

Res. 309/09 Moved by Councillor Kinley that Administration prepare a draft supplementary assessment and taxation bylaw for all properties in Town for review by Council. Carried.

Rick McKinnon, public works supervisor, entered the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Cancel Aug. 24/09 Council Meeting For the last number of years the last meeting in August has traditionally been cancelled for the purposes of a summer break. Much discussion.

Res. 310/09 Moved by Councillor Walker that the August 24, 2009 meeting of Council be cancelled. None in favour, six opposed. Defeated.

Public Works Report
St. Maintenance

Street patching to be completed shortly.
Street sweeping being done on “as needed” basis instead of every Tuesday.
Back alleys being graded.

Lift Stations West lift station went down due to electrical overload. Has been reset and working fine.

Garbage Garbage volume still way up.
Still a lot of illegal dumping at town bins. A culprit was caught and spoken to by bylaw enforcement.

Garbage Dumping Still a lot of brush and rubble being hauled out.
Bylaw, Fines Council discussed illegal dumping of garbage and request Administration to look into the possibility of a bylaw to address this problem as it is becoming a huge issue.

Pumphouse Problems with chlorine analyzer – technician out and done some changes – will see if they work.

Vehicles, Equipment All vehicles working good.
Bobcat is willing to trade the chipper for a tooth bucket and grabber bucket.
The loader requires repairs to the oscillators or back axle.

Other Playgrounds being cleaned up.
Lions Campground has new playground equipment and site cleaned up.
Stumps and brush at lagoon have been burnt – still some clean up to do.
Shop yard being cleaned up when there is some spare time.
Fire hydrant on 59 Ave. is repaired.

Fire Hydrant Maintenance There are 3 hydrants around Town that are not compatible with the fire hose attachments. Public Works to check out further what is required to change these out.

CN Pile of Tiles CN report that piles of ties will be loaded onto rail cars and shipped to Prince George for disposal. They are currently at Three Hills and when completed there, will be moving to Eckville. Concern expressed by Council members about the smell with the recent heat and environmental issues.

Water Usage Rick McKinnon reports that water consumption is way up again.
Administration to check into rental of a portable sign advising residents about the water restriction policy.

Water Meters: Still some technical issues with the water meters. Public Works working with Neptune and Accu-Flow to get these rectified. Administration working on a Technical Issues, Fees and Charges new water and sewer bylaw and a fees and charges schedule. Administration recommend that January 1, 2010 be the start date to switch over to the metering system.

Public Works Supervisor Rick McKinnon withdrew from the meeting at 7:04 pm.

Delegation Lisa Houle, Dawna Allard (caep) entered the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Community Video Profiles - CAEP CAEP’s Marketing and Communications Committee has initiated a community video profiles project to showcase the member communities of CAEP and to promote growth. A couple of sample videos were also viewed. The video content will feature local events, recreation, schools, business, unique features of the community, investment attraction, job opportunities. iMediaTV has been selected to develop the videos for each of the participating municipalities. Package prices range from \$700 for the basic to \$2,500 for the platinum package (municipal cost only). CAEP is also contributing funds towards this project. Videos will be available on iMedia TV, CAEP and municipal websites. Copies will be provided to the town for its own uses as well.

Lisa Houle and Dawna Allard withdrew from the meeting at 7:40 pm.

This initiative was presented to Council at their June 22/09 meeting at which

time Council received the correspondence for information and directed Administration look into the Town doing a project on their own.

Council discussed this further and is interested in having a professional video developed. Key elements in the video would be the recreation programs and fees, residential and industrial developments and areas.

Council took a recess at 8:07 pm and re-convened at 8:12 pm.

Council further discussed what they want in a contract with iMediaTV, storage and accessibility of video footage, ownership and copyright of the material.

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Moved by Councillor Scott that the Town enter into a partnership with CAEP and iMediaTV for the Basic Package to produce a video at a cost of \$700.00 to the Town and that the contract be negotiated and discussed with CAEP and iMediaTV. Carried.

