

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
VILLAGE OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2007  
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
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**PRESENT**

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	Gregory, Harriman & Associates

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Rowe called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

Moved by Councillor Walters to adopt the Agenda for the April 23, 2007 Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED UNAN.

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:**

Councillor Henuset moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on April 10, 2007 with the following change: The Stage East Group donated \$1,500.00 to the Beiseker Community Centre, not \$500.00.

CARRIED UNAN.

Councillor Hnybida moved to adopt the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council on April 10, 2007.

CARRIED UNAN.

**DELEGATIONS:**

Gregory, Harriman  
& Associates

Karen Gregory and Maureen Noble of Gregory, Harriman & Associates presented the Audited Financial Statement for the Village of Beiseker for the year ending December 31, 2006 as per attached.

Res. #2007-087

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that \$154,764.00 be transferred from the opening balance surplus to the current year deficit.

CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2007-088

Councillor Henuset moved to accept the audited financial statement for the year ending December 31, 2006.

CARRIED UNAN.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

Potable Water

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that 28 loads of potable water were hauled in from Miller Trucking of Airdrie at a cost of approximately \$4000.00. This kept up with the demand of water since the boil water advisory began on April 18, 2007, and kept the reservoir at 50% capacity for fire protection.

The five towns/villages that have been affected by the high turbidity levels in the water, Beiseker, Irricana, Acme, Linden, and Carbon, have been alternating their deliveries to the lab in Calgary to eliminate the costs of couriers. All costs incurred will be kept track of for recuperation. The water will be tested every day until the advisory has been lifted. Public Works employees Claire Geddes and Ward Kisko, have been available to work on the weekends during this mishap.

Resignation of P/W  
Employee

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that Darcy Wright resigned on Friday, April 20, 2007. He will be looking into hiring another utility operator to replace him as soon as possible.

Storm Sewer Pump

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the storm sewer pump has arrived, but not the control panel.

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Community Centre The Public Works Foreman informed Council that some areas of the roof on the Community Centre are in need of tarring. He will contact a professional roofer for more information of what should be done.

The Public Works Foreman informed Council that he is waiting for estimates for mechanical tracking for the stage curtains at the Community Centre.

Campground The Public Works Foreman informed Council that the water has been turned on at the campground and everything is functioning properly.

Friendship Park The Public Works Foreman informed Council that the water has been turned on at Friendship Park and the washrooms have been cleaned.

Home Hardware Invoice The Public Works Foreman informed Council that there was a charge on the Public Works Home Hardware bill for a pair of tin snips, initialled by a councillor. The Foreman requested to be informed of purchases that are charged to the P/W account.

Intrusion Alarm The Public Works Foreman informed Council that the intrusion alarm on the Village Office is not working properly. The wire has been disconnected and therefore in the event of an intrusion, the alarm company and police would be notified, but the alarm would not sound in the building. He will discuss this with the contractor who is replacing the siding and rectify the problem.

Gravel The Public Works Foreman informed Council that the streets and alleys are in dire need of more gravel. He will check out gravel prices and bring back to Council.

**ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL:**

Res. #2007-089 Councillor Walters moved to approve the following account cheques # 20070282 to 20070317 in the amount of \$26,718.21 with the exception of cheque # 20070303 in the amount of \$75.15, as per attached list.

CARRIED UNAN.

Res. #2007-090 Councillor Henuset moved to approve account cheque #20070303 in the amount of \$75.15 payable to Fremar Enterprises. Councillor Walters abstained from voting or commenting on the above item.

CARRIED UNAN.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

**Hnybida**

Recreation Board

Councillor Hnybida informed Council that she attended a meeting on March 18, 2007. Dari Lang from the MD attended this meeting to assist in reviewing a request for funding from the Ag Society. I had informed the board that the Ag Society had come to the last Council meeting and requested \$50,000 from the Village. Dari informed the Rec Board that they could only approve the amount of \$41,667.00 as presented, OR the Ag Society could resubmit their request with the new numbers.

The Rec Board agreed to approve the request of \$41,667.00 that night, so as not to delay the project. However, the Ag Society then decided to reapply for the full \$50,000.00 and will submit the revised application to the Rec Board for the March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Rec Board also reviewed the Reciprocal Use Agreement from the Rocky View School Division. The Board is still not happy with this agreement, as it appears to be one sided. The school may use our facilities free of charge, but we are limited as to when we can utilize the school.

