

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JUNE 20, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

MayorJim Benedict
Deputy MayorBill Love
CouncillorAngela Duncan
CouncillorTara Elwood
CouncillorDon McNair
CAOKathy Skwarchuk

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Benedict called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

IN CAMERA: The In Camera session was held at the end of the meeting.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS: Deputy Mayor Love requested to add Unsightly Properties to agenda under New Business 13.c.

AGENDA ADOPTION:

#097-17 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION:

50+ ACTIVE SENIORS – NEW HORIZON FOR SENIORS GRANT PROPOSAL:

Bonnie Barbeau & Wendy Lippa from the 50+ Active Seniors met with Council to discuss and request a letter of support in their application to the New Horizon for Seniors Grant Program. The 50+ Active Seniors have applied for funding for outdoor exercise equipment at the Alberta Beach Seniors Centre. The proposal is to install the equipment outside their building in the landscaped area on the northwest corner of the building as shown on their proposal, this area would not interfere with parking. The equipment would be open and available for anyone to use. Mrs. Lippa as the newly elected president of the Alberta Beach Seniors Club advised that the Seniors Club is in support of the project. Mrs. Barbeau and Mrs. Lippa requested Council's consideration to assist with the costs of site preparation in the amount of \$5,000.00 and further that the commitment of funding would not be required until next year, if the grant is approved.

#098-17 MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that Council approve to provide a letter of support for the 50+ Active Seniors in their application for funding for outdoor exercise equipment through the New Horizon for Seniors Grant Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KELSEY DUMONT – COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Dumont did not attend the meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

#099-17 MOVED BY Councillor McNair that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 16, 2017 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#100-17 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of June 2, 2017 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEETING ADJOURN FOR MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

No Municipal Planning Commission Meeting was held.

OLD BUSINESS & BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

THINGS TO DO LIST:

LAKE ACCESSES – ILLEGAL DUMPING OF LAKE WEEDS:

It was reported that complaints have been received from Alberta Beach residents that residents of the Summer Village of Val Quentin as well as the Summer Village of Sunset Point are bringing lake weeds to the 60 Street and Boundary Road lake accesses and our residents are concerned that it should not be the responsibility of Alberta Beach for cleanup of the weeds from their municipalities.

#101-17 MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that a letter be forwarded to the Summer Village of Val Quentin and the Summer Village of Sunset Point to address the concerns that their residents are illegally dumping lake weeds on the 60 Street and Boundary Road lake accesses.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCIAL:

LIST OF ACCOUNTS:

#102-17 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the list of accounts in the amount of \$203,255.64 as attached be accepted for information.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COUNCILLOR DUNCAN:

LAKE ISLE & LAC STE. ANNE WATER QUALITY – Councillor Duncan reviewed and submitted report on the May 18th meeting (attached).

WEST INTER-LAKE DISTRICT (WILD) WATER COMMISSION – Councillor Duncan reviewed and submitted report on the June 5th meeting (attached).

YELLOWHEAD EAST COMMUNITY FUTURES – Councillor Duncan reviewed and submitted report on the May 25th meeting (attached).

COUNCILLOR ELWOOD:

ALBERTA BEACH LIBRARY BOARD – Councillor Elwood gave a brief update on the June 13th meeting.

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD – Councillor Elwood gave a brief update on the June 2nd meeting.

YELLOWHEAD REGIONAL LIBRARY – Councillor Elwood reviewed and submitted the meeting highlights on the June 12th meeting (attached).

COUNCILLOR MCNAIR:

ALBERTA BEACH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES – Councillor McNair reviewed and submitted the minutes of the June 14th meeting (attached).

DEPUTY MAYOR LOVE:

EAST END BUS COMMITTEE – Deputy Mayor Love reviewed and submitted report on the May 29th meeting (attached).

HIGHWAY 43 EAST WASTE COMMISSION – Deputy Mayor Love reviewed and submitted report on the June 19th meeting (attached).

