

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2004
AT 7:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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PRESENT

MAYOR	Dave Fegan
DEPUTY MAYOR	Ray Courtman
COUNCILLOR	Brenda Hnybida
COUNCILLOR	Len Priestman
COUNCILLOR	Bruce Rowe
MUNIICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR	Ruth Copeland-Brunelle
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN	Dale Wells
ROCKYVIEW FIVE VILLAGE WEEKLY DELEGATION	Enrique Massot Corporal Clarence Bodden, Beiseker R.C.M.P. Detachment

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fegan called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved adoption of the Agenda with the following additions:

1. Add Item 7(a) – Additional Cheque Listing for Council;
2. Add Correspondence Item #9-8 – RBC Royal Bank re closure of the Beiseker Grocery Store;
3. Add Correspondence Item #9-9 – E-Mail from Faye Engler re an invitation to the Cosway Adjacent Landowners & AALPAL meeting;
4. Add Correspondence Item #9-10 – AUMA March 19, 2004 Media Release re Alberta Supernet;
5. Add Correspondence Item #9-11 - AUMA February 2004 Notes to Council...Highlights from the Board;
6. Add In Camera Item #11(2) – Compak Filter;
7. Add In Camera Item #11(3) – Beiseker Airport;
8. Add In Camera Item #11(4) – Old Memorial Hall Lot.

CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Councillor Rowe moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 8, 2004.

CARRIED UNAN.

DELEGATIONS

Corporal Clarence
Bodden, Beiseker
R.C.M.P.
Detachment

Corporal Bodden advised Council that the R.C.M.P. Commissioner had again identified youth issues as a priority for 2004/2005. In larger centres issues such as youth gangs, car thefts and daily break-ins are the norm, whereas in this area, the majority of the complaints dealing with youth are traffic related infractions and skateboarding. Statistics show that 80% of all vehicle fatalities are as a result of motorists not stopping at stop signs. The R.C.M.P. is working on a program directed at youth which will be an all encompassing program to include a number of issues. The R.C.M.P. are hoping to partner with the schools for the program delivery. In the past, the R.C.M.P. have traditionally been a part of the graduation festivities.

Corporal Bodden advised Council that the program is in the early stages of development. The purpose of the letter to Council was to obtain feedback in preparation of the program. Deputy Mayor Courtman suggested that youth traffic violations should also be referred to the Youth Justice Committee. Council advised Corporal Bodden that the Village is definitely supportive of this youth program and that the Village will provide what assistance it can.

Council took a short recess between 7:55 p.m. to 8:14 p.m.

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Beiseker Arena
Insurance Grant

The Administrator advised Council that the Arena Board has seen their insurance premiums increase \$4,566.00 from 2003. Each year, the Village has provided a grant to the Arena Board of \$4,000.00 towards the insurance costs. The Arena Board works very hard to keep the arena operating. The Administrator suggested that Council should perhaps consider increasing the amount of the 2004 insurance grant to help offset the increase in insurance premiums.

Res. #2004-30

Councillor Rowe moved that the Village of Beiseker provide the Arena Board with a grant in the amount of \$4,000.00 towards the 2004 insurance premiums at this time. Administration to request that the Arena Board provide a copy of their last audited Financial Statement for Council's review. Administration to advise the Arena Board that once Council has reviewed the arena's financial statement, that Council will during it's budget deliberations consider paying the Arena Board additional grant funding.

PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS

Storm Lines

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that all of the storm lines were steamed.

Vehicle Servicing

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that both the garbage truck and Thomas had been serviced.

Stop Sign

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the four way stop sign at the intersection of 6th Street and 3rd Avenue was repaired.

New Restaurant

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that four (4) loads of gravel were hauled to UFA to restore their entrance driveway after the services were installed to the new restaurant.

Flower Boxes

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the forms for the new flower boxes were finished, six (6) flower pots were poured and taken to Lampson's for sandblasting.

Street Sweeping

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that street sweeping started on March 22, 2004. Main Street (6th Street) will be swept on March 23, 2004.

Road Grading

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that it was still too early to start grading the roads, however, this would be done as soon as all of the frost was out of the ground.

Sidewalks

The Public Works Foreman suggested to Council that the entire three (3) blocks of sidewalk on the north side of 7th Street should be replaced in 2004 and not just two (2) blocks. This item will be discussed further during budget deliberations.

SIP Grant

The Public Works Foreman suggested that the Streets Improvement Grant Funding could be used to pave the remaining unpaved section of Crescent Drive and perhaps placing aggregate on 7th & 8th Streets and 3rd & 4th Avenues. Costing for these items will need to be determined for budget consideration.

Culvert at 4th
Avenue & 6th Street

Councillor Priestman advised the Public Works Foreman that the culvert at the corner of 4th Avenue & 6th Street in front of the apartment buildings needs to be cleaned out.

Dirt Pile at
Apartments

Councillor Priestman noted that the dirt pile in front of one of the apartment buildings still had not been removed as has previously been discussed with the apartment manager. Administration was instructed to send a letter to the apartment building owner advising that if the dirt pile was not removed on or before May 15, 2004, that the Public Works Staff would remove the dirt and that the owner would be charged accordingly.

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ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to approve the accounts cheque #20040223 to #20040258, excluding account cheque #20040239, in the amount of \$76,873.79.
CARRIED UNAN.

20040223	Vesey's Seeds	206.48
20040225	Fremar Enterprises	270.00
20040224 & 2004226 to		
20040234	Payroll Cheques	5,188.70
20040235	Agline	163.92
20040236	AIM Medical Equipment	659.12
20040237	Alberta One-call Corporation	8.03
20040238	Alberta Rose Insurance Agencies	90.00
20040239	APPROVED SEPARATELY	00.00
20040240	Beiseker Home Hardware	96.49
20040241	Canadian Waste Services Inc.	292.82
20040242	Canwest Propane Inc.	606.24
20040243	Chamco Industries Ltd.	869.39
20040244	Ruth Copeland	517.57
20040245	Federation of Canadian Municipalities	191.00
20040246	Fremar Enterprises	134.55
20040247	Konica Minolta Business Solutions	85.95
20040248	Telus	982.34
20040249	Atco Gas	503.13
20040250	Municipal Information Systems Inc.	331.58
20040251	Petty Cash	65.79
20040252	Recall	48.26
20040253	Redline Service Ltd.	737.54
20040254	Doug Scott	10.58
20040255	U.F.A.	1,149.44
20040256	Dale Wells	100.41
20040257	R.J. Stroub	512.00
20040258	Minister of Finance	63,052.46

Mayor Fegan moved to approve account cheque #20040239 to Beiseker Automotive in the amount of \$65.55. CARRIED

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

NEW BUSINESS
COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Priestman
Volunteer Committee
& Volunteer
Appreciation Night

Councillor Priestman advised Council that the committee which was set up to organize the Volunteer Appreciation Night appears to be running well and it is anticipated that the appreciation function will be a good event with door prizes, music and refreshments.

Beiseker Arena

Councillor Priestman discussed at length with Council regarding his ongoing concerns related to the issue that the Beiseker Arena Board had not obtained new-engineered drawings for the mechanical component of the latest dressing room addition. The remaining members of Council advised that they were comfortable with the Arena Board utilizing the prior mechanical engineered drawings that were used during construction of the previous dressing room addition.

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Fegan

Kneehill Regional
Services
Commission

Mayor Fegan advised Council that the next meeting of the Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission was scheduled for Thursday, March 25, 2004.

Hnybida

Campground

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that the campground manager will be back on April 20, 2004. Mr. Stroub has to date brought in six (6) chuckwagons for display at the campground. Councillor Hnybida noted that some of the chuckwagons need repair and she will be discussing the matter with Mr. Stroub.

Education Advisory
Committee

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that she attended a meeting of the Education Advisory Committee on March 18, 2004. Wendy Metzger was present at the meeting. The Beiseker School participated in a "Trickster" presentation which was facilitated by a theatre group. The Committee thanked the Fire Department for their presentation to the Grade 1 & Grade 3 classes. No increases are anticipated for transportation costs for the next school year. The Rockyview School Division will be moving their head office to a new education support centre in Airdrie which they hope to have open by the summer of 2005.

New Beiseker Sign

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that Harry Kaufmann has indicated that the new Beiseker sign to be installed at the intersection of Highway #9, #72 & #806 should be completed by the end of April 2004.

Courtman

Airport

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that the Airport Committee will be meeting in Calgary on March 25, 2004.

Sidewalks

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that the sidewalk in front of his home has disintegrated and that he plans on effecting some repairs to it this summer. Deputy Mayor Courtman suggested that some kind of sidewalk program needs to be developed whereby residents wishing to have the sidewalk in front of their property replaced make a request for the work to be done and that the cost of such replacement would then be charged out as a frontage.

Council took a short recess between 9:42 p.m. and 9:49 p.m.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Alberta Supernet &
Wy-Com

The Administrator provided Council with a proposal from a company called Wy-Com who assists rural communities in providing high speed internet access. Wy-Com creates the infrastructure required within the community to provide the internet service. Wy-Com then empowers the municipality to operate as the ISP (Internet Service Provider) which then creates a revenue stream for the municipality. Basically, Wy-Com and the municipality would share the revenue on a percentage basis. In the discussions that I had with the contact with Wy-Com, with the municipality being the ISP provider, it would then be our responsibility to generate the invoicing for the internet service being provided to the community. The Administrator advised Council that she believes that this is only the first of many companies that will be approaching the municipality wanting to provide high speed internet service to the community. With technology the way it is going now, the methods by which high speed internet is delivered is going to change dramatically. The Administrator recommended to Council to advise Wy-Com that we are not interested in their proposal at this time.

