



**TOWN OF CLARESHOLM
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 14, 2009**

PRESENT: Mayor Rob Steel; Councillors: Shirley Isaacson, Don Leonard, Doug MacPherson, David Moore, Connie Quayle and Daryl Sutter; Chief Administrative Officer: Kris Holbeck; Secretary-Treasurer: Karine Wilhauk

ABSENT: None

AGENDA: Moved by Councillor Isaacson that the Agenda be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

MINUTES: **REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 23, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Moore that the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 23, 2009 be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

FINANCES: **MARCH 2009 BANK STATEMENT**

Moved by Councillor Quayle to accept the March 2009 bank statement as presented.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING: **BYLAW #1525 – LAND USE BYLAW**

Mayor Rob Steel declared the hearing open at 7:02pm.

Mayor Steel made the first and second calls for representations for or against the bylaw.

Jeff Gibeau, Planner/Development Officer, presented three minor amendments to Bylaw #1525 as follows:

1. Section 60 – Development Permit Appeals: reference to the appeal fee was added.
2. Section 95 – Amendment or Repeal of Bylaw: removed reference to Form I.
3. Schedule 4 – Development Standards, Section 13 – Development in a Front Yard, Subsection (a): amended wording from “...above the surface” to “...above the surface of the ground.”

Mayor Steel made the third call for representations for or against the bylaw.

No representations either verbal or written were noted.

Mayor Rob Steel declared the hearing closed at 7:08pm.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **BYLAW #1525 – Land Use Bylaw**
RE: 2nd & 3rd Readings

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to give Bylaw #1525 as amended, the Land Use Bylaw, 2nd Reading.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Moore to give Bylaw #1525 as amended, the Land Use Bylaw, 3rd and Final Reading.

CARRIED

2. **BYLAW #1526 – Property Taxation Exemption for Community Organizations**
RE: 1st Reading

Moved by Councillor Isaacson to give Bylaw #1526, regarding Property Taxation Exemption for Community Organizations, 1st Reading.

CARRIED

3. **CORRES: Hon. Luke Ouellette, Minister of Transportation**
RE: Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program

Received for information.

4. **CORRES: Alberta Transportation**
RE: AMWWP – Waterplant Upgrade & Regional Waterline

Received for information.

5. **CORRES: Alberta Transportation**
RE: AMWWP – Raw Water Supply Line

Received for information.

6. **CORRES: Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta**
RE: Seniors Week 2009

Moved by Councillor Leonard to proclaim June 1 to 7, 2009 Seniors Week in the Town of Claresholm.

CARRIED

7. **CORRES: TransCanada Pipelines Limited**
RE: Change to Federal Jurisdiction

Received for information.

8. **CORRES: Village of Barons**
RE: 100 Year Celebration in July 2010

Received for information.

9. **CORRES: Allison Sandlin – Texas 400 for Cancer**
RE: Presentation on July 10, 2009

Received for information.

10. **Porcupine Hills Lodge Letter of Support – Councillor Isaacson**

Councillor Leonard declared a conflict of interest at 7:26pm and left the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Isaacson to write a letter of support from the Town of Claresholm to support the Porcupine Hills Seniors Foundation to borrow \$1.2 to 1.5 million for a 20 year term amortization, as well as acknowledging that Council is fully aware of the Town's responsibility to provide financial assistance through the requisitioning process, as set out in the Alberta Housing Act.

CARRIED

Councillor Leonard rejoined the meeting at 7:31pm.

11. CORRES: Ranchland Victims Services
RE: National Victims of Crime Awareness Week

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to allow Ranchland Victims Services to use the downtown parking lot for a fundraising barbecue for one day during the week of April 30, 2009.

CARRIED

12. CORRES: Claesholm & District Chamber of Commerce
RE: Downtown Hanging Flower Basket Program

Referred to administration.

13. CORRES: EMERCOR
RE: Revised Agreement to Purchase Town Property

Moved by Councillor Sutter to accept the extension as presented by EMERCOR in their letter dated March 30, 2009 to September 30, 2009.

CARRIED

14. Mayor's Letter & Response from Minister of Environment – Councillor MacPherson

Received for information.

15. CORRES: Alberta Environment
RE: Proposed Transfer of Water Allocation

Referred to administration.

16. Policy #85 – Fee Listing for Bylaw #1525, Land Use Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Moore to adopt Policy #85, regarding Planning and Development Fees for Bylaw #1525 the Land Use Bylaw, effective April 15, 2009 as presented.

CARRIED

17. Claesholm Public Library – Proposed Budget for 2009

Referred to budget.

18. Claesholm Fire Department – Expenses from 2008

Received for information.

19. Infrastructure Tender 2009

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to award projects three and four of the 2009 Streets Improvement Program to the low bidder, Chinook Pipelines, for \$193,862.00 plus contingency.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Leonard to finance the highway pumping station shortfall, estimated at \$80,000, out of capital reserves.

CARRIED

20. 2009 Operating Budget

Referred to committee.

21. ADOPTION OF INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Sutter to accept the information items as presented.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Councillor Moore that this meeting adjourn.
CARRIED

MAYOR – ROB STEEL

SECRETARY-TREASURER – KARINE WILHAUK