6. Bylaws, Projects

None.

7. Reports

7.1 **Foreman's Report** – see above.

7.2 **Administrator's Report**

Lacombe County Agric. Tour

Lacombe County had a successful event. The Town was acknowledged for their contribution in sponsoring the coffee breaks at Niemela's Sandy Hill Seed Farm.

BCF-CC Grant Program

Town still has not received the agreements yet for the Lift Stns/Forced Main and North Outlet Storm projects. Memo from the federal government that any project not completed by March 31, 2011 will not receive the full funding.

Tourism Red Deer Membership

Invitation to join membership. Benefits include brochure display at Visitor Information Center, reduced advertising costs, town website link on Tourism Red Deer website, access to promotional materials.

Server Problems

Server is down and in for repairs at Advance Systems – appears to be hardware problems.

Bldg Insurance Appraisal

RCS (Risk Management Services) completed the building insurance appraisal on municipal buildings. Is for buildings only, not contents. Report will be sent to AMSC Insurance Services.

Kilian Estates – paving of 52 St.

Kilian Estates waiting for Border Paving to do paving on 52 St. as well as in their park. Public Works graded 52 St. so it is not so rough. No construction completion certificates issued yet.

7.3 **Fire Report**

34 calls to date this year.

20 members on the Fire department.

Accountability system installed in rescue.

Three fire hydrants not compatible with fire hose connections. (Public Works checking out further).

Shrubbery enclosed fire hydrant concern (Administration will check out further.)

7.4 **Financial Report**

No financials as the server is out of service at this time.

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Moved by Councillor Humphrey that the Foreman's, Administrator's and Fire department reports be received for information. Carried.

8. Committee, Board Reports

8.1 **Committee, Board Reports**

Councillor Walker

July 24/09 – David Thompson Tourist Council – formally closed.

July 27/09 – Lacombe Foundation.

Res. 313/09

Moved by Councillor van Boeschoten that the Committee reports as submitted be received for information. Carried.

9. Correspondence, Information Items

Ambulance Transition

9.1 AUMA's Standing Committee - seeking information about the transition of ambulance service to the province. Response received from Lacombe Municipal Ambulance Service and forwarded.

Proposed Subdivision – Lot 10, Blk 9, Plan 264HW

9.2 Advance notice provided by Parkland Community Planning Services of a proposed subdivision of Lot 10, Block 9, Plan 264HW into 2 residential parcels. The plan was compared to the Land Use Bylaw and it appears that

all requirements will be met. Council expressed concern with existing accessory buildings being located on one of the newly created lots without a primary building. These will be forwarded to PCPS for consideration.

- CAEP Newsletter 9.3 CAEP Quick Notes.
- AUMA/AMSC Notes 9.4 June 2009 Notes to Council of their activities.
- Alta Health Services 9.5 Notification from Stephen Duckett, CEO, of the development of a formal structure for the new organization which comes into effect June 1, 2009.
- Structure
- Prov. Municipal Role in 9.6 Information package on the role and responsibilities of municipalities, the Oil, Gas Approvals Province and the ERCB relative to oil and gas approvals, development and related issues and concerns.
- AMSC's Muni Funds 9.7 AMSC announces the launch of MuniFunds. Member municipalities can now optimize their investments with access to professional investment management and custody services.
- FortisAlberta 9.8 FortisAlberta provided general information on proposed distribution rate increases for 2010 and 2011.

Res. 314/09 Moved by Councillor Ebden that the correspondence was heard and reviewed in Council. Carried.

10. Seminars, Meetings, Special Events

- 10.1 Medicine Valley Industrial Park Concept Plan – Public Open House July 28, 2009 – 7 pm Eckville Community Center. All who can attend will.
- 10.2 Elected Officials Education Program – Fall 2009
Economic Development – Councillor van Boeschoten interested .
Emergency Preparedness Planning – Councillor Ebden interested.
- 10.3 AUMA Convention & AMSC Trade Show – Nov. 3-6, 2009 in Calgary. Interested Council members to complete registration and hand in.

