sections of the Municipal Government Act.

The Administrator advised that if Council wished to pass such a bylaw, it would need to be done no later than the April 9th Council Meeting in order to meet the 180 day requirement under Section 151(1). Advertisements would have to be posted in the newspaper on March 27th and April 3rd to meet the advertisement requirements of the MGA.

The Administrator also pointed out that at the time of election, there would be 2 separate ballots. One ballot for those persons wishing to run for Council and one ballot for those persons wishing to run for the position of Mayor. A person could only run for the position of Mayor or Council, but not both. The disadvantage for a smaller municipality is sometimes it is difficult to find enough candidates to run for Council let alone having another ballot just for the position of Mayor. You may have a candidate that has chosen to run for Mayor, then loses, but who would have made a good Councillor. There may also be a situation where you have 5 candidates for Mayor and only 2 candidates for Council. Once the Mayor has been elected, he is there for the three year term. There is no opportunity to change Mayors at the annual organizational meeting.

Council decided that the Mayor would continue to be appointed by Council from among the Councillors.

1st Avenue
Reconstruction

At the request of the Mayor, Jason Finner of Urban Systems put together an estimate to have storm sewer, concrete curb and gutter done on 1st Avenue, a copy of that estimate was provided to Council for their information. The intention was to apply for a grant under the ICAP program for this portion of the project. A draft copy of the ICAP application was also provided to Council which also included a request for the paving project for 2002. Under Section II of the application, there is a requirement for the Local Government Council Resolution Number. Therefore, in order to proceed with this grant application, a resolution of Council would be required.

Res. #2001-039

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to make application under the Infrastructure Canada Alberta Partnership Program for road improvements to 1st Avenue which would include the installation of storm sewer, curb and gutter (on both sides) and paving in the year 2002. CARRIED UNAN.

2001 Assessments

The Administrator advised Council that the 2001 assessments had been received from our assessor. There were a few minor adjustments to be made with our assessor. The Administrator provided for Council's review the Assessment Journal. The Assessment Journal did not include assessments for linear property as those assessments had not been received by Alberta Municipal Affairs as yet.

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By-Law Enforcement Officer's Report -

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CORRESPONDENCE

AAMD & C	"Contact" The Newsletter of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, dated February 21, 2001.	FILED
AUMA	"Notes to Council", February 23, 2001.	FILED
Knechill Regional Water Committee	Regarding resolution for grant application.	FILED
AUMA	A letter from the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association regarding Provincial election survey Synopsis.	FILED
Beiseker Apartments	A letter from Russ Hibbert, Manager of Beiseker Apartments regarding vandalism within town limits.	FILED
Janice Culp	An E-mail from Janice Culp regarding Transcanada Trail.	FILED
AUMA	2001 AUMA Regional Seminars Agenda.	FILED
Alberta Municipal Financing Corp.	Annual Report and Notice to shareholders from Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation.	FILED
RCMP	Beiseker RCMP Detachment Community Monthly Report.	FILED
Village of Linden	A letter from Tammie Dick, Municipal Administrator, Village of Linden regarding Joint Village Meeting.	FILED
	Administration to advise the Village of Linden that Council would prefer the date of April 18, 2001 for the next Joint Council Meeting.	
Town of Peace River	A letter from Lorne G. Mann, Mayor, Town of Peace River regarding dissolution study.	FILED
Herman Witt	A letter from Herman Witt, Herman Witt Construction regarding the Construction of the Senior Citizens Complex.	FILED
Res. #2001-040	Councillor Walters moved to permit Herman Witt Construction to erect a sign on the Old Memorial Hall lot to advertise the proposed senior citizen's project.	CARRIED UNAN.

BY-LAWS

By-Law #2001-05

A By-Law of the Village of Beiseker to regulate Extended Dance Events within the corporate boundaries of the Village of Beiseker.

Second Reading

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to give By-Law #2001-05 second reading.

CARRIED UNAN.

Third Reading

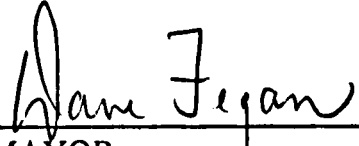
Mayor Fegan moved to give By-Law #2001-05 third reading.

CARRIED UNAN.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fegan moved the meeting adjourn at 10:21 p.m.

CARRIED UNAN.



MAYOR



MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR

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