

TOWN OF RIMBEY

TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2012, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE TOWN  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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1. Call to Order Mayor Ibbotson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, with the following in attendance:
- Mayor Sheldon Ibbotson  
Councillor Gayle Rondeel  
Councillor Jack Webb  
Councillor Paul Payson  
Councillor Scott Ellis  
CAO - Tony Goode  
Assistant CAO – Ryan Maier  
Assistant Foreman – Rick Schmidt  
Community Services Director – Rick Kreklewich  
Recording Secretary - Melissa Beebe
- Absent:  
Director of Finance – Danita Deal
- Public:  
Rimbey Review – Amelia Naismith  
ISL Engineering – Robert Perrault  
Rimbey Library Board – Lori Armstrong  
Rimbey Librarian – Jean Keetch
2. Public Hearing None
3. Adoption of Agenda Additions to the agenda to include: ISL Engineering as 5.2 under Delegations, Big Brothers Big Sisters Proclamation Request as 9.7 under correspondence and Personnel as 10.1 under correspondence.
- Motion 146/12
- Moved by Councillor Webb to approve the agenda as amended.
- CARRIED  
(5-0)
4. Minutes 4.1 July 16, 2012, Council Meeting Minutes
- Motion 147/12
- Moved by Councillor Rondeel to accept the July 16, 2012, Council Meeting minutes as presented.
- CARRIED  
(5-0)
5. Delegation 5.1 Rimbey Municipal Library
- Rimbey Library representatives, Jean. Keetch and Lori Armstrong presented a power point presentation. Ms. Keetch advised that in 2011 the library saw 35,000 visitors, offered 336 programs, and currently has 1,200 cardholder members. The library's position is the space of 2,460 sqft is inadequate. The library needs acquire more square footage to alleviate the overcrowding and safety issues for staff and patrons. They advised that a federal grant has come available that would allocate a matching grant up to \$250,000 towards renovation costs of an existing building. Ms. Keetch proposed to Council the following options:
- First Option - A standalone building if the library had four million to build it.
  - Second Option - to have administration find new space and let the library take over the entire building.
  - Third Option - Lease available 5,200 sqft space at the Coop Mall, estimated at \$60,996/yr. including utilities.
- Ms. Keetch advised that these grants are few and far between and is requesting a commitment from Council in acquiring more building space, in order for them to complete the grant application before the November 19 deadline.

Council thanked Ms. Keetch and Ms. Armstrong and agreed to consider and investigate the proposed options and that any solution has to fit into the Town budget. Ms. Keetch and Ms. Armstrong thanked Council and withdrew from the meeting at 6:58 pm.

#### 5.2 ISL Engineering

Robert Perrault of ISL Engineering, provided a summary of the plan to repair the Northeast Sewer Lagoon. This work is being done under warranty. A plan has been provided to Tagish Engineering that requires a borrow site for clay, because the original clay left on site is not dry enough to repair the liner as the moisture content is too high. Tagish Engineering will be working with Parkland Geo and then ISL Engineering will come up with a formal plan that will be presented to Tagish Engineering for review with Administration. Once the formal plan is in place, work will proceed to complete repairs of the liner and berm.

Council asked the following questions:

Was there any thought that building over a spring would be an issue. What happens to the spring water in winter if it is not pumped off?

Mr. Perrault advised that when the original testing was done in 2001, there was no indication that there were active springs. During construction it became apparent that there were active springs, so cells 1 and 2 were built with active drain systems, and cells 3, 4, and 5 are clay lined cells with drainage pipes located under cells 4 and 5 that are attached to the manhole, water from under these cells is then pumped out of the manholes and into the drainage ditch. The manhole is located between cell 2 and 3. The base elevation of the ground in the area is a meter and half below normal ground level in that area. If the clay liner holds then repair will be successful. The worst case scenario is that the under drain will need to be pumped continuously all winter to relieve the hydro static water pressure from below the clay liners in the cells. The area requires an adequate storm water retention and drainage ditch as an outlet for the water.

Council thanked Mr. Perrault, who withdrew from the meeting at 7:39 pm.

#### 6. Bylaws

None

#### 7. New and Unfinished Business

##### 7.1 Rimbey Municipal Library

Mayor advised that it could be perceived that he may have a conflict of interest because one of the options presented was to move the library to the Coop Mall. He reviewed this question with an advisor with Alberta Municipal Affairs found no conflict of interest exists, as there is no money being put directly in the mayor's pocket. Council discussed a variety of the options that the Library Delegation presented to increase occupancy space for the library that included the following:

- Relocating the Town Office to the Provincial Building,
- Long term rental options of available commercial space for relocation of the library
- Allocation of more space in the existing building to the Rimbey Library.
- Concerns were brought forward in regards to the costs involved with an ongoing lease.
- Adequate relocation areas for Town Office or Library

Administration advised that options are being pursued with the provincial government in regards to the provincial building.

##### Motion 148/12

Moved by Councillor Ellis to have Administration make a formal request to the province that the Town is interested in obtaining the provincial building and to defer decision on the Library's request to the next meeting.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

Ryan withdrew from the meeting at 7:53 pm and rejoined at 7:54 pm.

##### 7.2 Rimbey Arena Naming Rights

Council discussed selling the naming rights of the Rimbey Arena. Administration advised that selling the naming rights would be done by an RFP which would outline the parameters.

Motion 149/12

Moved by Councillor Webb to advertise for proposals for the Community Recreation Facility naming rights.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

8. Reports

8.1 Council Reports

8.1.1 Mayor written report

8.1.2 Councillor Ellis written report

Councillor Webb verbally outlined the following information: attended Lacombe Parade, Historical Society appreciation supper and sat in on lagoon meeting. Councillor Payson advised that he attended the Historical Society appreciation supper, Fortis Alberta Supper and meeting, and Library meeting. Councillor Rondeel advised same as Councillor Payson with the addition of attendance at the Bentley Parade.

Motion 150/12

Moved by Councillor Rondeel to accept Council reports as presented.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

8.2 Board/Committee Reports

8.2.1 Recreation Board Minutes – May 7/12

Motion 151/12

Moved by Councillor Webb to accept board/committee reports as presented.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

9. Correspondence

9.1 Central Alberta Raceways request for CFEP Letter of Support

Central Alberta Raceways is applying for a CFEP grant and is seeking a letter of support from Council.

Motion 152/12

Moved by Councillor Webb to support the Central Alberta Raceways CFEP application.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

9.2 MLA Constituency Office Information

9.3 Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program (AMIP)

9.4 Electoral Boundaries

9.5 Elections Alberta Prohibited Contributions Administrative Penalty

9.6 Central Alberta Regional Court House Facility

Motion 153/12

Moved by Councillor Ellis to accept 9.2, 9.3, 9.4, and 9.5 as information as presented.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

9.7 Big Brothers/Big Sisters Proclamation Request (Addition)

Motion 154/12

Moved by Councillor Payson to proclaim September 2012 as Big Brother Big Sister Month.

CARRIED

(5-0)

Mayor called a short recess at 8:20 pm and reconvened the meeting at 8:27 pm.

10. In Camera

10.1 Personnel

Motion 155/12

Moved by Councillor Payson to go in camera at 8:28 pm.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

Motion 156/12

Moved by Mayor Ibbotson to come out of camera at 8:37 pm.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

Motion 157/12

Moved by Mayor Ibbotson to accept Ryan Maier’s resignation with regrets.

CARRIED  
(5-0)

11. Adjournment

Council adjourned the meeting at 8:38 pm.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER