

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE STAVELY TOWN COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, MARCH 13TH 2017 AT THE STAVELY TOWN OFFICE.

PRESENT: Mayor Hall, Clrs. Perusse, Norby, Johnson, Gillespie, Binmore and Gugala. CAO - Clayton Gillespie and Foreman Watson.

NOT PRESENT:



Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Agenda CAO Gillespie noted the addition of correspondence relating to Bill C-37. After the addition Clr. Johnson moved to approve the agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Confirmation Of Minutes Clr. Norby moved the minutes of the regular meeting of February 27, 2017 be approved as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

Insurance CAO Gillespie provided council with an update on the insurance switch possibility that included quotes for the community groups and requested direction on next steps. Discussion followed – how the quotes for community groups compared to their current insurance costs, the Town's current insurance costs in comparison to the quote from the new provider and some of the benefits that could be achieved by switching providers. CAO Gillespie noted that the quote for the Town was received last fall so an updated quote should be requested before making a final decision as this may still be a viable option. **TABLED.**


 **Recycling** CAO Gillespie presented council with a comparison of options going forward for recycling based on recent talks with the Town of Claresholm and requested a decision. Discussion ensued – rate to take recyclables to Claresholm, option of taking cardboard only to Claresholm and other recyclables back to Lethbridge, amount of recyclables by weight, plastics, and bin trailer needs. After further discussion Clr. Johnson moved the Town proceed with a further three month trial period of taking cardboard only to Claresholm at the new rate and other recyclables to Lethbridge. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Assessments CAO Gillespie presented council with the new assessments for the 2017 tax year as prepared by the Town's assessor. CAO Gillespie noted that the

residential taxable assessment is up 2.6% while the non-residential taxable assessment is down 1.1%. CAO Gillespie stated that based on the first draft of the budget this will mean a slight increase to the mill rate from the previous year. Short discussion followed with no concerns. **ACCEPTED AS INFORMATION.**

BYLAWS



Bylaw No. 796 Discussion – CAO Gillespie clarified that ATB also requires a separate bylaw for the loan in addition to the borrowing bylaw that the Town passed at the previous meeting to help finance the purchase of the land.

Clr. Norby moved that Bylaw No. 796, being a bylaw to incur indebtedness by the issuance of borrowing for the purpose of purchasing 25.70 acres of agricultural land be passed. **MOTION CARRIED.**

REPORTS

Clr. Perusse Reported on the recent OWC meeting he attended – creek closures and Pine Coulee and then advised there was a large crack along 55th avenue close to his residence.

Clr. Norby Reported on the recent Ag Society meeting – rink has been busy and rodeo season will be starting soon. Asked about the activity located next to his industrial lot, CAO will investigate.


 **Clr. Johnson** Reported on the recent ORRSC meeting – presentation regarding developers and small communities.

Foreman Reported on the branch pile at the lagoon.

Clr. Gillespie Nothing to report, asked about a streetlight on 52nd street – CAO will investigate.

Clr. Binmore Reported on the Golden Age Centre meeting – a new furnace was installed. Lodge meeting – requirement for a sprinkler system. PAC meeting – some new resolutions were put forth. OWC event in Stavely – new program to help educate the public on the importance of the watershed.

Clr. Gugala Nothing to report.

CAO Reported on the Town's subdivision application, update on proposed industrial development, audit progress, STEP funding application, Fortis Street light offer, upcoming provincial budget and lot price reduction in the Saddle Ranch subdivision.

Mayor Hall Reported on the recent Alberta SW meeting – presentation regarding geothermal technology.

CORRESPONDENCE

OWC Information for council on the new water charter the Oldman Watershed Council has spearheaded.

Alberta SW An update from Alberta SW on the recent happenings and some of the upcoming events.

Economy Grant Information for council on the new Community and Regional Economic Support program available for economic growth initiatives.

Bill C-37 Information for council from MP John Barlow regarding Bill C-37 and a request for council to support his concerns. Clr. Binmore moved to send a letter as per John's request outlining concerns about Bill C-37. **MOTION CARRIED.**

FINANCIAL


Feb. Bank Rec. The February 2017 bank reconciliation presented to council for consideration. Clr. Gugala moved to accept the bank reconciliation as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

A/P Clr. Norby moved the accounts from chq # 15864 to 15883 together with internet payments and payroll chq # 15866 to 15870 for a total of \$30,149.83 be paid as listed. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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Adjournment There being no further business to discuss at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

TOWN OF STAVELY



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer