# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10, 2016 7:00PM STANDARD VILLAGE OFFICE

# AMENDED

#### **AGENDA**

- CALL TO ORDER
- 1.1 AGENDA ADDITIONS approval
- 1.2 GUESTS:

7:15PM Richard Bryan Re: Culvert Extension & Sewer Line 7:45PM Steve Churchill Re: Lowering Sidewalk

- 2. PUBLIC WORKS/INFRASTRUCTURE:
  - A) Grading Alleyways
  - B) Yard Light at Waste Transfer Station
  - C) CRISP Funding from the County
  - D) Weed Spraying Fragram
  - G) Regional Water
  - X) Public Works Concerns
  - Y) Councilor's Concerns
- MINUTES:
  - A) July 13, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- 4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS approval
- 5. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS approval
- 6. OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCE approval
- CORRESPONDENCE
- 8. REPORTS:
  - A) WADEMSA A. Sommerfeldt
  - B) DDSWMA A. Larsen
  - C) Wheatland Lodge A. Larsen
  - D) WFCSS J. Pedersen
  - E) CFWREDC J. Pedersen

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 10, 2016 Continued

- 9. OLD BUSINESS:
  - A) Peter Pan's Skid Shack
  - B)
  - C)
- 10. BUSINESS FROM LAST MEETING:
  - A) Dog Bylaw 4-2016 and Service Agreement
  - B)
- 11. NEW BUSINESS
  - A) Ag Society Request
  - B) Grant Writer (A.Larsen)
  - C) Resident Complaint Letter
- 12. OTHER BUSINESS
  - A) Write-off Three Utility Accounts
  - B) Memory Land Update
  - C)
- 13. ADJOURN

# VILLAGE OF STANDARD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10, 2016

**PRESENT** 

Mayor Alan Larsen, Deputy Mayor Joe Pedersen, Councilors

Martin Gauthier, Brandon Duffala and Adam Sommerfeldt

Leah Jensen – C.A.O.

Yvette April-Administrative Assistant

Malcolm McKinnon - Public Works Supervisor

**GUESTS** 

Richard Bryan, Steve Churchill, and Kim McCullough

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor A. Larsen called the regular meeting to order at 6:58PM.

# **AGENDA ADDITIONS**

01-08-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that the agenda additions be approved as amended. CARRIED

## **GUEST: Steve Churchill & Kim**

S.Churchill explained to Council that the sidewalk in front of the driveway at 215 Yorick Ave is too high for them to drive their cars onto the driveway and into their garage and he would like to lower the sidewalk. M. McKinnon explained that in order to lower the sidewalk in front of the driveway, the sidewalk on either end would also have to be lowered for quite a distance in order to meet requirements to make the sidewalk handicap accessible. M.McKinnon suggested that a laser level should be used to take some elevation measurements to see exactly how much elevation change needs to take place. A.Larsen asked if the sidewalk on that street could be lifted and moved or if it was one continuous pour. M.McKinnon confirmed that it was one continuous pour so any changes would require a new pour of sidewalk. A.Larsen requested that public works assist with using a laser level to take some elevation measurements and admin staff to look into the village bylaws to see if there is anything that deals with changing sidewalks in the village.

#### **GUEST: Richard Bryan**

R.Bryan owns 702 and 704 The Broadway. Currently there is no access to the empty lot (north of the house). R. Bryan would like to extent the existing culvert and put in a driveway and make a parking pad for his RV trailer. He is also installing a chain link fence around his property to separate his property from the Standard Hotel. B.Duffala asked if the Village is obligated to supply access to properties in town. M.McKinnon explained that no the Village is not obligated to do so and that adding or making changes to a driveway is at the home owners expense.

Moved by M.Gauthier that Village Council allow the property owner of 704 The Broadway to install a culvert and approach to access the property.

