



**TOWN OF CLARESHOLM
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 20, 2009**

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

ABSENT: Secretary-Treasurer: Karine Wilhauk

AGENDA: Moved by Councillor Leonard that the delegation of Bob & Myrna McDonald be In Camera.

DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor MacPherson that the Agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES: **REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 22, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Isaacson that the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2009 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

FINANCES: **JUNE 2009 BANK STATEMENT**

Moved by Councillor Sutter to accept the June 2009 bank statement as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATION: **BOB & MYRNA McDONALD**

RE: Environmental Assessment Information – 5 Tamarack Road

Bob and Myrna McDonald were present to speak to Council regarding their property located at 5 Tamarack Road. They requested their delegation be In Camera, however were informed that Council wishes to always have an open and transparent process. The McDonald's received their tax assessment notice and found the word "contamination" used to refer to their property. Their concerns were voiced publicly at the Annual General Meeting in May, but not with their support. They are concerned about resale value and with their safety. When they dig in their yard, they are finding a layer of foul smelling substance about two feet below ground level. The McDonald's would like closure on the issue. Is there contamination? And if so, what is the Town prepared to do about it? They would like assurances that their property is safe. They feel the Town is responsible for safety of lots, and it's not the responsibility of the purchasers. The necessary tests should be performed by the Town to confirm there are no toxic consequences associated with the property as a result of the proximity to the old landfill site.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **CORRES: Hon. Ray Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs**
RE: Unconditional Municipal Grant

Received for information.

2. **CORRES: Alberta Transportation**
RE: AMIP & NDCC Grants

Received for information.

3. **CORRES: Alberta Transportation**
RE: Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership

Received for information.

4. **CORRES: Town of Pincher Creek**
RE: Pincher Creek Fair & Rodeo – August 15, 2009

Received for information.

5. **CORRES: Claresholm Junior Rodeo Club**
RE: Sponsorship

Moved by Councillor Isaacson to give the Claresholm Junior Rodeo Club a donation in the amount of \$500 for 2009.

CARRIED

6. **CORRES: Claresholm Healthy Community Coalition**
RE: Fundraising BBQ

Received for information.

7. **CORRES: Steel Form Contracting**
RE: Removal of Airport Hangar

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to extend Steel Form Contracting's Agreement for the removal of the airport hangar until August 31, 2009.

CARRIED

**8. CORRES: Claesholm Curling Club
RE: Forgiveness of Property Taxes**

Moved by Councillor Moore to forgive the municipal portion of the Claesholm Curling Club's 2009 property taxes in the amount of \$746.44.

CARRIED

**9. CORRES: Claesholm Golf Course
RE: Forgiveness of Property Taxes**

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to forgive the municipal portion of the Claesholm Golf Course's 2009 property taxes in the amount of \$2,521.65.

CARRIED

**10. CORRES: Mrs. M. Wolfe
RE: Assessment Information**

Moved by Councillor Moore to send the Wolfe's a letter of apology regarding the assessment oversight.

CARRIED

11. ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD UPDATE

Received for information.

12. VANCOUVER TORCH RELAY

Moved by Councillor Isaacson to authorize up to \$1,000 to be spent on promotional items for the Vancouver Torch Relay.

CARRIED

13. COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM INVITATION

Received for information.

14. EXTENSION REQUEST – Harvest Square Subdivision

Moved by Councillor Sutter to approve the one year extension for the Harvest Square Subdivision.

CARRIED

15. EXTENSION REQUEST – Golf Course Subdivision

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to approve the one year extension for the Golf Course Subdivision for A & J Homes.

CARRIED

16. DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BRIEF – Provincial Land Use

Received for information.

17. IDLING BYLAW – Councillor Sutter

Received for information.

18. POLICY #63 – Physician Recruitment Incentive Policy

Moved by Councillor Leonard to rescind Policy #63, the Physician Recruitment Incentive Policy.

CARRIED

19. ADOPTION OF INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Isaacson to accept the information items as presented.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Councillor MacPherson that this meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

MAYOR – ROB STEEL

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER – KRIS HOLBECK