

TOWN OF CLARESHOLM PROVINCE OF ALBERTA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 18, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Rob Steel.

- **PRESENT:**Mayor Rob Steel; Councillors: Shirley Isaacson, Doug MacPherson, David
Moore, Connie Quayle and Daryl Sutter; Chief Administrative Officer: Kris
Holbeck; Secretary-Treasurer: Karine Wilhauk
Councillor Don Leonard
- AGENDA: Moved by Councillor Isaacson that the Agenda be accepted as presented.

MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING – JULY 20, 2010

Moved by Councillor Sutter that the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2010 be accepted as presented. CARRIED

FINANCES: JUNE 2010 BANK STATEMENT

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to accept the June 2010 bank statement as presented. CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING: <u>BYLAW #1546 – Curfew Bylaw</u>

Mayor Rob Steel declared the hearing open at 7:03 pm.

Mayor Rob Steel made the first call for submissions from the public.

Written submission from the Fusion Christian Youth Group was read. Reverend Mitchell was on hand on behalf of this group. They were looking for clarification if an individual over the age of 18 would be considered a temporary guardian for a child when they are out past 11:00pm. Curt Hanselman is a youth leader and stressed that parents give permission for their children to be with the youth leaders. The youth group stated they were not taking a stand for or against the bylaw.

Curt Hanselman read a letter on behalf of Claresholm & District Citizens on Patrol Society. Vandalism, theft and mischief have become real issues in our community, and the vast majority of people they see out late at night, not committing crime but visible, are youth. Many people apparently thought there already was a curfew bylaw in place. Citizens on Patrol is in favour of the bylaw.

One written submission from Tim Bryson was noted against the bylaw.

Mayor Rob Steel made the second and third calls for submissions for or against the bylaw.

Rita Hahn asked what happens to the children who are caught out after hours. It was explained that the bylaw gives the RCMP the opportunity to take them home and a discussion with the guardian would occur.

Mayor Steel stated he feels the bylaw is unconstitutional and discriminatory against youth.

A legal opinion was obtained on this bylaw, and it was said that this bylaw could be overturned in a court of law because this bylaw discriminates against individuals because of age. This goes against the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Kim Alexander asked what age groups are the problem, and what are other communities doing.

Councillor Moore read an email from the Town Manager of Valleyview

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CARRIED

stating that their curfew bylaw has not been used much but has been successful in curbing vandalism.

Carol Turner was wondering if there some thought given to providing programming for children and teens because they don't want to go home.

Mayor Rob Steel declared the hearing closed at 7:45 pm.

DELEGATIONS: 1. <u>CLARESHOLM ANIMAL RESCUE SOCIETY (CAReS)</u> RE: Future Plans

Speaking on behalf of CAReS was Kim Alexander and Rita Hahn. CAReS is asking for the Town to co-sign a loan from ATB Financial for \$150,000 in order to build a new facility. Currently they are having some difficulties with the facility as it is cold in the winter and hot in the summer. The building is 1,100 square feet that cannot be rearranged and is not suited to their needs. They have received confirmation from EMERCOR for donation of the walls and part of the roof, and from trades people for labour. The building would be put on land set aside by the Town beside the Town Shop.

2. <u>GAVIN SCOTT, ORRSC & JEFF GIBEAU, PLANNER</u> RE: Municipal Development Plan

Gavin Scott from the Oldman River Regional Services Commission and Jeff Gibeau, Town Planner, spoke to Council regarding the Municipal Development Plan. The Municipal Development Plan needs to be updated as other planning documents have been implemented since the document was adopted. Changes are being made, and these changes were discussed with Council, along with some suggestions being put forward by Council and Administration.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. <u>BYLAW #1546 – Curfew Bylaw</u> RE: 2nd & 3rd Readings

Referred back to Community Standards Committee.

2. <u>CORRES: Community Foundation of Lethbridge & Southwestern</u> <u>Alberta</u>

RE: Annual Friends of the Foundation Dinner

Moved by Councillor Moore to send Councillors Isaacson, Quayle and Sutter to the Annual Friends of the Foundation Dinner on September 23, 2010.

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3. <u>CORRES: Claresholm Child Care Society</u> RE: Kidz Zone Out-of-School Program

Moved by Councillor Sutter to cover the shortfall for the Kidz Zone after school program in the amount of \$4,000 for the period April to June 2010.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to cover the costs of water, sewer, power and natural gas for the out-of-school care modulars upon commencement of services until June 30, 2011. CARRIED

4. <u>CORRES: Kirk & Amy Schofield</u> RE: Handicapped Permit Parking and Sign

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to allow for the handicapped signage to remain at 658 - 51st Avenue West and to be reviewed by administration on a yearly basis. **CARRIED**

5. <u>CORRES: The Bridges at Claresholm Golf Club</u> RE: Municipal Portion of 2010 Property Taxes

Moved by Councillor Sutter to forgive the municipal portion of the Claresholm Golf Course's 2010 property taxes in the amount of \$2,537.28.

CARRIED

6. <u>CORRES: Claresholm Curling Club</u> RE: Municipal Portion of 2010 Property Taxes

Moved by Councillor MacPherson to forgive the municipal portion of the Claresholm Curling Club's 2010 property taxes in the amount of \$750.06.

CARRIED

7. <u>CORRES: Summer Places Limited</u> RE: Industrial Lot - 28 Saskatchewan Crescent

Moved by Councillor Quayle to deny the request from Summer Places Limited in their letter dated August 3, 2010 regarding 28 Saskatchewan Crescent, Lot 3 Block 5 Plan 0514376. CARRIED

8. <u>CORRES: Claresholm & District Museum Board</u> RE: Official Opening of New Museum Building

Received for information.

9. <u>CORRES: Vaughan Allan</u> RE: Offer to Purchase

Moved by Councillor Moore to deny the Offer to Purchase presented by Vaughan Allan in his letter dated August 3, 2010. **CARRIED**

10. <u>REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT – Year to Date</u>

Received for information.

11. CAO REPORT

Received for information.

12. ADOPTION OF INFORMATION ITEMS

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

CARRIED

19. IN CAMERA – LEGAL / DEVELOPMENT

Moved by Councillor MacPherson that this meeting go In Camera.

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Moved by Councillor Quayle that this meeting come out of In Camera.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Councillor Moore that this meeting adjourn at 10:24pm.

CARRIED

Mayor – Rob Steel

Chief Administrative Officer – Kris Holbeck, CA