CARRIED

02-08-10-16

R.Bryan explained that on August 3<sup>rd</sup> his basement flooded. He had a plumber do an inspection and it appeared that the main sewer line had dropped on the north side of the main. The plumber suggested that a culvert be installed to run the water flowing from The Broadway under Christian Ave onto the grass area on the south side of Christian and to fix the separated sewer line from the main. R.Bryan also reported that the ditch along Christian Ave doesn't drain west very well and appears to pool and sit stagnant. M. McKinnon explained that the sewer line can

be repaired but at the home owners expense as they are responsible from the house to the main line. M.McKinnon offered to have a contractor give a quote on the job to fix the sewer line. He also explained that the flooding in the ditch can be fixed by regrading the ditch from 704 The Broadway, around the corner, and that should get the water flowing better west.

S.Churchill, K.McCullough, and R.Bryan left the meeting at 7:49PM

#### **PUBLIC WORKS/INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT**

#### A) Grading Alleyways

M.McKinnon received a quote from Little Track Contracting to grade all the alleys within the village. The quote came in at approximately \$4,000. Little Track has a 10' blade which will fit well within the alleys. The quote includes grading the alleys and sports grounds. The contractor doesn't think too much additional gravel will need to be added.

03-08-10-16

Moved by M.Gauthier that Council approve the expense of grading the alleys within the Village.

**CARRIED** 

#### B) Yard Light at Waste Transfer Station

Wheatland County sent a copy of the quote from Fortis to install a yard light at the waste transfer site just west of Standard. They hope to have the install completed by October.

04-08-10-16

Moved by A.Sommerfeldt that Council accept the quote for the installation of a yard light at the waste transfer station, and the Village will pay their 20% portion there-of.

**CARRIED** 

#### C) CRISP Funding from the County

A copy of the funding agreement between the County of the other communities within Wheatland County was presented as information. The program is called County Regional Infrastructure Services Program (CRISP); 0.25mill of the Non Residential Property tax from the County is being given to the urban municipalities and hamlet service groups that provide infrastructure related services to Wheatland County residents. The funds are to be released as soon as the agreement is signed and returned to the County.

#### D) Weed Spraying

A.Larsen asked for permission to purchase two backpack sprayers and chemical for residents to use. He would premix the chemical and residents could sign out the backpacks and spray their own yards for weeds, or they could spray neighbor's yards but only with the neighbor's permission.

05-08-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that the Village purchase two backpack sprayers and chemical up to amount no more than \$500.

CARRIED

#### E) Regional Water

The last governance meeting took place Tuesday July 19/16

- Have to apply to the County for development and building permits, but the area is zoned Agricultural, so they have to discuss with the County if the land needs to be rezoned.
- Municipal Affairs is still reviewing the Corporation Documentation

- August 4th the tender for the reservoir was supposed to close
- August 9th the tenders for the pipeline are supposed to go out. They are stipulating that the raw water pipeline construction would need to be done outside of when the farmers are farming, so before March 29th. The project is still considered to be running on time to be delivering water to Gleichen by September 2017.
- 95% of the design work for the facilities at the reservoir is complete. Will be prequalifying contractors soon.
- Looking at sharing the cost of a pump in Gleichen. Corp. needs the pump to flush the pipeline and the County needs the pump for fire suppression. AB Env. has to be consulted first.
- Next meeting Tuesday August 23.

06-08-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that Council gives permission to the CAO to sign the Code of Practice for the Wheatland Regional Water Project.

CARRIED

Council discussed the current springs licence and how the amount allocated on the Village's Bow River licence is barely adequate for the amount of water required for the Village today. A possible option would be to apply to Alberta Environment and transfer the springs licence to the Bow River licence. The only way to find out if this is feasible is to make application.

07-08-10-16

Moved by M.Gauthier that the Village of Standard make application to transfer the springs licence allocation to the Bow River licence.

CARRIED

There was an advertisement in the newspaper as part of the requirement to change the diversion point along the WID canal where water is taken for the reservoir. Perry Ellis wrote in to Alberta Environment his concerns regarding the springs. When a concern is sent to Alberta Environment it must be dealt with. Council requested that a letter be sent to Mr. Ellis inviting him to a meeting with Council to discuss his concerns with the springs. Council stressed that they want to keep clear lines of communication with Mr. Ellis.

Operations and Maintenance Agreement/Lease Agreement was discussed among council. The question that divides council is it more beneficial to sign an operations agreement with the Wheatland Regional Corporation or a lease agreement, or would it be better to transfer all assets over to the Corporation and stop running the plant and begin having the Corporation charge Standard for water. Council requested that staff contact MPE for a copy of a lease agreement that another regional water system used, to see how another system handled the situation.