MAYOR BENEDICT:

TRIVILLAGE REGIONAL SEWAGE SERVICES COMMISSION – Mayor Benedict reviewed and submitted report on the May 25th meeting (attached).

PATROL DEPARTMENT:

The Patrol Department submitted a report for Council's information which included statistical data on the traffic along 46 Street reported through the electronic speed sign.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REPORT:

The Administration Department submitted a report for Council's information on the 2017 Development Permits issued to date.

#103-17

MOVED BY Councillor Duncan that the committee reports be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – FOR INFORMATION:

AGRICULTURE FOR LIFE – REQUEST FOR SUPPORT:

A letter was received from Agriculture for Life requesting support for their education programs that increase the understanding of agriculture and farm safety.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – 2017 MUNICIPAL SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE & FEDERAL GAS TAX FUNDING:

A letter was received from Honourable Shaye Anderson, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the 2017 funding allocations for the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) and the Federal Gas Tax Fund (GTF).

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – MUNICIPAL SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE PROGRAM PROJECT ACCEPTANCE:

A letter was received from Honourable Shaye Anderson, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs advising that the manhole project has been approved as an accepted project under the MSI capital program.

ALBERTA RECREATION & PARKS ASSOCIATION – ANNUAL CONFERENCE & ENERGIZE WORKSHOP:

A letter was received from Alberta Recreation & Parks Association regarding the 2017 ARPA annual Conference & Energize Workshops to be held in Lake Louise October 26-28, 2017.

ALBERTA RECREATION & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY DIVISION – RECREATION VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS:

A letter was received from Alberta Recreation and Physical Activity Division regarding nominations for the Recreation Volunteer Recognition Awards that celebrate leadership and excellence in the province's recreation and parks sector which will be awarded at the ARPA Conference & Energize Workshops being held in Lake Louise on October 26-28, 2017.

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ALBERTA RURAL PHYSICIAN ACTION PLAN – ALBERTA RURAL HEALTH QUARTERLY REPORT:

The Alberta Rural Physician Action Plan forwarded the summer 2017 issue of the Alberta Rural Health Quarterly Report for information.

HON. JIM EGLINSKI, MP YELLOWHEAD – CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION:

Honourable Jim Eglinski, MP Yellowhead forwarded a Certificate of Appreciation to each Councillor in recognition of outstanding contributions made to our community as Canada celebrates its 150th anniversary of Confederation.

MR. BUD BUSENIUS – FOLLOW UP EMAIL FROM MAY 16TH COUNCIL MEETING:

Mr. Bud Busenius forwarded a follow up email from the May 16th, 2017 Council meeting apologizing for his over indulgence at the meeting regarding development and further that he understands Council's position and dynamic responsibility.

MS. CECILE BULVA – FIRE ALARM RESPONSE FILE #5901441:

Ms. Cecile Bulva forwarded a follow up letter regarding her attendance at the last Council meeting regarding the fire alarm response file #5901441. Mayor Benedict forwarded a letter of response to Ms. Bulva and was distributed for information.

TOWN OF ONOWAY – 2017 FCSS GRANT APPROVAL:

A letter was received from the Town of Onoway advising that Alberta Beach has been approved for a 2017 FCSS grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 to fund a community volunteer appreciation event.

ALBERTA BEACH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY – POLYNESIAN DAYS:

The Alberta Beach Agricultural Society forwarded a letter to Council requesting permission for the Polynesian Days festivities throughout the village being held on August 4-7, 2017. A response approving their request has been provided to the Ag Society.

