

**Town of Mundare
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2017**

Present Mayor C. Gargus Councillors, I. Talaga, F. Rosypal J. Kowal. J. Burghardt

Staff CAO Colin Zyla, Tim Eastwood, Theresa Warawa, Lisa Euchuk

Call to Order Mayor Gargus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda

17/52 Talaga that the agenda be adopted as presented with the following additions:

7(i) Development 5123 – 50 Street

Carried

Delegation

(a) Tim Eastwood – Public Works Foreman

Tim Eastwood presented his report.

-Councillor Kowal inquired if Mundare Esso has hand dryers and if they were invoiced for the sewer blockage.

-the CAO will be sending a letter stating that the Town will be invoicing Mundare Esso for future sewer blockages.

-Mayor Gargus commented that there are various trees in Town that have orange tape on them indicating that ATCO Electric will be removing them.

-The trees at the Quentin Warawa Memorial Park have black knot fungus

-Councillor Talaga inquired if Public Works is doing any drainage pumping by the Greenhouse.

17/53 Rosypal that the Public Works report be accepted as presented.

Carried

(b) Sargeant Nutbrown – RCMP

Corporal Drinkwater was present to provide some statistics on crime in the Vegreville-Mundare area.

-crime rates are down

-fraud calls are on the increase

- impaired driving charges are up
- the RCMP are still going to continue working the Towns priorities for policing
- Councillor Kowal inquired about the auxiliary program
- Mayor Gargus commented that increased policing may be having a positive impact

Minutes

(a) Regular Meeting of Council – March 7, 2017

17/54

Talaga that the minutes of the regular council meeting of March 7, 2017 be accepted as presented.

Carried

(b) Regular Meeting of Council – March 21, 2017

17/55

Burghardt that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 21, 2017 be accepted as amended.

Carried

Finance

(a) Monthly Summary – February 2017

17/56

Kowal that the Monthly Summary for February 2017 be accepted as information.

Carried

(b) Loan Repayment

There is currently \$397,780 in reserves

The CAO wishes to make a payment on the loans for the wheel loader and snowblower.

- payment of up to 20% of the original amount can be paid with no penalty
- expected savings of \$11,500 in interest and pay off loan two years sooner

17/57

Rosypal that the Town pay up to 20% of the snowloader and wheel loader loan.

Carried

Business

(a) Canada Day

Lisa Euchuk provided an update on Canada Day

A meeting was held with all organizations allowing them to provide input on Canada Day festivities.

- there will be 2 street performers, and ethnic dancers
- the band is booked

- the Agricultural Society will be hosting beer gardens
- Volunteers are needed

(b)Quentin Warawa Memorial Park Sidewalk

Examples of colors of the paving stones was presented.

17/58 Kowal that the cost of the memorial bricks be as follows:

- 4” X 8” \$ 100
- 8” X 8 “ 300
- 8” X 8” corporate logo \$ 500

Carried

(c)LCREDI

Town of Bruderheim was in contact with the provincial government about the use of remaining funds and we are hoping they approve the use to create Inter-Municipal Development Plans. The county has requested that the LCREDI agreement be terminated.

17/59 Rosypal that now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Mundare does hereby consent to the termination of the LCREDI agreement to be effective on the date of approval of this resolution by all six municipalities

Carried

(d) Policy 12.9 Substance Abuse Policy

17/60 Burghardt that Policy 12.9 Substance Abuse Policy be adopted as presented.

Carried

(e) Regional Recreation & Culture Master Plan – Intermunicipal Grant

The intermunicipal collaboration grant for a regional Recreation and Master Plan was approved. Vegreville has requested that two councillors and the CAO be appointed to the steering committee.

17/61 Talaga that Councillors Burghardt and Kowal, and the CAO be appointed to the Regional Recreation and Culture Master Plan Steering Committee.

Carried

(f) Water and Wastewater Utility Study – Intermunicipal Grant

The Intermunicipal cooperation grant for a water and wastewater utility study was approved.

Lamont County will be arranging a meeting to discuss this.

(g) Tax Exemption – Councillor Salary

As part of the 2017 budget, the federal government announced the elimination of the 1/3 tax exemption for Councillor’s salaries. This change comes into effect for 2019.

17/62 Talaga that the Town send a letter of concern to our MP, the Federal Minister of Finance and the official opposition regarding the elimination of the 1/3 tax exemption.

Carried

(h) CAO Evaluation

Council will decide on a date for the CAO evaluation.

(i) Development at 5123 – 50 Street

A drawing was presented of a proposed building for 5123 – 50 Street.

17/63 Burghardt that the Development permit for 5123 – 50 Street be obtained by April 30, 2017 and construction is to commence within three months.

Carried

Correspondence

(a) Service Alberta -Information regarding supernet

17/64 Kowal that the correspondence be accepted as presented.

Carried

A recess from 8:25 to 8:30 p.m.

Staff and Council Reports

Charles Gargus

- judging speeches at Mundare School
- attended Annual General Meeting at Mundare Recreation Centre
- attended CALC board meeting
- hosted a Ukrainian Music Workshop in Mundare
- doing some maintenance at the National Hall in preparation for Firemens gala

Frank Rosypal

- attended Mundare School SAC meeting
- sent regrets that will not be able to attend Mundare Fire & Rescue 100th

Anniversary

Irene Talaga

- attended FCSS annual general meeting
- attended Community Futures meeting
- attended Alberta Seniors Housing Convention
 - stated that Carbon levy exempt for Seniors Lodges
 - working alone resolution will be brought forward

Jaime Burghardt

- attended Mundare Curling Club Annual General Meeting

Jason Kowal

- attended Mary Immaculate Hospital Board Meeting
- attended Covenant Health Community Board Meeting
- attended the Canada Day planning meeting
- working on a Business investment on-line course

Colin Zyla

- attended Canada Day planning meeting

Adjournment

Mayor Gargus adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer