

COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, July 17, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Attendance MAYOR: CHRIS HALL
DEPUTY MAYOR: LORRAINE MACARTHUR
COUNCILLOR: M'LISS EDWARDS
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: ANNETTE PLACHNER

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

C24-092 **Motion** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to add to the agenda 9.5 - Email Howard Helton.

C24-093 **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to adopt the agenda as amended. Carried.

3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Public Works Report – no report

4. REGISTERED PRESENTATIONS

4.1 None

5 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.1 Regular meeting – June 17, 2024

C24-094 **Motion:** Deputy MacArthur motioned to adopt the regular meeting minutes of June 17, 2024 as presented. Carried.

6 FINANCIAL REPORT

6.1 June 30, 2024

C24-095 **Motion:** Mayor Hall motioned to adopt the monthly financial report as presented. Carried

7 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

7.1 CAO reported to Council, that Olympic Trail Gas Station taxes are effecting the Village's Tax base to show arrears that are not an actual figure for the Village.

C24-096 **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that CAO forward a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting to have Gas Plus – Olympic Trail Gas Station removed from the Village's tax base. CARRIED.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- 8.1 Paving- Spectre Systems
- 8.2 Bylaw Officer
- 8.3 Village Survey RPR completed
- 8.4 Job Posting

C24-097

8.1 Paving – Spectre Systems

Motion: Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that the Village hire Spectre Systems To do the asphalt paving repairs for the Village in 2024. Carried Unanimously.

8.2 – Bylaw Officer

CAO reported to Council, that Drumheller Bylaw Enforcement Officer Greg Peters has been contacted to patrol the Village of Morrin. Officer Peters related that Drumheller could not spare any Officers for the Village, however he is looking into a proposal to form a possible regional enforcement service body to patrol all three Villages and share the costs. To date, Munson is agreeable and nothing from Delia at this time.

8.3 – Village Survey/RPR report

CAO reported to Council, that Hunters Survey have completed the Village’s Survey as requested and have forwarded the Village a Real Property Report. The Village’s property lines are marked on the sidewalk.

8.4 – Job posting – Public works

CAO reported to Council that the ad for the Public Works position has been posted with M & H Enterprises.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- 9.1 Village Trailer Dump Station - water
- 9.2 Dog Park request
- 9.3 Atco Fire calls – Starland County
- 9.4 Shunda – dirt pile Railway Ave.
- 9.5 Email – Howard Helton

9.1 Village Trailer Dump Station - water

CAO related to Council that Campers are coming to the Village from the Starland River Campground to fill their motorhomes, RV trailers with water for free. The Village taxpayers pay for the Regional water that they are taking. Using the trailer Sewage hose for domestic water use is also very unsanitary. MPE Engineering Contacted to install a coin operated meter at the site. It was suggested by the Engineer to just put up signage saying that the water is not for domestic use.

- C24-098** **Motion:** Mayor Hall motioned to contact Image Crafters and have a sign made for The trailer dump station. Carried.

9.2 Dog Park request.

A request was made one year ago from Teresa Scott to utilize the old Tennis Court for a dog park. At the time of the request, she was instructed to obtain the proper insurance needed for liability purposes etc. the Village did not receive any communication from her for over a year. Recently correspondence was received from Ms. Scott again requesting to utilize the court for a dog park. The Village have previously decided to use the tennis court for Village heavy equipment storage.

- C24-099** **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that the Village use the tennis Court for storage as previously decided as there was no further correspondence From Ms. Scott for a year after her initial proposal for a year. Carried.

9.3 Atco Fire Calls – Starland County

Correspondence was received from CAO Robblee of Starland County informing The Village that Atco Electric have indicated that they would not cover any pole Fire calls unless they deemed the incident to be their responsibility. Therefore, Starland County will no longer reimburse the Villages for Atco related fires. The Village will have to bill Atco directly in an attempt to recover the funds for any fire calls related to Atco Electric.

9.4 Shunda – dirt pile Railway Ave.

Council discussed the dirt pile on Railway Ave. left by Shunda from the construction Of the new school. Prairie Land School Division have been contacted to remove the dirt. CAO was informed that it is still being used at the school site

9.5 Email – Howard Helton

- C24-099** **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that this item be moved to closed session for discussion. Carried.

10 COUNCIL REPORTS

Deputy Mayor MacArthur reported on Community Futures

- The Annual General meeting agenda was adopted
- Presentation – Martina Tran Chat GPT (text)
- Presentation – Stephen Johnson, CA – Vista Accounting Professional Corp.
- Big Country audited financial statements were adopted
- Election of new board members for a 2 year term

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- Bank signing authorities were changed.

Drumheller & District Senior Foundation

Councillor Edwards reported on the Drumheller & District Senior Foundation.

- Sunshine kitchen renovation plan
- Audit RFPs presented, selection of new financial auditor
- Financial reports were presented
- Several policies were approved

11 COUNCIL INQUIRIES OR COMMENTS

None

12 CORRESPONDENCE TO MAYOR AND/OR COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

None

13. CLOSED SESSION - Howard Helton C Can/Facebook, Stop work Order

C24-100 Motion: Mayor Hall motioned to proceed into Closed Session at 7:46 pm Carried.

C24-101 Motion: Mayor Hall motioned to return to regular meeting at 8:15 pm. Carried.

14. NEXT MEETING DATE – SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

15 ADJOURNMENT

C24- 102 Motion: Mayor Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 P.M. Carried.

MAYOR

CAO