

Council Committee Meeting Notes
January 19, 2011
Time: 7:00 pm

Attendees:

Mayor Ibbotson
Councillor Payson
Councillor Webb
Councillor Anglin
Councillor Rondeel
Ryan Maier, Assistant CAO
Tony Goode, CAO
Rick Kreklewich, Recreation Director
Jackie Mechlaoui, Director of Finance

7 members of the public attended

Arena Maintenance/Hockey Tournament

- Recreation Director met with Minor Hockey on January 17, 2011 and discussed the maintenance, cleanliness and staffing of the arena. Minor Hockey understands that the repairs will be worked on within the town budget. Minor Hockey is pleased with the meeting and are looking forward to the 4-day event which will draw a lot of people to the community.
- Rick presented to Council a draft Community Services Coordinator position description that was approved at the planning meeting. Community Services Coordinator is a mixture of four hats including programs, special events, tourism, website, and marketing. The advertisement will list the rate of pay from \$40,000 to \$50,000.

Snow Removal

- If we have to rent a grader from nikirks that is an additional cost and if we get another dump will need to rent the grader and back hoe this time to help with the clearing of driveway entrances. The town does not have a snow removal policy and Council discussed that a snow removal policy is required and is on the do list of the Bylaw and Policy committee. Joe would like to see a priority in the sense of the business first, second is sidewalk clear going up to the school and then the seniors.
- Bernard Bast presented some issues that are unresolved with the town. The Issue is related to snow piling, the alley road height in regards to his property. Mr. Bast feels that since this issue he has been paint balled, lawn was ripped up, everyone piles there snow on his property. Tony advised that Public Works has been notified and will be removing the snow pile. Council advised that this is the first they have heard of the issue and will need time to investigate it.

Alberta Health Services

- Tony provided that letters were received from AHS, one in regards to the change order request and the second letter to extend the ground ambulance contract for one year to march 31 2012. In addition, a letter was received from the union in regards to commencement of union contract negotiations. Council reviewed the information with some discussion regarding the status of ground ambulance. No decisions at this time.

Alberta Order of Excellence Nomination

- Council discussed and all members in favour of shelving the Alberta Order of Excellence Nomination for this year and possibly look at having an outside committee formed in the future for award nomination purposes.

Council follow up action list

Garbage Issues

Contract comes up the end of March. Item discussed was the transfer station and operate it ourselves, take commercial garbage out of contract and commercial look after their own garbage pickup and negotiate their own contracts with private companies of their choice. Discussion regarding Residential roll out bins with options of different size at different costs and for administration to put together a RFP and have blue bag pick up as an option only for residential. Administration has received inquiries in regards to the RFP. Bins down at transfer station for recycling. Talked about an ewaste site at the transfer station.

Lions Skateboard Park

- Prudent for recreation committee to meet with lions and advise that we are not going to purchase the property and what are their future plans. Delay

Encroachment issue

- Notify the residents and let them decide if they want the alley and then could make it into a green belt Send letters to property owner advising of the issues.

1934 International Truck

- Offer to do the logos on an existing truck. CAR is interested in the truck this was advised from Gayle and Jack. Need an answer from CAR and need to talk to the Historical Society. Jack will talk to the Raceways and Gayle to speak to the Historical Society after the AGM Meeting with the proposed options. No funds will be budgeted for at this time.

Arena School Rate:

- We have the cheapest rates in the province. Sheldon should like to look at a whole package that does a comparison with other communities on arena rates. Send a letter to the school advising that there will be no change this season and will be re-evaluating for the next season once we have completed a community comparison.

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- The 3rd Wednesday each month and a motion at the next meeting scheduled for January 26 will be required. Put on agenda. Format for meeting will be open for an items that council would like to discuss.

Dangerous Goods route

- Joe supports going on the bypass and coming down mainstreet from east to west but leaning more towards for safety reasons alone a truck route. Would be the traffic bylaw and can be handled under that

Walkway Encroachment

- Leave as is, open during the warm months and closed during the winter months for walkway located between 4601 and 4519 – 52 Street due to fence encroachment on walkway property.

Tennis /Basketball Court resurfacing

- Not at this time

54 Street/highway 53 Intersection:

- Accept as information

Meeting ended at 10:15 pm