Res. 315/09 Moved by Councillor Kinley that the Seminars, Meetings, and Special Events be received for information and to approve attendance as indicated. Carried.

12. Committee of the Whole

Water System Study

- 12.1 Stantec Consulting has completed the draft Water Treatment Plant and Water Network Capacity Study for review by Council. In summary and based on growth projections (population horizon of 2400 people), the existing water system can meet the future demands for the next 25 years. Maintenance and replacing the aged infrastructure (mainly the water lines in the older section of Town) and equipment will be the major issues that will have to be dealt with in the next 25 years. The existing and future systems do not require an upgrade to the distribution or pumping system and the water reservoir is large enough to meet the potable water needs and fire flow. As the Town grows, the filtration system will need upgrading and the addition of another filter. The wells are sufficient and water quality is high. It is recommended that another well be drilled should the current wells fail. The study referenced and recommended that livestock not be kept within a distance of 500 m of the two wells. Council had no comments or feedback to the draft.

Water Supply and Service Outside Town Boundaries – Last Hill RV Resort

Last Hill RV Resort is interested in connecting to the Town's water system and has asked Council to consider this request. The water study indicates that the water supply will be sufficient to accommodate the demands for the proposed park for potable water only. It is recommended that the park secure its own supply for firefighting purposes.

Res. 316/09 Moved by Councillor Ebden that the Town is prepared to negotiate with Last Hill RV Park an agreement for the provision of water service for their proposed park excluding fire protection. Carried.

McDonald Heights – Landscaping

- 12.2 During the development of the McDonald Heights subdivision, it was the decision of Council not to complete a formal landscaping plan until a later date. Remaining budget is \$17,300.00.
Four concept plans were prepared for Council for their review and to develop an overall landscaping plan for the green space located in McDonald Heights. Ideas and features suggested were: wide open spaces versus a more densely treed park, flower and shrub beds, water feature/pond, playground area, games (picnic) table, game area/concrete pad for hopscotch, basketball hoop, open areas for volleyball, bocce ball, croquet, walking trail with a bridge, benches, park name. Additional items to consider – costs, lighting, washroom facilities. Low maintenance was also taken into consideration with the plans.

Res. 317/09 Moved by Councillor Ebden that Plan #4 be adopted as the landscaping design for the green space in McDonald Heights excluding the water feature and that the park be developed in stages with Stage One to include grass and spruce trees, Stage Two being trail/walkway development, and potentially a

Stage Three being a small playground. Carried.

Recreation/Cultural
Grant Program Policy

12.3 Council reviewed the draft policy. Much discussion concerning Section 5.2 which reads, "Council shall make the final decision on all grant applications." This is an opportunity for Council to endorse the final recommendations of Administration. If this authority is removed, Council has no other option then to support the decision of Administration. The draft will be changed to read, "Administration shall make the final decision on all grant applications." A "funding criteria" section will be added. Other minor additions and deletions were noted and will be changed.

Res. 318/09

Moved by Councillor van Boeschoten that the discussed changes be incorporated into the draft policy and that the revised draft go before Council for final approval. Four in favour, two opposed. Carried.

Res. 319/09

Moved by Council Scott that the meeting continue past 10:00 pm. Five in favour, one opposed. As the motion was not carried unanimously the meeting will not continue past 10:00 pm.

11. In Camera
Res.320/09

11.1 Moved by Councillor van Boeschoten that the meeting move in camera excluding all persons except Council members, and Staff member Administrator Kleeberger to discuss land issues (Country Lane Meadows). Time: 9:52 p.m. Carried.

Res.321/09

Moved by Councillor Humphrey that the meeting come out of camera and reverts back to the regular meeting. Time: 9:58 p.m. Carried.

13. Adjournment
Res.322/09

13.1 Moved by Councillor Humphrey that the meeting be adjourned. Time: 9:59 p.m. Carried.

Mayor

Administrator