#### F) Councilors Concerns

B.Duffala asked about the cars parked on the south side of Christian Ave across from the mobile home on the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, as some are unlicenced. Staff said they would send a letter to the suspected owner and give a deadline and if they are not moved then the RCMP will be contacted.

B.Duffala asked about the status of the D.Matthews development application. L.Jensen reported that Mr. Matthews has appealed the council decision, and the Appeal Board will set a date for the hearing.

A.Larsen requested that on a rainy day if public works is unable to utilize the summer student hired, then he could work for the Ag

Society to help paint the arena. The rest of council was in

agreement to this suggestion.

M.McKinnon left the meeting at 9:40PM

**MINUTES** 

08-08-10-16

Moved by M.Gauthier that the minutes of the July 13, 2016 regular

meeting be approved as amended.

**CARRIED** 

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT** 

09-08-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that the August 2016 Financial Statement

be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

10-08-10-16

Moved by A.Sommerfeldt that the followings accounts be paid:

July 2016 Batch 2

Cheque # 8385 to Cheque # 8403 for \$86,543.72

Direct Debit \$179.39

TOTAL \$86,723.11

August 2016 Batch 1

Cheque # 8404 to Cheque # 8421 for \$ 9,094.61 Direct Debit \$48,517.86 TOTAL \$57,612.47

Total Account Payable

\$144,335.58 CARRIED

**OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCES** 

11-08-10-16

Moved by B.Duffala that the Operating and Capital Budget Variances to July 31, 2016 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

**CORRESPONDANCE** 

**REPORTS** 

**WADEMSA** 

A. Sommerfeldt reported as follows:

- No meeting

- Next meeting to be announced

**DDSWMA** 

A.Larsen reported as follows:

- No meeting

- Next meeting August 18<sup>th</sup>

WHTLD. LODGE

A. Larsen reported as follows:

- No meeting

- Next meeting September 8th

**WFCSS** 

J.Pedersen reported as follows:

- No meeting

- Next meeting September 28th

**CFWREDC** 

J.Pedersen reported as follows:

No meeting

Next meeting September 1<sup>st</sup>

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### A) Peter Pan's Skid Shack

L.Jensen presented a draft copy of a letter to be sent to Mr. Pan concerning the skid shack that was moved off his property and is now in the Village's procession. The letter was presented as information.

#### **BUSINESS FROM LAST MEETING**

A) Dog Bylaw 4-2016

12-08-10-16 Moved

Moved by M.Gauthier second reading of Dog Bylaw 4-2016 as

amended.

**CARRIED** 

13-08-10-16

Moved by A.Sommerfeldt third and final reading of Dog Bylaw 4-

2016.

**CARRIED** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### A) Ag Society Request

The Ag Society is applying for a grant to replace the lights in the arena to LED lights which will save them a considerable amount of money a year in lighting expenses. The grant is a matching grant and they must provide proof that they either have the money needed to do the project or that the Village will provide them interim financing.

14-08-10-16

Moved by A.Sommerfeldt that Council agrees to provide interim financing for the replacing of the light system in the arena, so long as the Ag Society is approved for the grant funding.

CARRIED

# B) Grant Writer

A.Larsen was approached by Chelsey Tellier who offered her services to write up grant applications on behalf of volunteer groups in the community. Presented as information.

#### C) Resident Complaint Letter

Council reviewed the letter and request to opt out of garbage collection and having to pay garbage fees in the utility billing. Council requested that staff respond to the letter and inform the resident that everyone must pay the garbage fee regardless if they utilize the service or not.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### A) Write Off Four Utility Accounts

15-08-10-16

Moved by M.Gauthier that the Village write off the four uncollectable utility accounts.

**CARRIED** 

#### B) Memory Lane Update

A.Larsen presented the latest plant for the 1<sup>st</sup> block and a half of Memory Lane. A sketch was shown to council.

**ADJOURN** 

16-08-10-16

Moved by B.Duffala that the meeting adjourn at 10:27PM CARRIED

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