TOWN OF RIMBEY

TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2012, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1. Call to Order Mayor Ibbotson called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm, with the following in attendance:

Mayor Sheldon Ibbotson Councillor Gayle Rondeel Councillor Jack Webb Councillor Paul Payson Councillor Scott Ellis Via Skype Assistant CAO – Ryan Maier Recording Secretary - Melissa Beebe Recording Secretary (in training) – Kathy Blakely Absent: CAO Tony Goode

Public: Rimbey Review – Trena Meikle

- 2. Public Hearing None
- 3. Adoption of <u>3.1. September 10, 2012 Agenda</u> Agenda <u>Motion 158/12</u>

Moved by Councillor Rondeel to accept the agenda as presented.

CARRIED
(5-0)

4. Minutes <u>4.1 August 20, 2012, Council Meeting Minutes</u>

Motion 159/12

<u>None</u>

Moved by Councillor Webb to accept the August 20, 2012, Council Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED (5-0)

- 5. Delegation
- 6. Bylaws None
- 7. New and Unfinished Business
 7.1 Franchise Fee Agreements – ATCO Gas and FORTIS ALBERTA

 Melissa Beebe explained that we received franchise fees at a rate of 24%, in the amount of approximately \$12000.00 a month from ATCO Gas.

FortisAlberta supplied documentation to the Town of Rimbey indicating what the franchise fees are currently, and what the Town of Rimbey could expect if the franchise fees were increased from the current 7% to 9%. The franchise fees come from the funds collected on electricity distribution by Fortis Alberta. Discussion ensued regarding franchise fees and how it impacts residents everywhere. If the Town of Rimbey implements a higher franchise fee, then the Residents would see a higher cost on their electricity bills. It is a way to increase revenue without increasing taxes. Council reviewed a list of franchise fees for other municipalities of comparable size. Mayor Ibbotson indicated that he was not in favor of an increase to the franchise fee from Fortis Alberta.

Motion 160/12

Moved by Councillor Webb that the Town of Rimbey maintain the current rates for franchises fees paid to the Town of Rimbey by ATCO Gas and Fortis Alberta.

CARRIED (5-0)

8. Reports

- 8.1 Department Reports
 - 8.1.1 Development Officer Report
 - 8.1.2 Community Services Report
 - 8.1.3 Fire Department Report
 - 8.1.4 Bylaw Report none
 - 8.1.5 Public Works Report
 - 8.1.6 Parks Report

Motion 161/12

Moved by Councillor Ellis to accept the Department Reports as presented.

CARRIED (5-0)

Motion 162/12

Move by Councillor Rondeel that the Recreation Department provide a full written detailed report of the operations of the pool for the 2012 season to the Recreation Board at their October 2012 meeting.

> CARRIED (5-0)

8.1.7 Finance Reports

8.1.7.1 Bank Reconciliation July

8.1.7.2 Cash Position July 2012

8.1.7.3 Consolidated Financial Statement July

8.1.7.4 Accounts Payable Cheque Run – July 13/12

8.1.7.5 Accounts Payable Cheque Run – July 31/128.1.7.6 Accounts Payable Cheque Run – August 15/12

8.1.7.7 Accounts Payable Cheque Run – August 31/12

Motion 163/12

Moved by Councillor Webb to accept the Financial reports as presented.

CARRIED (5-0)

8.2 **Board/Committee Reports**

8.2.1 Rimbey Historical Society June 19 & July 17/12 Councillor Ellis advised Council that he attended the July 17, 2012 Historical Society Meetings. Councillor Rondeel inquired as to why the Historical Society accepted the higher quote \$13000.00 plus GST for the electrical work in the truck museum and was advised that the quote was higher but it also included more work than originally required.

Motion 164/12

Moved by Councillor Ellis to accept the Historical Society Reports as presented.

CARRIED (5-0)

9. Correspondence 9.1 Joyce Tona – Drainage Issue

This item was covered in the Public Works Department Report. It was noted that it is a manhole where the pavement has settled. There are several in the area that require repair. To repair the affected areas would require asphalt overlay patching at a cost of approximately \$2000.00 per manhole. Council asked that a letter be sent to Mrs. Tona thanking her for her letter and advise

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her that the Town is aware of the problem and the infrastructure repairs will be brought forth in the budgeting process.

- 9.2 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rimbey Thank you.
- 9.3 The Rimbey Exhibition & Rodeo Board Thank you.
- 9.4 Chapman Riebeek LLP Bylaw Ticket 6(h) Unattached trailer on street. Chapman Riebeek LLP advised the Town of Rimbey that a court date has been set for December 5, 2012 with regards to an individual challenging a fine for a vehicle which was ticketed and removed from the street.
- 9.5 Brent Bratland Drader Crescent Traffic Issue Discussion ensued on this particular street in question where the paved street turns and an alley continues on forward. It was noted that this is a problem area with people racing up the alley. A copy of Mr. Bratland's letter was forwarded upon receipt, to the RCMP and Bylaw Enforcement requesting increased patrolling until solutions to the problem could be found. Council recommended that Administration ask for recommendations from the RCMP, Bylaw Enforcement and Public Works about slowing down traffic in that area. Council also requested that a letter be sent to Mr. Bratland advising him of the above.
- 9.6 Council Invites MP & MLA

Motion 165/12

Moved by Councillor Payson that letters be sent to MLA Joe Anglin and MP Blaine Calkins requesting their attendance as a delegation to an upcoming Town of Rimbey Council Meeting.

CARRIED (5-0)

Motion 166/12

Moved by Councillor Webb to accept 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 as information as presented.

CARRIED (5-0)

10. In Camera None

11. Adjournment Council adjourned the meeting at 7:13 pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER