



MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FOR BIRCH HILLS COUNTY HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
APRIL 12, 2018

Present: Reeve Gerald Manzulenko
Deputy Reeve Terry Carbone
Councillor Ginette Paradis
Councillor Deanne Wendland
Councillor Paul Reum
Councillor Cheryl Bogdanek
Councillor Denise Joudrey
CAO Hermann Minderlein
Legislative Officer Shawna Schwerdt

Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER: Reeve Manzulenko called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Glenda Farden STARS, Martine Piebiak and Andrea Farrell – Eaglesham Agricultural and District Society, Denise van Rootselaar from the Signal, and Chris Tschetter entered the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA RC18-121 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council adopt the agenda of the April 12, 2018 Regular Council Meeting as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES Regular Council Meeting March 29, 2018 RC18-122 Moved by Deputy Reeve Carbone that Council approve the minutes of the March 29, 2018 Regular Council Meeting as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS Glenda Farnden - STARS Ms. Farnden presented the annual update from STARS to Council, requested a renewal of the annual contribution from the County of \$32,000, and that it be added as separate recurring commitment in the County's Budget. CAO Minderlein advised her that \$32,000 was included in a line of the 2018 Budget that is scheduled for approval at the next Council meeting.

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Dmitri Boychuk and Dave Burake entered the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Reeve Manzulenکو thanked Ms. Farnden for her presentation.

RC18-123 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council accept Glenda Farnden – STARS presentation for information.

CARRIED

**Martine Piebiak –
Eaglesham Agriculture &
District Society**

Ms. Piebiak and Ms. Farrell delivered a presentation focusing on past and present Eaglesham Agricultural Society activities.

Pat Callies and Colleen Irwin entered the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Reeve Manzulenکو thanked Ms. Piebiak and Ms. Farrell for their presentation.

RC18-124 Moved by Councillor Bogdanek that Council accept Martine Piebiak and Andrea Farrell – Eaglesham Agriculture and District Society presentation for information.

CARRIED

Meeting was recessed at 10:15 a.m.

Martine Piebiak, Andrea Farrell and Glenda Farnden exited the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Meeting was resumed at 10:20 a.m.

Dmitri Boychuk

Dmitri Boychuk, Dave Burake, Pat Callies, Colleen Irwin and Chris Tschetter provided Council information referenced during a meeting that Mr. Boychuk and a group of residents had with MLA Marg McCuaig-Boyd on March 16, 2018 regarding the completion of paving Highway 677 and requested that Council pursue such a project with Alberta Transportation.

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Dmitri Boychuk, Dave Burake, Pat Callies, Colleen Irwin and Chris Tschetter exited the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

RC18-125 Moved by Councillor Reum that Council accept the presentation from Dmitri Boychuk, Dave Burake, Pat Callies, Colleen Irwin and Chris Tschetter related to Alberta Secondary Highway 677 for information.

CARRIED

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Reeve Manzulenko

No Report.

Deputy Reeve Carbone

No Report.

Councillor Paradis

Councillor Paradis provided a verbal update to the Birch Hills Library Meeting she attended on April 10th, 2018.

Councillor Wendland

Councillor Wendland provided a verbal update to the written report she provided Council regarding the Peace Valley Conservation Recreation and Tourism Society (PVCRTS) Meeting she attended on April 3rd, 2018 in Fairview.

Councillor Reum

Councillor Reum provided a verbal update to the Central Peace Waste Commission Meeting he attended April 10th, 2018.

Councillor Bogdanek

No Report.

Councillor Joudrey

No Report.

RC18-126 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council accept the Councillor Reports for information.

CARRIED

RC18-127 Moved by Deputy Reeve Carbone that council direct Administration to investigate the status of the Central Peace Waste Commission as it relates to Birch Hills County and bring back the information to a future Regular Council Meeting.

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICER'S REPORTS**

CAO Report

CAO Minderlein provided Council with a verbal update to the written report that had been distributed to Council.