#104-17 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the correspondence be accepted for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – REQUIRING ACTION:

#105-17 ALBERTA SENIORS & HOUSING – SENIORS' WEEK PROCLAMATION:
MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that Council approve the proclamation for Seniors' Week in honour of the past, present and future contributions of the seniors of this community and throughout Alberta.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#106-17 GRASMERE SCHOOL – ANNUAL VOLUNTEER LUNCH:
An invitation was received from Grasmere School to attend the annual Volunteer Luncheon on June 28th.
MOVED BY Councillor Duncan that Mayor Benedict attend the Grasmere School Annual Volunteer Lunch on June 28th on behalf of the Village.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#107-17 HON. SARAH HOFFMAN, DEPUTY PREMIER & MINISTER OF HEALTH – RESPONSE TO EMS CONCERNS:
MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that the letter received from Honourable Sarah Hoffman, Deputy Premier & Minister of Health in response to Mayor Benedict's letters and the January 18, 2017 meeting regarding issues related to emergency medical services (EMS) be forwarded to the Town of Onoway and the Regional Emergency Services Committee.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RATE PAYERS OF 47A AVENUE – ROAD CONDITION:

A letter was received from the Rate Payers of 47A Avenue regarding the condition of the road. It was reported to Council that a letter was distributed to the rate payers along 47A Avenue advising that the road is scheduled for rehabilitation and paving and further that in the interim public works will fill the pot holes.

#108-17 THE RESIDENTS OF 43 AVENUE – REQUEST FOR SIGNAGE:
A letter was received from the residents of 43 Avenue requesting the installation of new signage to notify those using the road to drive slowly as there are many children present in the neighbourhood.
MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that a response be sent to the Residents of 43 Avenue to advise that a speed sign will be installed on 43 Avenue and further that the village will look into children playing signage.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#109-17 T.W. FOX – DRAINAGE DITCH ON 46 STREET & 50 AVENUE:
MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that a letter be forwarded to T.W. Fox to thank him for his correspondence and further that he be advised that our public works department will do their best to remove the weeds from the 46 Street & 50 Avenue ditch and further that the village cannot do anything further until the water level of the lake drops.

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K. DUMONT – CULVERT:

Correspondence was received from Kelsey Dumont regarding flooding issues on her property and her request for the reasons behind the removal of a culvert in the alley behind her property. It was reported that Mayor Benedict and Councillor Duncan met with the resident to review her concerns and to confirm that a letter was sent to all affected property owners in the fall of 2015 as notification of the culverts being removed and re-grading of the alley, further the public works report on the meeting held with the resident's family member during the culvert removal was also reviewed with the resident. It is believed this property is low and had previous drainage problems prior to the removal of the culvert. Mayor Benedict reported a further meeting will be held on site with the resident and contractor.

NEW BUSINESS:

WEST INTER-LAKE DISTRICT REGIONAL WATER SERVICES COMMISSION – ROAD CROSSING AGREEMENT:

#110-17 MOVED BY Councillor Duncan that the Road Crossing Agreement between Alberta Beach and West Inter-Lake District Regional Water Services Commission be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STOP ORDER ENFORCEMENT:

#111-17 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the Village proceed with stop orders on the following properties; Lot 8, Block 2, Plan 3321BQ; Lot 4, Block 19, Plan 6269CG; and Lot 13, Block 4, Plan 6376KS and further that all costs incurred by the Village of Alberta Beach in remedying the Stop Orders issued under Section 545 & 546 of the Municipal Government Act be added to the tax rolls as a charge against the lands for the said owners, and further are deemed to be a tax from the date they are added to the tax rolls for the premises.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNSIGHTLY PROPERTIES:

#112-17 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that unsightly property bylaws and options for fines associated with the bylaw be investigated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

QUESTION PERIOD:

A question period was held and a brief discussion arose on the RCMP sign on the outside of the village office, it was suggested that an overhead light be installed. A brief discussion also arose on the addition of fines to unsightly properties.

IN CAMERA:

Due to Section 197 of the MGA and Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) Act an 'In Camera' session was held to discuss land & legal matters.

#113-17 MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the meeting go 'In Camera' at 8:42 P.M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE AND REPORT:

#114-17 MOVED BY Mayor Benedict that Council 'Rise and Report' at 9:14 P.M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:14 P.M.

Mayor – Jim Benedict

C.A.O. – Kathy Skwarchuk