

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF OYEN WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON OCTOBER 27, 2009 AT 5:20PM

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor Wilson, Councilors Schroeder, Bedwell, Christianson, Van Otterloo and Tye.

Municipal Administrator – Debbie Kovitch
Recording Secretary – Rizdale Gajudo

GUESTS Town Foreman Darcy Dobrosky, Diane Tracy (Oyen Arena), Cindy Heidecker (Trail of the Buffalo), Larry Davidson (Paintearth Economic Partnership)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA It was moved by Councillor Tye to adopt the Agenda as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING It was moved by Councillor Christianson to adopt the Organizational meeting as circulated.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PREVIOUS MINUTES It was moved by Councillor Lehman that the Council of the Town of Oyen adopt the minutes of the Council meeting of October 27, 2009, as circulated.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BASEBALL ACADEMY Councillor Christianson informed Council that the Baseball Academy can not proceed with operations until certain grants are obtained.

INSURANCE CLAIM The Municipal Administrator informed Council that the investigator for the pool damage insurance claim has not yet arrived to investigate the damage.

MOBILE HOME The Municipal Administrator presented Council with a utilities report and information that she had obtained from surrounding municipalities.

Discussion took place and it was concluded that there was an insufficient amount of information and that a Special Meeting will be held. Special Meeting to be scheduled later on in the meeting.

AGENDA/PROCEDURES BYLAW The Municipal Administrator presented copies of Bylaws from surrounding communities.

STREET SWEEPER The Municipal Administrator presented Council with a report and information on Town Foreman Darcy Dobrosky's recommendation for a street sweeper from Joe Johnson.

MUNICIPAL TRAINING The Municipal Administrator informed Council that employee Rizdale Gajudo and Charmain Hausauer received training from Robert Gillis, Munisoft, on the Town of Oyen Municipal Software.

H1N1 FLU CLINICS The Municipal Administrator informed Council that she and Rizdale Gajudo have been volunteering at the H1N1 Flu Clinics that have been held and the Town of Oyen has been supplying coffee and juice.

VERNON JOHNSTON The Municipal Administrator informed Council that she had met with with regards to Mr. Johnston's proposal.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS REPORT The Municipal Administrator reported to Council a list of updated tasks.

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- LATE ARRIVAL** Councillor Lehman arrives the Council meeting Chambers at 6:00PM.
- DIANE TRACY** Delegate Diane Tracy informed Council of a concern with regards to the heaters at the Oyen & District Memorial Arena not being turned on.
- Discussion took place and it was concluded that the weather has been too warm for the ice plant to keep the ice frozen and the heaters should remain off until the weather has reached the appropriate temperature.
- I.C.S.P.** The Municipal Administrator informed Council of the dates that Julie Friesen is available to meet for the development of the Oyen Integrated Community Sustainability Plan.
- Discussion took place and Council members would be available to meet on November 13, 19, or 25, 2009.
- PUBLIC WORKS** Town Foreman Darcy Dobrosky presented to Council his recommendation for a new street sweeper.
- Discussion took place. It was concluded that Council will look into financing and other information.
- OLD SWIMMING POOL** Council brought forward concerns with regards to eliminating the possible hazards at the old swimming pool by filling with dirt.
- Mr. Dobrosky informed Council that the cost of filling the old swimming pool with dirt would cost from \$800.00 - \$1,000.00.
- It was moved by Councillor Van Otterloo that the Council approve Town Foreman Darcy Dobrosky to contact Oyen Concrete to fill the old swimming pool at the cost range of \$800.00 - \$1,000.00. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- OYEN FCSS PRESENTATION** Ann Berg attended Council meeting to present Councillor Tye with a plaque of appreciation from the Oyen FCSS, for all the work Councillor Tye has done with activities involving the Oyen FCSS.
- MOBILE HOME PARKS** Delegates Mr. and Mrs. Steinback brought forward concerns with regards to the water, sewer, and garbage rates that are being charged for Ball's Trailer Court and South Park Mobile Home Village.
- Deputy Mayor Doug Lehman informed Councillor Schroeder that his opinions may be in possible conflict of interest.
- It was concluded that the Council would like to see more information from surrounding communities on what their policies/by-laws are on Mobile Home Parks.

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Municipal Administrator to contact the surrounding communities,

**RECESS
5:30 PM**

It was moved by Councillor Tye to recess at 5:30PM to hold the Organizational Meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECONVENE
6:25 PM**

It was moved by Councillor Tye to reconvene the Council meeting of October 27, 2009 at 6:25PM. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**POOL
LANDSCAPING**

Mrs. Marvie Kenny reviewed with Council items/recommendations that should be done for the upkeep and completion of the Pool Landscaping Project.

**COMMONWEALTH
REPRESENTATIVES**

Delegates Mr. Jones, Mr. Slaymaker, Mr. Boehm, and Mr. Hazewinkel presented Council with an overview on the Commonwealth Corporate Support Services Group in relation to Public-Private Partnership (P3's) for capital projects namely the proposed Oyen Multiplex facility.

Discussion took place with Delegates to answer inquiries that Council had.

**RECREATION
REPORT**

Council reviewed the Recreation report submitted by Recreation Director Edward Peacock.

AGENDA'S

Council discussed setting a policy/by-law for preparation/procedures of Agenda's for Council meetings.

Municipal Administrator to bring information to next Council meeting.

**PROPOSAL TO
THE TOWN**

A written proposal was received from Mr. Vernon R. Johnston for Council to consider establishing a Tourist Information Centre and Interpretive Centre within the Town of Oyen.

Council reviewed and discussed. Municipal Administrator to obtain further information with regards to proposal.

**SPECIAL AREAS
LAND USE ORDER**

Council received a letter from Special Areas with regards to a proposed amendment to Special Areas Land Use Order.

**RESIGNATION
FCSS**

Council received a resignation letter from Mrs. Joan Mick resigning as a Board Member for the FCSS.

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**CANADIAN
BADLANDS**

Council received an E-Mail from Canadian Badlands with regards to Rural Alberta Development Funding Signage Program.

Discussion took place and it was concluded that Council is not interested at this time.

**TRAIL OF
THE BUFFALO**

A letter was received from Trail of the Buffalo requesting for the opportunity to attend a Council meeting to present a proposal of the creation of a Destinations Marketing Fund (DMF).

Council instructed Municipal Administrator to schedule.

**CANADIAN
BADLANDS**

A letter was received from Canadian Badlands requesting a letter of support for a funding proposal for six (6) projects in the amount of \$500,000.00 to the Rural Community Adaptation Program (RCAP).

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It was moved by Councillor Schroeder that a letter of support be sent to Canadian Badlands for a funding proposal for projects. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**INSURANCE
CLAIM**

The Municipal Administrator reported to Council on an insurance claim that has been submitted to AMSC for water damage at the Shirley McClellan Aquatic Centre.

Report submitted by Assistant Recreation Director Paul Evans and presented to Council.

Insurance Adjuster to arrive to perform inspection of damage.

**CLUSTER
MUSTER**

Council received an invitation to the Canadian Badlands Cluster Muster on Thursday, November 18, 2009 at 4:00PM in Medicine Hat and will cost \$25.00 per person.

**HEALTH CARE
IN RURAL
COMMUNITIES**

Councillor Bedwell reported to Council on the Future of Health Care in Rural Communities meeting she attended on Friday, October 9, 2009 in Okotoks.

**CN RAIL
CONTINUANCE**

Councillor Bedwell reported to Council on the CN Rail Continuance meeting she attended.

Discussion took place and it was concluded that Councillor Bedwell continue to keep Council updated on occurring events with regards to the CN Rail.

**FCSS ANNUAL
MEETING**

Councillor Bedwell reported to Council on the FCSS Annual Meeting she attended at the Oyen Senior's Recreation Center.

**COMMUNITY
FUTURES**

Councillor Schroeder reported to Council on the Community Futures meeting he took part in.

**ACADIA
FOUNDATION**

Councillor Lehman reported to Council on the Acadia Foundation site meeting he attended.

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**2009 AUMA
CONVENTION**

Mayor Wilson, Councillors Bedwell, Christianson, Lehman and Van Otterloo will be attending the 2009 AUMA Convention in Calgary on November 3-6, 2009.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Municipal Administrator reviewed with Council the list of Correspondence in the October 27, 2009 Meeting Council Meeting Agenda.

**OYEN & DISTRICT
MULTIPLEX SOCIETY**

It was moved by Councillor Lehman that the Council of the Town of Oyen support and approve of amending the applicant on the RInC Application for the proposed Multiplex Building to the Oyen & District Multiplex Society.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE**

It was moved by Councillor Tye that the invoice from John's Electric be approved for payment. **CARRIED**

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Councillor Van Otterloo abstained from voting do to possible conflict of interest.

It was moved by Councillor Tye to pay the remaining balance of accounts.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT It was moved by Councillor Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 9:00PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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