



- Control Contract Renewal Res.159/10 \$9600 and the new contract would be for \$10,400.  
 Moved by Councillor Krecsy to renew the contract with Alberta Animal and Municipal Enforcement Services for a term of one year to March 31, 2011 and request that monthly reports be provided to Council. Carried.
- Tax Recovery – Public Auction 5.6 Under Division 8 of the Municipal Government Act, the town must annually prepare a tax arrears list to the Registrar of the Land Titles Office not later than March 31<sup>st</sup>. If the tax arrears are not paid before March 31<sup>st</sup> in the next year, the parcel must be offered for sale at a public auction before the next March 31<sup>st</sup>. Properties which will be offered for sale at the 2010 auction are properties whose taxes are in arrears from the 2007 or prior taxation years. Prior to offering the properties for sale, Council must set the date and time of the public auction and set a reserve bid that is as close as reasonably possible to the market value of the parcel and any conditions that apply to the sale.
- Res.160/10 Moved by Councillor Kinley that Plan 2566MC, Block 14, Lot 22 be put up for sale for tax recovery with the public auction being held on July 7, 2010 commencing at 2:00 p.m. Carried.
- Res.161/10 Moved by Councillor Kinley that a reserve bid of \$185,174.00 be set for the property described as Plan 2566MC, Block 14, Block 22 for the public auction. Carried.
- Splash Park 5.7 At the April 12, 2010 meeting, Council requested that Administration send a letter to the Eckville Recreation Board confirming that Council supports the concept of a Splash Park and that Council believes the Peace Park would be the most suitable location and suggest that further research be completed on this location and request that the Eckville Recreation Board submits a concept plan to provide Council with more information on the project. Further research was completed and a couple of concerns with that location came up so staff researched some other possibilities and provided those to Council.
- Res.162/10 Moved by Councillor Krecsy that Administration thoroughly research, working with close consultation with the Eckville Recreation Board, absolutely every possible property for a Splash Park outlining the benefits and problems with each property with a final recommendation that is endorsed by the Eckville Recreation Board to be brought to Council no later than July 1, 2010. Carried.
- Fire Department – Industry Canada Radio Licensing 5.8 At the April 12, 2010 meeting, Council was advised that Lacombe County has been working on an initiative to update the communications systems of the various fire departments within the County. Part of the success of this initiative is to change the ownership of the many frequencies licensed to various municipalities through Industry Canada. Lacombe County is therefore requesting approval of a change in ownership of the Industry Canada licensing from the Town to Lacombe County. At that time Council requested that Administration request more information from Lacombe County regarding the radio channel that Eckville Public Works currently uses. Lacombe County advises the following:  
 -that both municipalities will retain financial responsibility for the costs of these licenses (50/50 basis)  
 -Lacombe County and Communications Group are doing an audit of all the licenses that the various municipalities have in the County to determine what is needed for fire department purposes and what the costs will be  
 -once it is determined what is needed, the plan is to put everything under one account/license holder being Lacombe Regional Fire  
 -the Town of Eckville can retain its own frequency/license for Public Works, however the radios are no longer used by Public Works since changing over to cell phones
- Res.163/10 Moved by Councillor Krecsy that the request to change the ownership of the Industry Canada licensing from the Town of Eckville to Lacombe County be delayed until information from the audit is provided. Carried.
- 2. Delegations** 2.1 Eckville Agricultural Group  
 Terry Engen, Jon Macrae and Dave Macrae entered the meeting at 7 p.m. to provide Council with an update on the Eckville Agricultural Group, formerly the Eckville Agricultural Society. There has been a change to Agricultural Societies under the Canada Revenue Act and the Eckville Agricultural Group is investigating the benefits of having numerous organizations operating under one board for the purpose of applying for grant funding. The group is in its infancy stage and is still developing its mandate and structure.

Mayor Posti thanked Terry, Jon and Dave for attending the meeting and they left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Rick McKinnon, Public Works Supervisor entered the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Mayor Posti called a recess at 7:29 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:34 p.m.

Eckville Ambulance Service – 2009 Financial Statement  
Res.164/10      5.9      The December 31, 2009 Eckville Municipal Ambulance Audited Financial Statements, for the period of January 1-March 31, 2009 were reviewed by Council.  
  
Moved by Councillor Walker that the 2009 Eckville Municipal Ambulance Audited Financial Statements be approved. Carried.

RV Parking Request  
Res.165/10      5.10      A letter was received from a resident requesting permission to park his RV on the street while his house is being re-sided.  
  
Moved by Councillor Kinley that the request from the resident wanting to park his RV on the street while his house is being re-sided be approved with Administration notifying Lacombe County Enforcement of this request and to also provide the resident with a letter of authorization to post in the window of the RV. Carried.

**6. Bylaws, Policies, Projects**  
Bylaw 698/10 – 2010 Tax Rate Bylaw  
Res.166/10      6.1      Council reviewed Bylaw 698/10, being a Bylaw to authorize the rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property within the Town of Eckville for the 2010 Taxation Year.  
  