Wendy Metzger will be attending the meeting on April 26<sup>th</sup> to answer some of the questions. Councillor Hnybida requests Council not to sign this agreement as of yet.

Baptist Church Land Councillor Hnybida informed Council that Administration sent a letter to John Kooistra, treasurer of the Baptist Church, regarding a developer (Bohemia Group) interested in purchasing the church lands.

**Courtman**

Kneehill Regional Water Commission Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that the Village of Beiseker has been under a "Boil Water Advisory" since Tuesday afternoon of April 17, 2007. No bacteria have been detected in the water up to today, however we are continuing with the advisory as a precautionary measure.

Deputy Mayor Courtman publicly praises the action and work of our Acting CAO, the Beiseker office staff, our consultant and the public works staff for their handling of this situation with diligence and dispatch.

Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that we were criticized in some media that we were the last community to react to the boil water advisory from the public health systems but defends that move in that we knew we had a couple of days lead time before any of the compromised water entered our system and that it was important that we got all the facts straight from those handling the situation. That was accomplished when Bill Hnybida and I attended the special meeting of KRWSC in Acme on Tuesday, April 17, 2007. All of our residents were informed of the precautionary boil water advisory by Tuesday afternoon of April 17, 2007 at approximately 4:00 pm.

**Update on water issues as of April 21, 2007.**

1. The flushing program from Kirkpatrick to Acme was finalized at 9:00 pm, Friday April 20. The Village of Acme was hooked up and the water was started at a low flow.
2. The communities of Linden, Irricana, and Beiseker will have the water turned on Saturday, April 21. Fill rates will be low and reservoirs will be filled in 2 days.
3. Carbon will be the final community hooked up on Saturday afternoon.

**Important Facts**

1. THE BOIL WATER ADVISORY IS STILL IN EFFECT.
2. THE WATER BEING DELIVERED IN THE COMMUNITY RESERVOIRS IS BEING TESTED NUMEROUS TIMES A DAY.
3. Each community in the KRWSC will be contacted and advised when they can remove the Boil Water Advisory. The commission is planning to release the whole system from the Boil Water Advisory simultaneously to avoid any confusion.

Drumheller & Dist.  
Solid Waste

Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that the regular meeting for Drumheller & District Solid Waste was held on April 19, 2007. The Association paid Topwaste \$16,234.96 in February, \$20,061.56 in March; paid MCL (packing and covering) \$20,509.47 in February and \$23,988.76 in March. The second draft of our Environment Assessment of our new landfill cell will go to the CAMRIF people next week and we are expecting it to be accepted. The Huxted contract to bring Strathmore's garbage to Drumheller is now at the lawyers for finetuning, definitions, etc. The idea is to have stairs placed at each Transtor site has been declined. The truck driver is expected to walk around on the road provided. If an individual member wishes to install stairs, they should do so under the regulations of the Occupation Health and Safety Code at their own expense. The Village of Standard will cover the cost of the Transtor site expansion. They and the DDSWMA will seek provincial funding. Bio-Synergy has finally been settled and the construction will start in May. We'll mix the product with compost and wood chips. DDSWMA will purchase a used chipper for about \$1500.00 to chip incoming clean wood to be added to the reclaimed soil. The DDSWMA is no longer able to accept animals suspected of having BSE. The regulations for dealing with such carcasses makes processing them cost prohibitive. The commission wants a copy of the complete report on the work done at the Beiseker Transtor site dealing with the deficiencies cited in the letter from Alberta Environment. Linden will get the new Transtor in 2007. The

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DDSWMA will not become members of the Southern Alberta Waste Management Association however, help or expertise will be given if they require. The province has indicated that it is still working on the details of their Paint Stewardship Program. It will likely work like the tire recycling and the e-cycling programs. The next meeting will be held on June 21, 2007.

- Beiseker Airport      The terminal placement project has still not taken place because of the wet ground and snowy weather.
- Trans Fat              Deputy Mayor Courtman suggested that the Village of Beiseker request the Calgary Health Region to make a short presentation to Council on Trans Fat.
- Beiseker Fire Dept.    Deputy Mayor Courtman informed Council that it appears that the MD #44 has not seen our proposal to bring the fire departments closer together. Deputy Mayor Courtman will once again contact Ted Gard to propose that Beiseker be a player in this "regional system" they are planning. This will be addressed at the joint council meeting to be held in May.

**Walters**

- Rockyview Foundation      Councillor Walters informed Council that the next Rocky View Foundation meeting will be April 25, 2007.
- Canadian Badlands      Councillor Walters informed Council that he attended the Canadian Badlands AGM meeting held in Cluny on April 19, 2007, and the Branding Seminar which very interesting.
- Campground              Councillor Walters informed Council that Jack and Rina Heck have started work at the campground.
- Recycling                Councillor Walters informed Council that 40% of the recycling comes from Irricana, and 3% from Acme.
- Railway Museum        Councillor Walters informed Council that the Railway Museum Society has purchased a tractor and mower to cut their grass, and will be laying more track on the north end of the existing track.
- Councillor Walters informed Council that the Railway Museum would like Council to approve a Pattison sign to be located within the Village. From this sign, the museum would receive much needed revenue. More information is required.

**Henuset**

No report.

**Rowe**

- CAO Resumes              Mayor Bruce Rowe informed Council that he would like to contact some of the people that have applied for the position of CAO.
- Radio Launch            Mayor Rowe informed Council that he attended the radio launch in Airdrie on April 12, 2007.
- School Taxes              Mayor Rowe informed Council that the school requisition is up 12% from last year.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- Intermunicipal Mtg.    The Acting CAO advised Council that she received some meeting dates from the MD for the intermunicipal meeting. Council chose May 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Village Clean-up  
Toxic Round-up        The Acting CAO informed Council that the annual Village Clean-up Day is May 12<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Office and ending at Friendship Park for a hot-

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- Spring Clean-up  
Garage Sale dog lunch, the Toxic Round-up is May 19<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Hall, Spring Clean-up is May 22, and the annual garage sale day is set for June 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Q91 The Acting CAO advised Council that John Oostra from Q91 would like the Village to share the costs of the radio promo to be held at the Country Fair on June 9th with 3 other businesses in Beiseker. The cost would be \$325.00.
- Res. #2007-091 Councillor Walters moved that the Village of Beiseker enter into the agreement with Q91 to share the costs of the radio promo on June 9, 2007, for \$325.00.
- Budget Meeting The budget meeting will held May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

Councillor Henuset moved to approve the Financial Statement for the month ending March 31, 2007. CARRIED UNAN.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Res. #2007-092 Councillor Walters moved that the Village of Beiseker proclaim June 4-10<sup>th</sup>, 2007 as National Seniors Week.
- EMS Workshop Ron Leaf & Associates re regional emergency management workshop hosted in Beiseker. FILED
- FCM FCM re Annual Conference. FILED
- Alberta Municipal Affairs & Housing Alberta Municipal Affairs and Housing re 2006 population. FILED
- Quicksilver Quicksilver re Sweet Gas Well at LS 12, Sec 11, Twp 28, Rge 26, W4th M. FILED
- AAMD&C AAMD&C Contact Press Release April 19, 2007. FILED
- Ruth Copeland Ruth Copeland-Brunelle re Consulting CAO Final Report. FILED

**IN CAMERA:**

- Res. #2007-093 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to go in-camera a 10:25 pm. CARRIED UNAN.
- Res. #2007-094 Councillor Walters moved to reconvene from in-camera at 11:20 pm. CARRIED UNAN.
- Res. #2007-095 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that the Village of Beiseker proceed with the development as per the engineers drawings of 8<sup>th</sup> Street. CARRIED
- Res. #2007-096 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that the Village of Beiseker award the 8<sup>th</sup> St. project contract to Foran Equipment for \$766,067.90 plus GST. CARRIED
- Res. #2007-097 Mayor Rowe moved that the Village of Beiseker give the residents of 8<sup>th</sup> Street the option of leaving the street the same width at an additional cost to be borne by the residents through a local improvement tax, or narrowing the street as per the engineered drawings. DEFEATED
- Res. #2007-098 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that the Village of Beiseker proceed with the full development of 8<sup>th</sup> Street including asphalt to a total cost of \$861,049.70 plus GST of which \$133,434.00 will be a local improvement tax to the residents of 8<sup>th</sup> Street. CARRIED UNAN.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Councillor Hnybida that the meeting adjourn at 11:22 p.m.

CARRIED UNAN.



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MAYOR



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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR