

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
OYEN WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MARCH 3, 2009
AT 5:30 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT	Mayor Wilson, Councillors Bedwell, Christianson, Schroeder, Tye and Van Otterloo. Recording Secretary – Rizdale Gajudo
ABSENT	Municipal Administrator, Debbie Kovitch
GUESTS/ DELEGATIONS	Sham Malhortra, Residential Lots Doug Jones, Baseball Academy
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	It was moved by Councillor Schroeder to adopt the Agenda as revised. Additions under Delegations: 2. Doug Jones, Oyen Baseball Academy Additions under New Business: 8. Annual Meeting Scheduling CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
PUBLIC WORKS	Report not submitted.
PREVIOUS MINUTES	Councillor Bedwell informed Council of corrections to be made in the previous minutes of February 3, 2009. Spelling correction of “Georgine Westguard” under Guests/Delegations. Deletion of “required finances and” under Celebration 2009 Councillor Christianson informed Council of a correction to be made in the previous minutes of February 3, 2009. Rewording of details under Sheldon Kennedy. It was moved by Councillor Christianson to adopt the Previous Minutes of February 3, 2009 as corrected. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
SPECIAL MEETING	Councillor Bedwell informed Council of an addition to be made in the minutes of the Special Meeting on February 4, 2009. It was moved by Councillor Bedwell to adopt the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on February 4, 2009. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
CN RAIL	Councillor Bedwell informed Council of a meeting with regards to the possible CN Rail closure in Drumheller on March 16, 2009 at 1:30PM.
SHAM MALHORTRA	Not present at meeting.

MAYOR

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR

**RECREATION
REPORT**

Report not received.

**DOCTOR'S
OFFICES**

Councillor Tye informed Council of a Big Country Medical Dental Centre meeting he attended on February 27, 2009 regarding the construction of new doctor's medical clinic that would replace the current medical clinic.

The proposal would include a partnership with Special Areas, Palliser, and M.D of Acadia.

The Town of Oyen will contribute 25% in the amount of \$100,000.00, Special Areas will contribute 60% in the amount of \$240,000.00, and the M.D. of Acadia will contribute 15% in the amount of \$ 60,000.00. Palliser Health Authority will be also contribute funds in the amount of \$150,000.00.

Discussion took place.

It was moved by Councillor Tye that the Council of the Town of Oyen support the construction of a new doctor's medical clinic in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the Town of Oyen based on \$400,000.00, with a limit of \$600,000.00, with a partnership with Special Areas, M.D. of Acadia, and Palliser Health Authority.

CARRIED

**OPERATING
GRANT**

Council received a letter from the Oyen Community Handibus Association with a request for an Annual Operating Grant in the amount of \$2,000.00.

It was moved by Councillor Schroeder to approve the request from the Oyen Community Handibus Association for an Annual Operating Grant in the amount of \$2,000.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

S.T.E.P.

Council received a letter from Alberta Employment and Immigration informing Council that the Town of Oyen has been approved for a grant in the amount of \$3,400.00 for the Summer Temporary Employment Program.

T.I.L.M.A.

Council received a letter and proposed agreement with relation to Trade, Investment and Labor Mobility Agreement from Colin McNabb, MPE Engineering.

The Municipal Administrator recommended that Council approve of entering into an agreement with MPE Engineering for engineering services for a 3 year term.

Discussion took place and it was concluded that there was insufficient information provided and that a Special Meeting would have to be held.

**LATE
ARRIVAL**

Councillor Lehman arrived at the Council Chambers at 6:30PM.

**BASEBALL
ACADEMY**

Doug Jones attended the Council meeting to discuss and answer any inquiries and concerns the Council may have.

Discussion took place.

Delegate, Doug Jones takes leave of the Council Chambers at 7:15PM.

MAYOR

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- ALBERTA CAPITAL FINANCE AUTHORITY** It was moved by Councillor Lehman that Trevor Thain, or designee be appointed to represent and vote the shares of the Town of Oyen at the Annual General meeting of the Alberta Capital Finance Authority to be held on March 19, 2009, in Edmonton.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- RECREATION FACILITY** It was moved by Councillor Schroeder that, subject to all grants and plans approved, Council will commit \$100,000.00 in a loan and \$150,000.00 advance from the Special Areas Recreation Grant to the non-profit organization for the construction of a multi-recreation facility.
CARRIED
- STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT** Council was provided with the Water Line estimate for 1st Avenue, West, from MPE Engineering Ltd.
It was moved by Councillor Lehman that the 1st Avenue Water Line estimated prices be included with the Streets Improvement Project.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2009 ANNUAL MEETING** Councillor Christianson brought forward ideas and inquiries to the Council with regards to the Annual Meeting.
Discussion took place.
It was moved by Councillor Christianson that an Annual Meeting be held with a later date to be set.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- NEW SIGNAGE** Council was informed that at the Chamber of Commerce meeting the Town of Oyen new entrance signage was discussed and it was concluded that the Chamber of Commerce will continue to pursue the new signage.
- POOL LANDSCAPING** Councillor Bedwell reported to Council on the plans for the landscaping at the Shirley McClellan Aquatic Centre.
- VICTIMS SERVICES** Councillor Bedwell reported to Council on a Victim's Services meeting she had attended together with Cst. Tammy Tessier at the Oyen R.C.M.P. Office.
- EMERGENCY SERVICES AWARDS** Councillor Bedwell reported to Council on the Emergency Service Awards Ceremony she had attended on February 26, 2009 at the Oyen Fire Hall together with Mayor Wilson and Councillors Christianson, and Tye.
- REC. ADVISORY BOARD** Councillor Christianson reported on the Recreation Advisory Board meeting she had attended.
- H.K.R.W.C.** Councillor Lehman informed Council of a Henry Kroeger Regional Water Commission meeting he will be attending March 4, 2009.
- TRAIL OF THE BUFFALO** Councillor Schroeder reported to Council that there will be a Trail of the Buffalo meeting in Oyen on March 11, 2009 at the Town of Oyen Council Chambers at 1:00PM.
- COMMUNITY FUTURES** Councillor Schroeder reported to Council on a Community Futures conference call he was involved in on February 24, 2009.

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WASTE MANAGEMENT Councillor Van Otterloo reported to Council on the Big Country Waste Management meeting he attended on February 11, 2009.

CORRESPONDENCE The Recording Secretary and Council reviewed the Correspondence listed in the March 3, 2009 Council Meeting Agenda.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE Councillor Bedwell informed Council of a correction required in the total amount of Accounts to be paid.

It was moved by Councillor Van Otterloo that the list of accounts be approved for payment, with the amount corrected.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT It was moved by Councillor Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 8:14PM.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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