Moved by Councillor Krecsy to give Bylaw 698/10 first reading. One opposed. Carried.

Res.167/10      Moved by Councillor Krecsy to give Bylaw 698/10 second reading. One opposed. Carried.

Res.168/10      Moved by Mayor Posti to introduce Bylaw 698/10 for third and final reading. Carried unanimously.

Res.169/10      Moved by Councillor Ebden to give Bylaw 698/10 third and final reading. One opposed. Carried.

**7. Reports**  
Street Maintenance      7.1      **Foreman's Report**  
All the grass that we piled snow on has been swept off and picked up with the sweeper. We then swept the streets again really good and that will be it for the residential area until fall.  
The piles of sweeping that are in a few sites around town will be loaded up and hauled to the lagoon.  
Lift Stations      All has been fine. Therese and I have been quite busy getting things sorted out on the new Lift Stations.  
Garbage      The garbage volumes are going up again because everyone is out cleaning their yards, etc.  
Pumphouse      All is fine.  
Vehicles      The mechanic that is certifying the old garbage truck was away on holidays so he will be looking at the truck soon. Hopefully there isn't too much wrong with it.  
Other      I have not heard anything from Ewaste yet as to when we will be getting our bins for computers and televisions.  
There is lots of compost being dropped off already. We have had some trouble keeping it free of branches and garbage though.  
Conoco wants to put a fence up north of the shop fence to try and stop people from driving through their yard to drop off compost. It is on their property so I don't see any problem with it and it actually will help us out as they will fence the east side of the compost site.

E-Waste Changes      7.2      **Administrator's Report**  
The drop off depot for electronics recycling will be moving to the Town shop. Bins are being set up at the shop where it will be sorted. Lacombe Regional Solid Waste Authority (LRSWA) has done the pick up in the past and it will be changing now where the processor will do a direct pick up from the shop. The electronics recycling service will still be done under LRSWA.  
Councillor Walker and I attended the MLA Roundtable in Wetaskiwin April 16/10. Four MLA's (Cal Dallas, Verlyn Olson, Ray Prins, Diana McQueen) gave presentations followed by a Q and A discussion. Major topics included water for life, recruitment and retention of doctors, health matters, electoral boundaries.

MLA Roundtable –  
Wetaskiwin

Assessment Appeals Deadline	Rate payers have until May 20 to appeal their assessments. To date, very few inquiries have been made. Wild Rose Assessment has talked to about 4 different rate payers who will not likely taking it any further.
Debenture Applications	The borrowing bylaws and information package has been sent to Alberta Capital Finance for their review and approval.
Eckville Recreation Plan Launch	I attended a luncheon on April 19 to celebrate the launch of the Eckville Recreation Plan. This plan was developed by the Eckville Community Development Assn. and the Eckville Recreation Board. A summary report of the plan was given at the luncheon.
FGTF Grant	Alberta Transportation advises that they have submitted the 2009 installment payment under the Federal Gas Tax Fund grant program. Grant amount is \$53,201. The program has been extended to 2013-14. An Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ICSP) must be completed in order to receive FGTF funding for 2010 and beyond.
57 Ave. Construction North Outlet Storm Water Lift Stations/Forced Main Country Lane Meadows	Project advertised. Tenders close May 6, 2010. All easements have been obtained. Tagish Engineering is finalizing the tender package and will then be advertised. Still working on lift station designs, pumps and buildings. Still in the works of obtaining one utility right-of-way agreement. Minimal progress since last meeting. Working with ConocoPhillips to determine whether or not abandoned lines have been removed, exact location of right-of-ways, etc.
Upcoming Mtgs, Seminars	May 6 – Bentley Council April 28 – Grants Re-engineering Session

### 7.3 **Financial Report**

The April 26, 2010 Accounts Payable Report was reviewed.

Res.170/10 Moved by Councillor Walker that the Foreman’s, Administrator’s and Financial reports be received for information. Carried.

## 8. **Committee, Board Reports**

8.1

Mayor Posti

March 24 – PCPS Meeting  
March 31 – Red Deer Ronald McDonald House Sod Turning  
April 6 – Paralympic Salute  
April 7 – Lacombe Foundation meeting  
April 8 – Mock Interviews – Eckville High School  
April 12-14 – Planning Conference, Red Deer  
April 20 – Volunteer Recognition, Eckville Manor House  
April 21 – Heritage Fair, Eckville High School  
April 22 – Volunteer Recognition, FCSS  
April 22 – Rocky Mountain House Constituency meeting

Councillor van Boeschoten

April 14 – CAEP’s Regional Transportation Strategy session

Councillor Walker

March 22 – Lacombe Foundation meeting  
April 1 – Chamber of Commerce meeting  
April 16 – CAEP – MLA Roundtable  
April 20 – Red Deer River Watershed Alliance meeting

Res.171/10

Moved by Councillor Walker that the Committee and Board Reports be received for information. Carried.

