

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF CHIPMAN
March 15, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Palmer called the regular monthly meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

In attendance were Mayor Palmer, Councillors Stead and Stribling, Administrator Pat Tomkow and Administrative Assistant Keiron Rocque. Also in attendance 4 members of the public

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M#024-2010 Stead: that the agenda be adopted as printed and distributed.

Carried Unanimously

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M#25-2010 Stead: that the Minutes of regular meeting held February 08, 2010 be accepted as printed and circulated.

Carried Unanimously

M#26-2010 Stead: that the Minutes of Special meeting held February 24, 2010 be accepted as printed and circulated.

Carried Unanimously

DELEGATIONS:

Chipman Fire Department Chief Steve Rasmussen and Captain Corey Snyder.

Chief Steve Rasmussen gave an update as to the Fire Department's Progress in recruitment and training and the updating of fire equipment. Captain Corey Snyder discussed the Fire Department's June 5, 2010 fundraiser event- a Bike Rally and Demotion Derby. Council agreed that the event could be staged in the area just west of the curling rink. Council agreed to the event on the condition that the event was adequately insured and the streets remain clean for the Car Crafters 10th Annual Show in Shine to be held the following day.

Chief Steve Rasmussen and Captain Corey Snyder left the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES:

a) Chipman Road Program

Council reviewed a proposal from Genivar following the February 18, 2010 meeting and the Village response letter. Council indicated that the \$20 000.00 engineering fee holdback is inadequate considering the fact that if Genivar had upheld its responsibilities the project would have finished on time and on budget. Although Genivar stated engineering work related to the remediation of project deficiencies would be at no cost, there was no mention of who would be liable for the deficiencies and additional repairs.

M#27-2010 Stead: that the Village response letter be forwarded to Genivar.

Carried Unanimously

c) Sale Agreement – Subdivision and Consolidation of Cottage Development Lots

Council reviewed the amended Land Transfer Agreement tying all companies associated with Triland and Chipman Development Corporation together. Council also discussed the fact they still had not received the specifications on the lift station for 12 hour storage. Council discussed limiting the size of the development to the capacity of the lift station. Council ratified signing of the Land Transfer Agreement

M#28-2010 Stead: that Council accept the above items for information.

Carried Unanimously

M#29-2010 Stead: that council ratify the signing of the Land Transfer Agreement made between The Village of Chipman and Chipman Development Corporation for the Bareland Condominium Development.

Carried Unanimously

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The Statement of Operating Revenues/Expenditures for the month ending February 28, 2010 was presented to Council for approval.

M#30-2009 Stribling: that the financial report for the period ending February 28th, 2010 be received for information.

Carried Unanimously

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

M#31-2010 Stead: that the accounts covered by cheque numbers 20100040 to 20100079 inclusive, for the total sum of \$34 398.63 be and are hereby approved for payment.

Carried Unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE for Information:

a) Alberta Transportation

February 17, 2010 letter advising Council that the 2010 Streets Improvement Program grant in the amount of \$17 799 will be provided based on \$60 per capita and a population of 294.

b) Alberta Municipal Affairs,

February 11, 2010 letter informing council of the 2010 MSI allocation of \$197 098, which includes capital project funding of \$141 040 and conditional operating funding of \$56 058.

c) Government of Alberta

February 23, 2010 letter informing council of the 2010 STEP program allocation of \$2 200.

d) Alberta Environment

March 3, 2010 letter confirming that the Village of Chipman met the submission date of the water/wastewater system annual reports.

e) Alberta Municipal Affairs

February 25, 2010 letter informing council of the appointment of Ken Lesniak as the new chair of the Municipal Government Board effective March 1, 2010.

M#32-2010 Stead: that the foregoing correspondence items are accepted for information purposes.

Carried Unanimously

OTHER BUSINESS:

a) Amending Agreement

M#33-2010 Stead: that the Amending Agreement from the Federal Gas Tax Fund, previously identified as New Deal for Cities and Communities be approved for signing. Under the new agreement the Village of Chipman will receive 50,000 from 2010-2014 provided the Multi-Year Capital Infrastructure Plan and the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan requirements are met.

Carried Unanimously

b) Adoption Integrated Community Sustainability Plan

M#033-2010 Stribling: that the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan be accepted by council.

Carried Unanimously

c) Joint Purchase of Street Sweeper – Town of Lamont

M#034-2010 Palmer: that a street sweeper be purchased on a 50/50 cost share basis with the Town of Lamont- Chipman's share being \$60,000 and that maintenance be split on hours used.

Carried Unanimously

d) Renewal of Assessment Services Contract

M#035-2010 Stead: that the contract with Municipal Assessment Services be renewed for a 3 year term.

Carried Unanimously

e) Alberta Environment

M#036-2010 Palmer: that quotes be collected for the commencement of the 2005 outstanding project approved by Alberta environment for Lagoon Erosion program Grant.

Carried Unanimously

f) LCREDI

M#037-2010 Palmer: that Councilor Stead be appointed as Chipman's representative for the board of director of LCREDI

Carried Unanimously

g) Utility Right of Way Agreement Fortis

M#038-2010 Palmer: that council Ratifies signing of the Utility Right of Way Agreement with Fortis for Coyote Commons.

Carried Unanimously

h) ATCO Gas – 2010 Community Symposium

Council decided not to attend neither the May 11th symposium in Claresholm or the May 13rd symposium in Stettler.

REPORTS:

a) Administrator

A verbal report made reference to the following:

- Alberta Municipal Affairs mandated by Minister to develop a long-term strategy for municipal sustainability. Working Group includes AAMD&C, AUMA, and Municipal Affairs. Two fundamental questions - what are core services municipality has to provide and what constitutes a viable/sustainable municipality and how can these be measured.
- Disaster Forum Banff Alberta May 10-13th cost \$1075
- AAMD&C alterations to trade invoicing process effective May 1, 2010.
- RCMP notice of Integrated Traffic Services RCMP and Traffic Sheriffs.
- requirements under Local Authorities Election Act for special ballot voting. Mayor Palmer indicated this will be put on agenda for Special Meeting.
- 2010 School requisition increased by \$2,799 up from \$31,212 in 2009 to \$34,413
- Alberta Environment inspection of water facilities

M#39-2010 Stead: that the administrator's report be accepted for information.

Carried Unanimously

b) **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

i) Fire Department

Covered during delegation.

ii) Regional Solid Waste Commission

Councillor Stribling reported 20% increase in the landfill requisition. County usage is 60% of the facility.

iii) Lamont County Housing Foundation

Noted lobby efforts for additional building.

iv) C.R. Vegreville Corridor Water Services Commission

Mayor Palmer reported that Lamont County will be constructing a reservoir and that the Vermilion Water Group will be coming on as a customer of the Commission.

v) Chipman Agricultural Society

Ag Society Council Representative John Stribling updated Council on plans for Fair Days. This will be a two day event June 12th and 13th.

vi) FCSS (Family and Community Support Services)

Councillor Stribling noted that FCSS is well run and that there is a possibility that the Town of Lamont will join.

vii) Chipman Centennial Committee

No Items.

M#40-2010 Stribling: that the Committee and Board Reports be accepted for information purposes.

Carried Unanimously

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Mayor, Jim Palmer

Administrator, Pat Tomkow