Res. #2004-31

Councillor Rowe moved to advise Wy-Com that the Village of Beiseker is not interested in entering into a partnership with Wy-Com for high speed internet service at this point in time.
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Year End Audit -
Fire Truck

The Administrator advised Council that with respect to the purchase of the new fire truck, our auditors are recommending that the balance of the purchase price of \$10,000.00 which was paid in 2004, should be covered from our 2003 accumulated operating surplus. The truck was actually purchased in 2003 although the balance of the purchase price was not paid until January 2004. By recording that the balance has been paid from the accumulated operating surplus, this amount will not have to be budgeted for in 2004. The auditors have requested that if Council is agreeable to this recommendation, that Council pass a resolution accordingly.

Res. #2004-32

Mayor Fegan moved that the sum of \$10,000.00 being the balance of the purchase price for the new fire truck, be paid from the 2003 accumulated operating surplus.
CARRIED UNAN.

Municipal Excellence
Workshop

The Administrator advised Council that she attended a workshop hosted by Alberta Municipal Affairs in Red Deer on March 16, 2004 in regard to the Municipal Excellence Network. The Administrator advised Council that the Municipal Excellence Network is a website wherein municipalities can post their "leading practices" in the areas of Council, Administration, Human Resources etc. There are presently over 280 practices that have been posted on the website from a large number of municipalities. The Administrator encouraged all of Council to browse the Municipal Excellence webpage @ www.menet.ab.ca.

LGAA Conference

The Administrator advised Council that on March 17 - 19, 2004 she attended the Local Government Administration Association conference in Red Deer. Representatives from Alberta Transportation and Alberta Municipal Affairs were present to give updates on grant programs and training initiatives. More information would be forthcoming after the Provincial Budget is tabled on March 24, 2004.

The Administrator advised Council that as a Board member of the LGAA, the LGAA Board has requested that she represent the LGAA as a fraternal delegate at the Manitoba Administrator's Conference in Winnipeg from April 18 - 21, 2004. All expenses are covered by either the LGAA or the Manitoba Association. The Administrator requested Council's permission to attend the Manitoba conference and Council approved the Administrator's request.

BY-LAW OFFICER'S REPORT

By-Law Enforcement Report for January 2004 & February 2004.

FILED

CORRESPONDENCE

Alberta Environment

A letter from Alberta Environment regarding Drinking Water Facility Assessment Initiative.

FILED

Alberta Solicitor
General Security

A letter from Alberta Solicitor General Security & Information Management (SIM) Unit regarding Security in Alberta.

FILED

AUMA

Important Notice from Alberta Urban Municipalities Association regarding Changes to the Alberta Capital Finance (ACFA) Board.

FILED

Alberta Seniors
Advisory Council

A letter from Alberta Seniors Advisory Council regarding Seniors Week 2004.

FILED

Res. #2004-33

Councillor Rowe moved that Mayor Fegan proclaim the week of June 6 - 12, 2004 as "Senior's Week" in the Village of Beiseker.
CARRIED UNAN.

Alberta Municipal
Affairs

A letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding Milenet Master Agreement. FILED

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- Res. #2004-34 Deputy Mayor Courtman moved that the Village of Beiseker enter into the *milenet* Master Agreement with the Minister for Alberta Municipal Affairs and that the Mayor and CAO are authorized to execute the *milenet* Master Agreement. CARRIED UNAN.
- Town of Crossfield A letter from the Town of Crossfield regarding February 20, 2004 Mock Disaster Exercise. FILED
- Alberta Municipal Affairs A letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding announcement of the Municipal Energy efficiency Assistance Program in September 2003. FILED
- Royal Bank A letter from RBC Royal Bank regarding closure of the Beiseker Grocery Store. FILED
- Faye Engler An e-mail from Faye Engler regarding an invitation to the Cosway Adjacent Landowners & AALPAL meeting. FILED
- AUMA A March 19, 2004 Media Release from Alberta Urban Municipalities Association regarding Alberta Supernet. FILED
- AUMA Alberta Urban Municipalities Association February 2004 Notes to Council ...Highlights from the Board. FILED

IN CAMERA ITEMS

In Camera Councillor Hnybida moved that Council go *in camera* @ 10:23 p.m. to discuss the following *in camera* items:

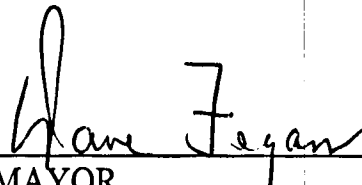
1. Skyland Industrial Park;
2. Compak Filter;
3. Beiseker Airport; and
4. Memorial Hall Lot.

CARRIED UNAN.

Reconvene Councillor Rowe moved that Council reconvene from *in camera* @ 11:01 p.m. CARRIED UNAN.

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Hnybida moved that the meeting adjourn at 11:02 p.m. CARRIED UNAN.


MAYOR


MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR