BIRCH HILLS COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BIRCH HILLS SENIOR CENTRE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

The Regular Meeting for Birch Hills County Council was called to order by Reeve, Warren Smith, at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, September 14, 2011, in the Birch Hills Service Centre.

PRESENT	WARREN SMITH	REEVE
	DALE JANZEN	COUNCILLOR
	TODD JONES	COUNCILLOR
	MARVIN DORAN	COUNCILLOR
	GERALD MANZULENKO	COUNCILLOR
	AL FARKASH	COUNCILLOR
STAFF	IRENE COOPER	C.A.O.
	DENISE JOUDREY	RECORDING SECRETARY
ABSENT	DENNIS SATHER	DEPUTY-REEVE
MEDIA	DANNY ZAHARA	THE SIGNAL
DELEGATIONS	DOUG PLAMPING	DOUGLAS PLAMPING & ASSOCIATES
	MIKE SCHEIDL	MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Danny Zahara, Signal Reporter entered the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14(09-11)

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

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(H) Portelance Drainage

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

(A) CROSS
Shaftsbury Ferry

(B Peace Valley Conversation Recreation & Tourism
Dunvegan Boat Launch

CARRIED.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that the August 10, 2011, Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WASTEWATER LAGOONS

RESOLUTION NO. 03-14(09-11)

Moved by Councilor Jones that Birch Hills County develop a policy to allow the dumping of domestic sewage in only the Wanham lagoon so that in the event of contamination it is confined to this site.

CARRIED.

BRIDGE FILE
FILE # 72958
CONTRACT

RESOLUTION NO. 04-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that this item be accepted for information.

CARRIED.

COUNTY ENTERANCE SIGNS

It has come to our attention that Birch Hills County is not approved through the M.S.I. funding to purchase Birch Hills County signs.

The sign purchase is to be considered in the 2012 Budget.

DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. 05-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that this item be accepted for information.

CARRIED.

Council was advised that the application had been approved.

RAY EMERSON FENCING

Council discussed the details of fencing concerns.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-14(09-11)
Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the item be tabled to next meeting for more information.

CARRIED.

ROADSIDE MOWING COST ANALYSIS

RESOLUTION NO. 07-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Jones that this item be accepted for information.

CARRIED.

APPROACH INSTALL COST ANALYSIS

RESOLUTION NO. 08-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Jones that this item be accepted for information.

CARRIED.

PORTELANCE DRAINAGE DITCH

Councillor Farkash requested that Dion Hynes arrange a site meeting with the affected parties and himself to resolve this issue.

NEW BUSINESS

RENT LOT 1, PLAN 0323515

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that Birch Hills County rent Lot 1, Plan 0323515 for 25.00 an acre. And the offer be advertised in The Signal.

CARRIED.

RIVER BANK EROSION AT WATINO

RESOLUTION NO. 10-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the C.A.O. draft an Emergency Plan to address future flooding of the Smoky River causing erosion at Watino including the provision of the availability of granite to be placed along the bank.

CARRIED.

RIVER BANK EROSION CON'T

RESOLUTION NO. 11-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the C.A.O. provide Council with a draft amendment to the Land Use By-law that would provide for the creation of an Environmental Reserve along the river bank within the Hamlet of Watino that lies within the 1:100 year flood plain and flood fringe.

CARRIED.

BUDGET CALCULATIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 12-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Farkash that Council accept the recommended change to the budget due to formula calculation errors.

CARRIED.

TANGENT REGIONAL WATER INCREASE PIPE COST

RESOLUTION NO. 13-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Jones that Council deny the payment of an additional $12,083.97 for costs associated with price increases on the pipe.

CARRIED.

QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 14-14(09-11)

Moved by Manzulenko that the ATB Quarterly Report be accepted for information.

CARRIED.

LAPP RATES

RESOLUTION NO. 15-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that Birch Hills County Council accept the 2012 LAPP Contribution Rates the 2012 Budget and that consideration be given to a resolution being presented at the spring AAMDC Conference regarding the annual increases.

CARRIED.

AAMDC FALL CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION NO. 16-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that Council meet with Environment at the AAMDC Fall Convention and discuss abandoned service stations, river bank erosion at Watino and the removal of the railway bridge at Watino.

CARRIED.

Participation in OGO Albert Northwest Magazine

RESOLUTION NO. 17-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Janzen that Birch Hills County Participate in the OGO, Alberta Northwest Magazine by Vital Effect Inc. and direct the participation cost of $450.00 be included in the 2012 Operating Budget.

