

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2007
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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PRESENT

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| MAYOR | Bruce Rowe |
| DEPUTY MAYOR | Ray Courtman |
| COUNCILLOR | Brenda Hnybida |
| COUNCILLOR | Fred Walters |
| COUNCILLOR | Al Henuset |
| ACTING CAO | Gail Peckham |
| PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN | Bill Hnybida |
| DELEGATIONS | Fred Lee, Alberta Transportation Darren Bourget, Alberta Environment |

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Rowe called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councillor Hnybida to adopt the Agenda for the March 26, 2007 Regular Council meeting with the following additions to In-Camera items: Personnel, Kneehill Regional Water Services. CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

Councillor Walters moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on March 12, 2007. CARRIED UNAN.

Councillor Henuset moved to adopt the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council on March 14, 2007. CARRIED UNAN.

DELEGATIONS

Alberta Infrastructure Mr. Fred Lee reported to Council on the upgrades to be done to Highway 9, South and East of Beiseker as follows:

1. Highway #1 & #9 interchange - \$40 million.
2. #1 to North of Hwy #566.
3. North of Hwy #566 to Beiseker.
4. Beiseker to West of Hwy #21 (16)km - \$16 million.
5. West of Hwy #21 to Drumheller.
6. Hwy # 806 from Beiseker to Hwy #575 - 3 million for overlay.

Highway #9 will be widened from the corner of Hwy #72 towards the Esso Gas Station and Motel 9, and the present access/entrance will remain open.

Council informed Mr. Lee that the Village would like to erect the new Beiseker sign at the corner of Hwy #9 and the south entrance of Beacon Heights Road.

Alberta Environment Mr. Darren Bourget, District Compliance Officer with Alberta Environment Southern Region.

Res. #2007- 058 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to go in-camera at 7:30 pm to discuss the Burn Pit, the former Compact site, and Cristallo.

CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2007-059 Councillor Walters moved to reconvene from in-camera at 8:10 pm. CARRIED UNAN.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alleys The Public Works Foreman informed Council that the alleys in the Village will require more gravel this year as they are presently mostly mud.

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that some trees and shrubs in the alleys need to be trimmed in order for their equipment to pass through without being scratched.

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The Public Works Foreman informed Council that some residents are dumping their shrub and tree trimmings over their back fence into the alley. This should only be allowed during the annual fall clean-up day.

Street Repairs

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that some areas of streets are breaking up and need to be patched with cold mix.

Security Monitoring Systems

The Public Works Foreman submitted to Council two quotes for Security Monitoring Systems for reservoir #2, the village office, public works shop, the lift station, and two panic buttons. Administration will tally these quotes and bring the totals back for the next Council meeting.

Well #6

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that the Village of Beiseker gave Well #6 back to the Skuce family approximately 5 years ago. He inquired as to why a cheque payable to Mrs. Skuce for \$50.00 is still being issued and why the Village is still paying for the electricity. Administration will find the agreement made between the Village and Skuce's.

Banff Conference

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that the conference he attended in Banff was very interesting and he pointed out that there will be many changes to water issues in the next 5 years.

Watering of Flowers

The Public Works Foreman asked Council who will be responsible for planting, watering and the overall care of the flowers this year. Council informed him that in all likelihood, it will be the job of the Public Works Department.

Transfer Station

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that there are 5 weekends in the month of March and asked if on the 5th weekend the transfer station will be open or closed. Councillor Walters informed him that the station would be closed.

Trailer Side-rails
Res. #2007-060

Councillor Walters moved that the Public Works Foreman bring to the next meeting quotes for repairs to be completed on the trailer side-rails. CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2007-061

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:

Councillor Hnybida moved to approve the following accounts # 20070205 to 20070244 in the amount of \$129,577.98 with the exception of cheque #20070238 for \$50.00. CARRIED UNAN.

As per attached cheque listing for Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Hnybida

Recreation Board

Councillor Hnybida informed Council that she attended the Recreation Board meeting on March 22, 2007. Delegations were Trevor Hagel from the men's baseball team, and Kim Schmaltz from the Ag. Society.

Ball Diamond Rental Agreement

The ball diamond rental agreement was reviewed. Trevor Hagel informed the board that he spends quite a few volunteer hours and equipment to the maintenance of the large diamond. It was agreed that the rental fees for the men's team would be adjusted to compensate them for their labour.

Gopher Control

Trevor Hagel also mentioned that he has a license to purchase and apply a gas in the gopher holes that has been approved for gopher control. He is only permitted to apply this on his own land, however it may be possible for Public Works to obtain this same license, or contract the job out.

Cash in Lieu Funding (MD of Rocky View)

Kim Schmaltz presented a proposal for funding for the ice plant at the arena for cash in lieu funds. The board is to review the proposal and meet at a special meeting on March 18, 2007. Dari Lang (MD of Rocky View) will also be in attendance to review

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the MD's criteria, as this is the first application for such funding. If approved, they will forward the proposal along with a letter of support to the MD of Rocky View.

RVSD Joint Use Agreement

The Rec Board still feels that this agreement is very one sided and will request Council not to sign it yet. Wendy Metzger will be invited to attend the next Rec Board meeting to discuss their concerns.

MD of Rocky View

The Municipal District of Rocky View is hosting another information session with all Rec Boards in the MD on March 29, 2007.

Bank Account

The Rec Board closed an old account at the Credit Union (acct #0237263) and transferred \$853.57 to the Village of Beiseker account (code #173930-transfer of operations).

FCSS

Councillor Hnybida informed Council that they still have \$2,800 to spend for 2006 and the 2007 funding is \$21,700.

Councillor Hnybida informed Council that the Recycling Society could apply for money for the purchase of blue boxes or to have pamphlets made to distribute to the public.

Councillor Hnybida informed Council that the FCSS coordinator ran a second babysitting course on March 24, 2007.

Councillor Hnybida informed Council that FCSS is in the process of updating their by-law.

Councillor Hnybida inquired as to whether or not the FCSSA has been paid for 2007. Administration will verify if it has been paid or not.

CPR Station
Renovations

Councillor Hnybida inquired as to how renovations are progressing and why the contractor isn't working on weekends when there is nobody in the office.

Courtman
Airport

Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that the terminal placement project has not taken place because of the ground being so wet.

Beiseker Fire Dept.

Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that Rocky View Municipal District #44 has not seen the proposal regarding the Beiseker Fire Department and the MD joining forces. He is meeting with Ted Gard after the pandemic exercise to discuss this.

Kneehill Regional
Water Commission

Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that the KRWC monthly meeting was held on March 22, 2007. Shelly Harriman of Gregory Harriman and Associates presented the Financial Statement for 2006. It was required that we post our capital assets and depreciate them over the 25 years that the water line is to be in operation. That, along with the lack of water sales, leaves the commission \$439,560.00 in debt. The Commission is operating under ministerial permission to operate at a deficit until the end of 2009. The Rocky View Balzac project is still in negotiation. There is much false information and fear mongering propagated mostly by some provincial political parties in opposition. The Council of the Town of Drumheller is concerned about future upgrades to the water treatment plant as more and more water is drawn through the system. These upgrades are not projected to be required for many, many years to come. The THM issue is still ongoing although this does not concern Beiseker's water. Those communities which have higher levels of THM are lowering the levels of their reservoirs so their communities use the water faster, thus it doesn't sit in storage for too long.

Dr. Lavens'
Celebration

Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that the celebration for Dr. Lavens was a huge success with approximate 175 people in attendance.

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Vandalism

Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that the vandalism in Beacon Heights is escalating by each week, and the motorbikes and quads are continuing to cause disturbances in the neighborhood.

Walters

Rockyview
Foundation

Councillor Walters informed Council that the next Rockyview Foundation meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 28, 2007.

Railway Museum

Councillor Walters informed Council that he attended the Railway Museum meeting on March 21, 2007. The railway cars that are currently sitting at AgriMax (formerly Sulphur Works) will be moved to the Beiseker Museum site in July, 2007. The snow plow and coal car will be painted at that time.

Canadian Badlands

Councillor Walters informed Council that he attended the Canadian Badlands meeting on March 16, 2007 in Brooks. Some of the points covered were: future discussions with Trail Net to develop new trails; Red Deer River tours; three year strategy plan. The next meeting (conference call) is scheduled for April 27, 2007, and the Canadian Badlands Annual General Meeting will be held April 13, 2007 in Gleichen.

Councillor Walters informed Council that he would like to attend "Building the Brand" seminar in Cluny, Alberta on April 13, 2007.

Res. #2007-062

Councillor Walters moved that Council approve his attendance at the "Building the Brand" seminar in Cluny, Alberta on April 13, 2007 and pay the \$25.00 registration fee.
CARRIED UNAN.

Campground
Managers

Councillor Walters informed Council that Jack and Rina Heck have contacted him and are ready to commence work at the campground. They will arrive in mid April.

Henuset

Economic Develop-
ment Committee

Councillor Henuset informed Council that he attended the EDC meeting on March 15, 2007. A discussion was held in regards to the new village sign. Suggestions were made that it be placed at the south limits of the Village on Highway #9.

Councillor Henuset informed Council that Gail Peckham has ordered the flowers from Swalwell Greenhouse for all of the flower pots for main street, the Village Office, and the Tourist Booth Park.

Councillor Henuset informed Council that EDC will order new tourism brochures once the layout of the design has been decided on.

Councillor Henuset informed Council that the seniors will be requested in writing, to spearhead the painting of a mural on the side wall of Beiseker Paint & Body Works.

Councillor Henuset informed Council that thank you cards will be sent out to those who helped with the "Light up the Night" Christmas party.

Councillor Henuset informed Council that a Main Street Beautification Committee has been set up and will meet on April 4, 2007.

Councillor Henuset informed Council that the BBQ that EDC used for the Christmas party is still in the Tourist Booth. He requested Public Works to return the Deputy Mayor's BBQ back to his house.

Wild Rose Economic
Development Corp.

Councillor Henuset informed Council that he attended the Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation meeting on March 1, 2007. This organization will now be known as Community Futures Wild Rose. New signage will be required. An operation plan was approved for the year as well as developing a business visitation program with the intention of visiting every business in the area over the next year. Next meeting will held April 5, 2007.

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- Rowe**
Diamond A
Developments Inc. Mayor Bruce Rowe informed Council that he has signed the agreement between Diamond A Developments and the Village of Beiseker. He also informed Council that once the land has been registered, Cartel will only be purchasing half of lot #4.
- AUMA Environment Meeting Mayor Bruce Rowe informed Council that he attended the AUMA Environment meeting in regards to recycling. He suggested that these programs should be subsidized according to how much recycling each municipality sells, and recommends that the Village of Beiseker Council put a resolution on the floor at AUMA Convention.
- SDAB Seminar Mayor Rowe informed Council that he attended a Sub Division Appeal Board seminar in Vegreville on March 23, 2007.
- Beiseker Apartments Mayor Rowe informed Council that he had a meeting with a company that is interested in purchasing the Beiseker Apartments and converting these into condos. They will submit their ideas and proposal to Council.
- Former CAO Mayor Rowe informed Council that he spoke to RCMP Sargent Randy Yaschuk regarding the former CAO and the money she still owes to the Village. Sargent Yaschuk suggested to Mayor Rowe that the Village pursue these fraudulent charges through Small Claims as opposed to the Solicitor General.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Pandemic Training The Acting CAO reminded Council that the third and final Pandemic day will be held on the morning of March 29th. Deputy Mayor Courtman and Mayor Rowe are registered for this course.
- CAO Job Posting The Acting CAO informed Council that the cost for advertising the CAO position on the MWXtra website is \$400.00.
- Res. #2007-063 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that Council approve the advertisement on the MWXtra website for the CAO position at a cost of \$400.00. CARRIED UNAN.
- Councillor's Reports The Acting CAO requested permission to attach their councillor reports to the Council minutes as opposed to typing these in the minutes. Council preferred to leave it as is with their reports included as part of the minutes.
- In-Camera Items The Acting CAO informed Council that she inquired as to the proper procedure when recording information in the minutes regarding in-camera items. The details of in-camera items are not to be revealed but the subject of the in-camera items must be included in the minutes.
- DBC Contractors Ltd.**
- Outstanding Invoice Mayor Bruce Rowe informed Council that he met with DBC Contractors Ltd. at the Urban Systems office last week to discuss the outstanding invoice regarding Skyland Industrial Park. Don Beddows of DBC agreed to deduct \$7,200 off of the approximate \$128,000 invoice. Kevin Lovestrom of Urban Systems will meet with DBC to try and negotiate an additional discount.
- Res. #2007-064 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that Mayor Rowe have authorization to approve payment to DBC for the outstanding balance once Kevin Lovestrom has finalized his negotiations with DBC Contractors Ltd. CARRIED UNAN.
- Staff Meal Policy Council reviewed the existing policy that establishes meal expenses for staff.
- Res. #2007-065 Mayor Bruce moved that the Staff Meal Policy be amended as follows:
\$8.00 for breakfast, \$12.00 for lunch, \$25.00 for dinner for a total maximum per day of \$45.00 with receipts. CARRIED UNAN.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

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| Persona | The Amazing Persona Community Investment Program. Deputy Mayor Courtman suggested that the Fire Department apply for this funding to help offset the cost of a portable water storage tank. | FILED |
| Joint Agreement with RVSD | Joint agreement between the Village of Beiseker and Rocky View School Division. | FILED |
| Res. #2007-066 | Councillor Henuset moved that the Village of Beiseker enter into an agreement with the Board of Trustees of Rocky View School Division No. 41 to hold a joint election in conjunction with the Municipal Election in October, 2007. | CARRIED UNAN. |
| Municipal Sponsorship Grant | Minister of Municipal Affairs re application for a grant under the 2006 Municipal Sponsorship Program. | FILED |
| Canada Summer Jobs | Service Canada re the new Canada Summer Jobs Initiative. | |
| AAMD&C | AAMD&C Contact dated March 9, 2007. | FILED |
| RVSD | Rocky View School Division re Three Year Education Plan. | FILED |
| Alberta Municipal Affairs | Alberta Municipal Affairs re hosting Assessment Review Board training sessions. | FILED |
| Municipal Affairs Disaster Recovery | Minister of Municipal Affairs re assistance for Disaster Recovery. Deputy Mayor Courtman will send another letter regarding disaster recovery. | FILED |
| Population Facts | Alberta 2006 Population and Dwelling Release Quick Facts. | FILED |
| Fire Safety Officer | Alberta Municipal Affairs re Fire Safety Officer-Calgary Region. | FILED |
| Fortis Alberta | Fortis Alberta re Skyland Industrial Park. | FILED |
| Bohemia Group | Bohemia Group Inc. re Land Development Opportunity in Beiseker. Administration will send a letter to Mr. John Kooistra, Baptist Church Board member advising him and the board that the Village Office receives numerous phone calls regarding property for sale. | FILED |
| Letter from M. Robinson | A letter from MaryAnn Robinson with respect to Gore's. | FILED |
| Civic Solutions | Civic Solutions Inc. is a new firm specializing in temporary employment options. | FILED |
| FCM | FCM Members Advisory dated March 20, 2007. | FILED |
| Nemeth Planning | Karl Nemeth re road closure plan in Skyland. | FILED |
| | <u>BY-LAWS</u> | |
| By-Law #2006-12 | Community Standards By-law – tabled to the next meeting. | |
| By-Law #2007-03 | A By-Law of the Village of Beiseker in the Province of Alberta for the purpose of amending the off-site levies to be paid by the owners or purchasers of land requiring Municipal utility services from the Village of Beiseker. | |

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First Reading Councillor Walters moved first reading of By-Law #2007-03.
CARRIED UNAN.

By-Law #2007-02 A By-Law to amend Land Use By-Law #98-14. The land legally described as Plan 42011A, Block 1 be redesignated from its current designation of Urban Reserve (UR) to General Industrial (MG) in the Village of Beiseker, in the Province of Alberta.

First Reading Councillor Hnybida moved first reading of By-Law #2007-02.
CARRIED UNAN.

A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2007 from 6:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Village of Beiseker Council Chambers.

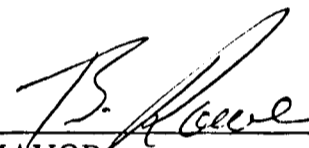
IN CAMERA:

Res. #2007-067 Councillor Henuset moved to go in-camera at 10:33 p.m to discuss personnel and Kneehill Regional Water Commission. CARRIED UNAN.

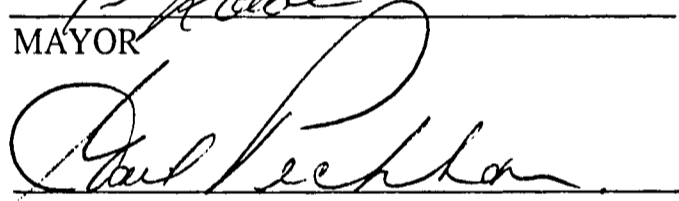
Res. #2007-068 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to reconvene from in-camera at 10:50 p.m.
CARRIED UNAN.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Councillor Hnybida that the meeting adjourn at 10:51 p.m.
CARRIED UNAN.



MAYOR



MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR