

BIRCH HILLS COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BIRCH HILLS SERVICE CENTRE

May 12, 2010

The Regular Meeting for Birch Hills County Council was called to order by Reeve, Shirley Emerson, at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, May 12, 2010, in the Birch Hills Service Centre.

PRESENT

SHIRLEY EMERSON	REEVE
DENNIS SATHER	DEPUTY-REEVE
WARREN SMITH	COUNCILLOR
FIONA LOVE	COUNCILLOR
DALE JANZEN	COUNCILLOR
GERALD MANZULENKO	COUNCILLOR
CARMEN LUNN	COUNCILLOR

IRENE COOPER	C.A.O.
DION HYNES	MANAGER OF PUBLIC WORKS
MICHAEL COY	DIR.OF FIELD OPERATIONS
DENISE JOUDREY	RECORDING SECRETARY

DELEGATION

DANNY ZAHARA	SIGNAL REPORTER
JOANNE CAZAKOFF)	EMS TRANSITION
ALAN KUECHLE)	G.P. ROTARY CLUB

AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 01-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenکو to adopt the Agenda with noted additions:

11. (A) Regional Landfill
- (B) Clinic
8. (A) (6) Request for new access road.

CARRIED.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 02-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Lunn to adopt the April 14, 2010, Regular Council Meeting Minutes as circulated.

CARRIED.

Signal Reporter, Danny Zahara entered the meeting at 9:05.

EMS TRANSITION

Joanne Cazakoff from Alberta Health Services entered the meeting at 9:05 a.m. and gave a presentation on the Emergency Services transition and the services that are provide to our area.

Joanne Cazakoff exited the meeting at 9:20.

**G.P.
ROTARY**

Alan Kuechle entered the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Alan Kuechle, of the Grande Prairie Rotary Club gave a presentation on the Rotary Club and the donation of two fire trucks from Birch Hills County that were successfully delivered to Mazatlan, Mexico.

Alan Kuechle exited the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

**BUSINESS
ARISING FROM
THE MINUTES**

FCSS

C.A.O. Cooper updated Council on the Senior Support Program. The Central Peace FCSS Director resigned and they are in the process of filling the position with someone new.

The 2010 grant was decreased by the amount of the surplus from 2009. The funds will be dispersed as usual as outlined in the budget.

**ROAD
ALLOWANCE
LEASE FEES**

C.A.O. Cooper advised that there has been a few complaints regarding the Road Allowance Fee increase. The fees went from \$25.00 to \$35.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12(05-10)

**Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that Bylaw
NO. 01-09 Fee for Services be reviewed at the next
meeting**

CARRIED.

TRANSPORTATION

Dion Hynes & Michael Coy entered the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

**BURNT RIVER
BRIDGE**

Council reviewed the tender results for the removal of the North Burnt River Bridge, BF 73541. 5 tenders were received and ranged from \$148,600.00 to \$457,876.00

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Lunn that the lowest bid from Formula Contractors Ltd. of \$ 148,600.00 for removal of the structure in BF 73541 be accepted.

CARRIED.

**BRIDGE
INVENTORY AND
3 YEAR PLAN**

Submitted under the agenda for information was a 3 year plan for bridge file maintenance. This report has been submitted to Transportation for possible funding for 2011, 2012 and 2013.

**WATER HAUL
CONTRACT**

Submitted under the agenda for discussion and information was the Water Haul Contract and the bids.

**ROADSIDE
MOWING
PROPOSAL**

Dion Hynes advised that he has discussed with the County of Grande Prairie the possibility of having them mow the same 3 miles of road that they currently grade for us.

**FIRE HAZARDS
AND DRY
CONDITIONS**

Submitted under the agenda for information was a short report from Dion Hynes regarding the dry weather conditions. Dion Hynes stressed that no fires should be left to burn without supervision.

**CONTRACT
MOWER**

Council reviewed the bids that were received for the 2010 Roadside Mowing Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Love that we accept the lowest bid from Codesa Construction of \$ 95.00 cost/mile for roadside mowing.

CARRIED.

CROSS WALKS

Dion Hynes reported that Alberta Transportation will not paint cross walks on the Secondary Highways running through the Hamlets.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that if acceptable to Alberta Transportation, Birch Hills County paint crosswalks and post signs in the hamlets.

CARRIED.

**ROAD ACCESS
REQUEST**

Councillor Smith presented a request from Terry Bice for an extension of Range Road 265 between Township Road 782 and Township Road 783 as access to a quarter from the south side.