CARRIED.

SCALE TENDER

RESOLUTION NO. 18-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that Birch Hills County accept the $30 000.00 bid from Wanham Trucking.

CARRIED.

RURAL ALBERTA COMMUNITY PHYSICIAN ATTRACTION & RETENTION CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION NO. 19-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Farkash that Councillor Doran attend the 4TH Annual Alberta Community Physician Attraction and Retention Conference on October 26th to 28th, 2011 at the Sawridge Inn, Edmonton South.

CARRIED.

2011 - 2013 ASB Grant Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. 20-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran to receive the 2011-2013 ASB Grant Agreement with Agriculture and Rural Development as information for future budgets.

CARRIED.

Kallbom Sand and Gravel

The CAO informed Council that Kallbom was in receivership.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Jones that Council accept the report dated September 7th, 2011 for information proposes only.

CARRIED.

Ervin Murray Road Extension

RESOLUTION NO. 22-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Jones to receive the report dated September 7, 2011 for information purposes only at this time and decide on a course of action for staff to follow.

CARRIED.

FOR INFORMATION

NORTHERN SUNRISE COUNTY
SITE C HYDRO DAM

Entered under the agenda for information only August 29, 2011 Letter regarding Site C Hydro Dam.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Farkash that Marvin Doran be appointed the representative and that the CAO attend the meeting on October 5, 2011 in Fort St. John on his behalf due to conflicting meetings.

CARRIED.

FOR INFORMATION

DREAMERS LAKE ASSOCIATION REQUEST

Entered under the agenda was a letter dated August 24, 2011 requesting a donation or prize for the Dreamers Lake Association 1st Annual Dreamers Lake Quad Rally.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the County Staff donate an appropriate door prize.

CARRIED.

SQUIRES LETTER OF APPRECIATION

RESOLUTION NO. 25-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Janzen that the letter be accepted as information and an ad be prepared and placed in The Signal recognizing staff for their extra effort during our extreme flooding period this summer.

CARRIED.

TRANSCANADA LANDOWNER SURVEY LETTER

RESOLUTION NO. 26-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that we accept the letter as information.

CARRIED.

EOEP

Entered under the agenda for information was information regarding an Elected Officials Education Program September 19 & 20, 2011 in Olds, Alberta.

RESOLUTION NO. 27-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that Council accept the item as information.

CARRIED.

BANK RECONCILIATION

RESOLUTION NO. 28-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that Council accept the August 31, 2011 Bank Reconciliation for information.

CARRIED.

INFORMATION CON'T

AUGUST 2011 CHECK LIST

RESOLUTION NO. 29-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Jones that Council accept the August 2011 Cheque Lists as information.

CARRIED.

BUDGET VARIANCE

RESOLUTION NO. 30-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Jones that Council accept the Budget Variance as of September 6, 2011 as presented.

CARRIED.

SUMMER AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. 31-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko that the information be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CROSS

Councillor Farkash advised Council that there was no new information to report.

PEACE VALLEY CONSERVATION & TOURISM DUNVEGAN BOAT LAUNCH

Councillor Farkash reported that the Peace Valley Conservation & Tourism Group feel that the Peace Valley - Dunvegan Boat Launch deteriorating.

Personally Councillor Farkash feels the boat launch looks quite nice.

Councillor Farksash also reported that they are looking for new members.

RESOLUTION NO. 32-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that Administration contact the M.D. of Fairview to determine what they require from Birch Hills County regarding the Dunvegan Boat Launch.

CARRIED.

Mike Scheidl from Municipal Affairs entered the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS DELEGATION

RESOLUTION NO. 33-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Manzulenko to add the Municipal Affairs delegation confirmed for noon to the Agenda.

CARRIED.

Danny Zahara, Signal Reporter exited the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Mike Scheidl explained to Council during lunch the Regional Collaboration Program.

Mike Scheidl from Municipal Affairs exited the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

2012 Goals and Objectives

RESOLUTION NO. 34-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that Council approves the 2012 Goals & Objectives.

CARRIED.

Corporate Review, Douglas Plamping & Associates

RESOLUTION NO. 35-14(09-11)

Moved by Councillor Doran that Council receive the Corporate Review from Douglas Plamping & Associates as presented.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Reeve, Warren Smith adjourned the meeting be at 3:25 P.M.

REEVE
WARREN SMITH

CAO
IRENE COOPER