

BIRCH HILLS COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BIRCH HILLS SERVICE CENTRE

February 9, 2011

The Regular Meeting for Birch Hills County Council was called to order by Reeve, Warren Smith, at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, February 9, 2011, in the Birch Hills Service Centre.

PRESENT

WARREN SMITH

REEVE

MARVIN DORAN

COUNCILLOR

DALE JANZEN

COUNCILLOR

GERALD MANZULENKO

COUNCILLOR

AL FARKASH

COUNCILLOR

ABSENT

DENNIS SATHER

DEPUTY-REEVE

TODD JONES

COUNCILLOR

IRENE COOPER

C.A.O.

DION HYNES

MANAGER OF PUBLIC WORKS

MICHAEL COY

DIR.OF FIELD OPERATIONS

DENISE JOUDREY

RECORDING SECRETARY

DANNY ZAHARA

SIGNAL REPORTER

ROBERT KALLBOM

KALLBOM DELEGATION

RICHARD KALLBOM

KALLBOM DELEGATION

SIGNAL REPORTER

Danny Zahara, Signal Reporter entered the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

Michael Coy and Dion Hynes entered the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 01-02 (02-11)

Moved by Councillor Farkash that the Agenda be adopted with the following additions;

DELEGATION

(A) 10:00 a.m. Kallbom Sand & Gravel Ltd.

NEW BUSINESS

(D) Request from Central Peace Waste Commission to cancel interest on an invoice.

(E) PREDA Funding

COMMITTEE REPORTS

(A) Municipal Library Board

(B) Ag. Service Board

(C) Growing the North

MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 02-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Farkash that the January 11, 2011, Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUDGET
MINUTES**

RESOLUTION NO. 03-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the January 27, 2011, Budget Meeting Minutes be adopted with the amendments being all resolutions be rescinded and amounts cited be considered budget estimates.

CARRIED

**WINDY CREEK
CRUSHING
CONTRACT
101-13217**

Dion Hynes and Michael Coy outlined to Council the problems they have incurred with this contract.

Michael Coy and Dion Hynes entered the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

DELEGATION

Robert Kallbom & Richard Kallbom entered the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

KALLBOM CRUSHING

Robert Kallbom explained to Council the financial situation they are in and the setbacks they have incurred with this contract.

It is their intention to return and complete the project as soon as the frost is out of the ground in the spring and the road bans are lifted.

Robert & Richard Kallbom exited the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Council discussed the situation and the costs that have been incurred by Birch Hills County.

Dion Hynes and Michael Coy re-entered the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

**KALBOM CRUSHING
/CONTINUED**

RESOLUTION NO. 04-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenکو that we hold back \$25 000.00 from the liquidated damages and send a letter explaining Council's decision along with a cheque for the remainder of the liquidated damages.

WITHDRAWN

RESOLUTION NO. 05-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenکو that Birch Hills County hold back \$10 000.00 from the liquidated damages and send a letter explaining Council's decision along with a cheque for the remainder of the liquidated damages.

CARRIED

**STAFF
DELEGATIONS**

PUBLIC WORKS

**WATER HAUL
LIST**

Michael Coy presented the new 2011 Water Haul List for discussion.

Council reviewed and discussed the list making a few small changes. Dion will make the changes and return it to the next Regular Council Meeting.

**FIRE DISCIPLINE
POLICY**

Dion Hynes presented a Discipline Policy developed for Fire Department Members as per Council's request from last meeting.

Council reviewed the Policy and made a few small changes. The policy will be brought back to the March Meeting.

TRAILER

Dion Hynes advised Council that a trailer is required to move the tractor and materials for the water department.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-02(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that a Utility Rainbow Trailer be purchased from Fosters Covered Wagon in Grande Prairie for \$10,089.00.

CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION

**TRACK-HOE
PURCHASE**

Michael Coy gave a power point presentation on the cost analysis of a 270D LC, 329DL size Track Hoe as per Council's request. The total Capital Cost would be \$388,000.00. Based on the information received regarding the cost of purchasing a hoe, hiring an operator and a truck to mobilize the equipment, Council agreed that there will be no further action as they are not prepared to purchase this equipment at this time.

WAPITI GRAVEL

Michael Coy outlined to Council the amount of gravel we can purchase from Wapiti Gravel.

Council reviewed the information and Reeve Smith directed Michael Coy to develop an agreement with Wapiti Gravel and return with the agreement to the next Council Meeting.

**SALE OF GRADER
ATTACHMENTS**

RESOLUTION NO. 07-09(02-11)

Moved by Gerald Manzulenko that the Transportation Department accept the highest bids on the Manual Angle Blade if the bid is over \$6,000.00, the V Plow Lift Group Package if the bid is over \$3,000.00 and the individual V-Plows if the highest bid is over \$2,000.00.

CARRIED

Danny Zahara, Signal Reporter exited the meeting at 11:56 A.M.

12:10 P.M. -

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:10 p.m. and convened at 12:50 p.m.

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Michael Coy and Dion Hynes exited the meeting at 1:30 P.M.

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

**HONORARIUM
POLICY**

Irene Cooper brought forward the changes made to the Honorarium Policy recommended from last meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the payment of honorarium for Library Board Meetings.

**HONORARIUM
POLICY**

RESOLUTION NO. 08-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Janzen that Birch Hills County give \$1 600.00 to the Library Board per year for honorariums.

CARRIED

TRAVEL EXPENSE

Entered under the agenda for consideration and approval was the Travel Expense Policy.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the Travel Expense Policy be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**ATB INVESTMENT
PROPOSAL**

Entered under the agenda for consideration and approval was the ATB Investment Proposal.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that we proceed with the ATB Investment Proposal.

CARRIED

**NEW
BUSINESS**

**REQUEST TO
CANCEL
PENALTIES
TAX ACCOUNTS**

Entered under the agenda for consideration was a letter of January 21, 2011 from Theresa Klassen requesting forgiveness of the 2010 penalty for late payment of taxes.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-09(02-11)

Moved by Councillor Farkash that penalty not be cancelled on property owned by Theresa Klassen.

CARRIED

**AAMDC
CONFERENCE**

Entered under the agenda for discussion and information was an invitation from "K" Division to meet if required at the AAMDC Conference.

**INVITATION
FROM M.D. OF
GREENVIEW**

Entered under the agenda for information was an invitation to meet with the M.D. of Greenview. Council decided after a short discussion that they will talk with the M.D. of Greenview Council at the upcoming zone meeting and decide when to meet.

**CENTRAL PEACE
WASTE COMMISSION
REQUEST**

Tabled to next meeting to gather more information.

FOR INFORMATION

**REYNOLDS MIRTH
RICHARDS &
FARMER**

Entered under the agenda for information was the 16th Annual Northern Municipal Law Seminar on March 11, 2011 in Grande Prairie.

TREASURY

**BANK
RECONCILIATIONS**

Submitted under the Agenda was the January 31, 2011, Bank Reconciliation.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-09(02-11)

**Moved by Councillor Manzulenko to accept the
January 31, 2011 Bank Reconciliation as circulated.**

CARRIED

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

LIBRARY BOARD

Councillor Janzen reported that Pam Poetker is now the Chair of the Birch Hills County Library Board.

The Tangent Librarian has resigned and they are currently looking for a new librarian.

**AG. SERVICE
BOARD**

Councillor Manzulenko reported on an Ag. Service Board Conference he recently attended. He found the conference very well attended and informative.

**GROWING THE
NORTH**

Councillor Janzen report on his attendance at the recent Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie. He highly recommends the conference to anyone who gets a chance to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:19 PM.

REEVE SMITH

COUNTY MANAGER