Discussion took place and it was recommended that Terry Bice submit a written request.

DUST CONTROL

Tabled from last meeting was the application of dust control from Hamlet limits in Wanham to the Viterra office. Viterra does not want to share the cost; consensus of Council was that no dust control be applied.

ROAD TOUR

Council discussed and decided that they would have the Road Tour on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

WATER MEETING

It was suggested that Council have a special meeting to discuss water rates, and other water concerns.

Dion requested that Council advise him what information they would like to review and he will have it compiled for the next meeting.

Dion Hynes and Michael Coy exited the meeting at 11:56.

11:56 P.M. The Meeting adjourned for lunch.

The Signal reporter, Danny Zahara left the meeting at 11:56 a.m.

12:40 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

**G-5
MEETING**

Council decided that the next G-5 meeting that they will be hosting will be on June 17, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the COCO Hall in Wanham.

BYLAW 01-10

Council reviewed Bylaw No. 01-10 appointing Dean Cooper as Designated Officer and Assessor for Birch Hills County.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Lunn that Bylaw 01-10 receive first reading.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Love that Bylaw 01-10 receive second reading.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 9-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that Bylaw No. 01.10 receive permission to be read a third time.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 10-12(05-10)

Moved by Deputy Reeve Sather that Bylaw No. 01-10 receive third and final reading.

CARRIED.

TAX SALE

RESOLUTION NO. 11-12(05-10)

Moved by Deputy Reeve Sather that the 2010 Tax Sale is held on October 4, 2010 and that the terms are a 10% down payment, payable on the day of the sale and the remainder to be paid within 10 days.

CARRIED.

**EAGLESHAM
ATB OFFICE**

RESOLUTION NO. 12-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the rent be negotiated with the new agent at the Eagleham ATB Office taking into consideration the cost of janitorial services.

CARRIED.

**PEACE
AIR SHED ZONE
ASSOCIATION**

Council discussed their membership in the Peace Air Shed Zone Association 2010. Council requested that a representative be asked to attend a future Council meeting.

VSI

Submitted under the Agenda, for information, was a letter from V.S.I. outlining the first quarter report of VSI expenditures for 2010.

FIRE CHARGES

RESOLUTION NO. 13-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Lunn that the unpaid fire charges in the amount of \$1,724.80 be added to Tax Roll No. 059085.

CARRIED.

**ACCOUNTS
RECEIVABLE**

Submitted under the Agenda was a list of outstanding accounts receivables with request to write off the balances.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Love that the accounts as listed on Schedule "A" attached hereto be written off.

CARRIED.

TREASURY

Bank

RECONCILIATIONS

Submitted under the Agenda was the April 2010, Bank Reconciliation.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Lunn to accept the April, 2010 Bank Reconciliation as circulated.

CARRIED

CHEQUE LIST

Submitted under the Agenda was Cheque List: PMPAY 000000152-PMPAY00000155(4); 033010 CHEQUES, 040910 CHEQUES, 041510 CHEQUES, 042710 CHEQUES, A/P 042710, 043010 CHEQUES.

RESOLUTION NO. 016-12(05-10)

Moved by Councillor Love to accept the Cheque Lists as circulated.

CARRIED

BUDGET

VARIANCE

Submitted under the Agenda, for information, was the March 29, 2010, Budget Variance.

C.A.O. REPORT

WCB

CLAIM

CAO Cooper advised that WCB is looking into a hearing loss claim for a previous employee and the County may be responsible for part of the claim. Although there has always been hearing protection available for employees, the County does not have a formal policy. She advised that the Safety Officer will be establishing a policy and will provide Council with information regarding Hearing Tests at a future meeting.

REEVE'S REPORT Reeve Emerson reported on her attendance at a Safety Commission of Canada Nuclear Meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS Councilor Sather reported on the Regional Landfill Meeting as well a Clinic Meeting.

SENIOR'S WEEK **RESOLUTION NO. 17-12(05-10)**

Moved by Councillor Manzulenکو that Birch Hills County declare June 7 - June 13, 2010 as Senior's Week.

CARRIED.

Councilor Manzulenکو exited the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

NEXT MEETING The next Regular Council Meeting was set for 9:00 a.m., June 9, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

**REEVE,
SHIRLEY EMERSON**

**ADMINISTRATOR,
IRENE COOPER**