RC18-128 Moved by Councillor Bogdanek that Council receive the CAO's written report and updates as information.

CARRIED

RC18-129 Moved by Councillor Bogdanek that Council authorize the closure of the County Office from 11:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on April 24th, 2018 for a staff appreciation lunch and a presentation by a representative from Lane Quinn regarding the employees' benefits package.

CARRIED

RC18-130 Moved by Councillor Bogdanek that Council direct Administration to research information related to the recognition of individuals and organizations, both voluntary and others, and bring their findings to a future Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

CAO Action Log

Council reviewed the CAO Action Log updated to April 9, 2018 provided in the Agenda Package.

RC18-131 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council receive the CAO Action Log for information.

CARRIED

Meeting was recessed for Lunch at 12:05 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Development Clerk Lucy Stevenson entered the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

BYLAWS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bylaw 2018-01 Road Closure Bylaw

Bylaw 2018-01, a bylaw for the purpose of closing and leasing the whole or a portion of a public roadway was

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returned to Council as directed at the March 29, 2018 Regular Council Meeting.

RC18-132 Moved by Deputy Reeve Carbone that Council remove from the table Bylaw 2018-01, a Road Closure Bylaw.

CARRIED

RC18-133 Moved by Councillor Bogdanek that Council provide 1st reading to Bylaw 2018-01, a Road Closure Bylaw and direct Administration to forward the bylaw to the Minister of Transportation for approval prior to bringing it back to Council for second reading.

CARRIED

Lucy Stevenson exited the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Application for Community Enhancement Grant Funds

Council was provided with a request for \$403.52 in funding under the Community Enhancement Program that was submitted by Mrs. Denise Doran on behalf of the residents of Watino.

RC18-134 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council approve the reimbursement, or the payment of invoices, of an amount not exceeding \$403.52 based on the request submitted by Mrs. Denise Doran on behalf of the residents of Watino as a Community Enhancement Grant for the planting and care of brightly colored annual flowers along the streets of the hamlet of Watino.

CARRIED

Request to Reduce Utility Bill

Council was provided with a letter received from Peter and Cathy Leriger regarding a billing received by them for Water and Sewer account 802010.01 in which they request that the "invoice be lowered considerably."

RC18-135 Moved by Councillor Bogdanek that Council direct Administration to send a letter to Peter and Cathy Leriger that:

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- a. informs them their request for a reduction in cost related to water consumption was not authorized for account 802010.01;
- b. reminds them that it is their responsibility to regularly monitor their property, including the operation of appliances and equipment that could affect the consumption of utilities or the protection of their property; and
- c. offer to allow them to extend the payment due date by ninety days, with no interest charges being applied provided that the account is paid in full by June 30, 2018.

CARRIED

Options re Grader Disposal

Council was provided with information regarding the option to dispose of the current spare grader and were requested to provide direction on how to proceed.

RC18-136 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council accept the information provided and direct staff to exchange the grader attachments between units G30 and G32; and dispose of unit G30 at a public auction in place of unit G32.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

Council was provided with a copy of the following information document that had been supplied by Administration:

- 1. Website Stats for January 1 to March 31, 2018

RC18-137 Moved by Councillor Joudrey that Council accept the items presented for information.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Council was provided with a copy of the following correspondence that had been received or sent by the County:

- 1. Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs re MSI advance
- 2. Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs re Municipal Accountability Program
- 3. Letter to premier Notley re RC17-321
- 4. Invitation – Mackenzie Regional Charity Golf
- 5. Sponsorship Request – Sorrentino’s Compassion House
- 6. Invitation to ACFA AGM

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- 7. Call for Nominations – 2018 BMO Farm Family Awards
- 8. Letter from APWA re National Public Works Week

RC18-138 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council accept the correspondence provided for information.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA

None.

Denise van Rootselaar from the Signal exited the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Being that there was no further business, Reeve Manzulenکو adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

Original Signed by

**GERALD MANZULENKO
REEVE**

Original Signed by

**HERMANN MINDERLEIN
CAO**

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