Press left the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

## 9. **Correspondence, Information Items**

2010 Minister’s Awards for Municipal Excellence 9.1

Correspondence was received from the Minister of Municipal Affairs announcing the 2010 Minister’s Awards for Municipal Excellence. The ninth annual awards will recognize municipal government excellence and promote the sharing of knowledge among municipalities.

FCM Members Advisory – New Regulations to Govern Municipal Wastewater Facilities 9.2

The federal government has proposed new regulations to govern municipal wastewater facilities. The proposed regulations have been published without any national funding strategy meaning the cost of meeting the new obligations would be imposed on municipal taxpayers. Municipalities are invited to contact the FCM with questions or concerns regarding the new regulations.

Wolf Creek Public 9.3

Wolf Creek Public Schools undertook an extensive review to examine its priorities

Schools Media Release – School Year Calendar		and identify potential ways to respond to financial pressures while maintaining high quality learning environments for all learners. One proposal was a modified school year calendar, however after careful deliberations it was decided not to adopt it. Instead schools would be asked to align the differentiated days that currently exist with the remainder of the school division which would allow for greater inter-school collaboration and reduce the need for substitute teacher time for divisional professional development opportunities.
AUMA/AMSC – Notes to Council	9.4	Updates were provided by AUMA and AMSC.
AUMA Member Notice – Nominations for Municipal Sustainability Awards	9.5	A Member Notice was received from AUMA advising that nominations are being accepted for Municipal Sustainability Awards. Exceptional performance in municipal sustainability planning and implementation will be recognized at the AUMA Convention.
AUMA Member Notice – Electricity Initiatives	9.6	Correspondence was received from AUMA advising that the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) has been directed to gather information on key initiatives to enhance conservation, development of green energy sources and the regulatory process. Reviews will be conducted and the AUC will report back to the Minister of Energy.
Res. 172/10		Moved by Councillor Kinley that the correspondence and information items be received for information. Carried.
<b>10. Seminars, Meetings, Special Events</b>	10.1	Town of Penhold – 2010 Penhold Days Celebration (Parade June 12, 2010)
	10.2	Safe Communities Central Alberta – Luncheon – May 19, 2010
	10.3	Alberta Emergency Management Agency – Central District Workshop: Municipal Emergency Management Program (MEMP) – June 8, 2010. Councillors Ebden and Krecsy to attend.
	10.4	Lacombe Foundation – 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – June 10, 2010. Moved by Councillor Ebden that the Town of Eckville purchase tickets for a table of 8. Carried.
Res.173/10	10.5	Central Alberta College-Community Partnership – May 19, 2010
	10.6	AUMA Member Notice – Elected Officials Municipal Finance Course – May 14, 2010
Res.174/10		Moved by Councillor Kinley that the Seminars, Meetings, and Special Events be received for information and to approve attendance as indicated. Carried.
<b>11. In Camera Land &amp; Development, Lift Stations Project Res.175/10</b>		Moved by Councillor Walker that the meeting moves in camera excluding all persons except Council members, Administrator Kleeberger and Staff Members Rick McKinnon and Susan Norberg to discuss matters relating to land and development. Time: 8:05 p.m. Carried.
Res.176/10		Moved by Councillor Krecsy that the meeting come out of camera and reverts back to the regular meeting. Time: 9:40 p.m. Carried.  Rick McKinnon left the meeting at 9:40 p.m.
Res.177/10		Moved by Councillor Kinley that the meeting moves in camera excluding all persons except Council members, Administrator Kleeberger and Staff Member Susan Norberg to discuss matters relating to land and development. Time: 9:41 p.m. Carried.
Res.178/10		Moved by Councillor Kinley that the meeting come out of camera and reverts back to the regular meeting. Time: 10:08 p.m. Carried.
Res.179/10		Moved by Councillor Humphrey that the meeting extend past 10:00 p.m. Carried.  Mayor Posti called a recess at 10:09 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:12 p.m.
Res.180/10		Moved by Councillor Krecsy that the meeting moves in camera excluding all persons except Council members, Administrator Kleeberger and Staff Member Susan Norberg to discuss matters relating to land and development. Time: 10:12 p.m. Carried.
Res.181/10		Moved by Councillor Krecsy that the meeting come out of camera and reverts back to the regular meeting. Time: 10:20 p.m. Carried.

Res.182/10

Moved by Councillor Krecsy that Administration be authorized to sign the Letter of Intent for the Lift Stations project to accept the quote from Matlock for the construction of the building and from Jeff-Pro for the pumps with a change in the power to 480 and further investigation into the air exchanger is to be completed. Carried.

**12. Committee of the Whole**

- 12.1 Strategic Plan and Implementation Plan. Deferred to May 10, 2010 Council meeting
- 12.2 CAEP Community Investment Readiness (CIR) Project – Phase III. Deferred to May 10, 2010 Council meeting.

**13. Adjournment**  
Res.183/10

- 13.1 Moved by Mayor Posti that the meeting be adjourned. Time: 10:27 p.m. Carried.

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Administrator