

TOWN OF RIMBEY

TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1. Call to Order Mayor Pankiw called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, with the following in attendance:
- Mayor Pankiw
Councillor Godlonton
Councillor Jaycox
Councillor Payson
Councillor Webb
Chief Administrative Officer - Lucien Cloutier, CLGM
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer – Lori Hillis, CA
Recording Secretary – Kathy Blakely
- Absent:
- Public:
Treena Mielke, Rimbey Review
Harold Kenny, President Blindman Handi-Van Society
4 members of the public
2. Public Hearing 2.1 None
3. Adoption of Agenda 3.1. December 8, 2014 Agenda
7.9 Edmonton Journal Article on Rimbey Hospital (addition)
7.10 Pas-Ka-Poo Park House (addition)
- Motion 380/14
- Moved by Councillor Webb to accept the agenda as amended.
- CARRIED
4. Minutes 4.1 November 24, 2014, Council Regular Meeting Minutes
- Motion 381/14
- Moved by Councillor Godlonton to accept the November 24, 2014 Council Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.
- CARRIED
5. Delegation 5.1 Blindman Hani-Van Society (7.1)
- Mr. Harold Kenny, President of the Blindman Handi-Van Society reviewed their request for \$20,000 to offset the cost of hiring a contract driver.
- Motion 382/14
- Moved by Councillor Jaycox to accept the delegation presentation from the Blindman Handi-Van Society as information.
- CARRIED
6. Bylaws 6.1 None
7. New and Unfinished Business 7.1 Blindman Handi-Van Delegation Discussion (5.1)
- Motion 383/14
- Moved by Councillor Jaycox to provide the Blindman Handi-Van Society with a donation of \$20,000 annually for the next three years, ending in 2017, to assist with maintaining a contract driver.

CARRIED

7.2 2015 Interim BudgetMotion 384/14

Moved by Mayor Pankiw to adopt the 2014 Operating Budget as the 2015 Interim Operating Budget.

CARRIED

7.3 Tagish Engineering Project Status Update to Dec 2, 2014Motion 385/14

Moved by Councillor Webb to accept the Tagish Engineering Project Status Report for December 2, 2014 as information.

CARRIED

7.4 Meeting with Ponoka County

It was the consensus of Council to meet with Ponoka County to discuss the following items:

- NE Lagoon Outlet Channel Cleanout;
- HVAC Funding for the Community Centre;
- Fire Services Cost Sharing;
- 5-ton Tandem Truck for Snow Removal.

7.5 Red Deer River Watershed AllianceMotion 386/14

Moved by Councillor Godlonton to approve funding for 2015 in the amount of \$1189 to the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance conditional on the continuation of the school component of their program and conditional on the Alliance involving the media and public in the process through events such as an open house.

CARRIED

7.6 Rimbey Kinsmen 2nd Annual Christmas PartyMotion 387/14

Moved by Councillor Jaycox to purchase a table of eight for the Rimbey Kinsmen 2nd Annual Christmas Party to be held on Saturday, December 13, 2014 at the Peter Lougheed Community Centre, at a cost of \$450.00 and the eight tickets are to be offered to Council and Staff on a first come, first served basis.

CARRIED

7.7 Christmas HoursMotion 388/14

Moved by Councillor Webb to close the operations of the Town of Rimbey Wednesday, December 24, 2014 and employees of the Town of Rimbey be paid for the entire day.

CARRIED

7.8 Rimbey High School Drama PlayMotion 389/14

Moved by Councillor Godlonton that Council donates the use of the Main

Auditorium and Kitchen at the Peter Lougheed Community Centre for Friday, April 24, 2015, to the Rimbey Junior Senior High School.

CARRIED

7.9 Edmonton Journal Article on Rimbey Hospital

Motion 390/14

Moved by Councillor Jaycox Administration draft a letter to be signed by Mayor Pankiw advising the Rimbey Review, Edmonton Journal, Calgary Herald and the Red Deer Advocate of the factual information and further that the letter also be forwarded to the Minister of Health, Honourable Stephen Mandel.

CARRIED

7.10 Pas Ka-Poo Park House

Motion 391/14

Moved by Councillor Webb the Town of Rimbey pay \$1,500.00 to assist with the cost of the furnace replacement.

CARRIED

8. Reports

8.1 Department Reports - None

8. Boards/Committee Reports

8.2.1 Rimbey Family and Community Services/Rimbey Community Home Help Services Board Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2014

Motion 392/14

Moved by Councillor Webb to accept the Rimbey Family and Community Services/Rimbey Community Home Help Services Board Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2014 as information.

CARRIED

9. Correspondence

9.1 Letter of Concern

Motion 393/14

Moved by Councillor Godlonton to accept the letter of concern, as information.

CARRIED

10. Open Forum

10.1 Open Forum

Mayor Pankiw asked the gallery if anyone wished to address Council.

There were four responses from the gallery.

One person spoke regarding the Edmonton Journal's Article on the Rimbey Hospital and also requested an explanation regarding the letter they sent to the last Council Meeting regarding the tax cancellation on two properties.

One person also spoke regarding the Edmonton Journal's Article, the number of employees the Rimbey Hospital had, and also spoke as a rural rate payer, regarding county residents using facilities in town, etc.

Treana Mielke of the Rimbey Review departed the meeting at 8:03 pm.

One person requested clarification on the Christmas holiday hours and the \$50,000 reallocation of funds noted in the last meeting regarding the 49th avenue park. The funds are being reallocated from park to trails, however, the park will still be built to a standard park level.

One person spoke regarding idling.

Mayor Pankiw thanked the members of the gallery for their comments. Four members of the public and Mr. Kenny departed the meeting.

Mayor Pankiw recessed the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Chief Administrative Officer Lucien Cloutier, Chief Financial Officer Lori Hills and Recording Secretary Kathy Blakely departed the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Mayor Pankiw reconvened the meeting at 8:08 pm

Motion 394/14

Moved by Councillor Jaycox to extend the meeting past the 90 minutes allocated for Council Meetings.

CARRIED

11. In Camera

11.1 Personnel (Pursuant to Division 2, Section 17(2) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.)

Motion 395/14

Moved by Councillor Godlonton the Council meeting go in camera at 8:09 pm, pursuant to Division 2, Section 17(2) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, to discuss personnel.

CARRIED

Motion 396/14

Moved by Councillor Webb the meeting reverts back to an open meeting at 8:40 pm.

CARRIED

Motion 397/14

Moved by Councillor Webb there be no Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) increase for 2015 and that COLA be revisited in 2016, there be a grid established effective January 1, 2015 for hourly wage employees, all employees other than management positions are eligible to receive merit increases where applicable. No adjustments of any kind for management personnel.

CARRIED

12. Adjournment

Motion 398/14

Moved by Councillor Godlonton to adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

Time of Adjournment: 8:43 p.m.



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER