Minutes of a Regular Council Meeting of Clearwater County, Province of Alberta, held December 11, 2012 in the County Office at Rocky Mountain

House.

CALL TO ORDER: The Meeting was called to order at 8:58 A.M. by Reeve Alexander with the

following being present:

Reeve: Pat Alexander Councilors: Earl Graham

Dick Wymenga John Vandermeer Bob Bryant Jim Duncan Case Korver

Municipal Manager: Ron Leaf

Recording Secretary: Christine Heggart

Tracy Haight
Trevor Duley
Darrell Philip
Sarah Maetche
Helge Nome

Media Sarah Maetche Media Helge Nome

AGENDA: Ron Leaf requested addition of an In Camera – legal item and noted that

there is no Public Works Director's report for this meeting.

BOB BRYANT: That the December 11, 2012

Regular Meeting Agenda be accepted as

amended.

**421/12** CARRIED 7/0

CONFIRMATION

OF MINUTES: 1. November 27, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

CASE KORVER: That the Minutes of the November 27,

2012 Regular Meeting be accepted as

presented.

**422/12** CARRIED 7/0

**INFORMATION:** 1. Information Items

Ron Leaf discussed Municipal Government Act review and introduced Tracy

Haight as the new Executive Assistant.

JIM DUNCAN: That Council accepts the

CAO's report, Council Remuneration and the Accounts Payable listings from

December 6, 2012 as information.

**423/12** CARRIED 7/0

## MUNICIPAL: 1. Wetaskiwin Revenue Sharing Agreement

Ron Leaf noted that in addition to the review of the cost sharing agreements with the Town of Rocky Mountain House and Village of Caroline that the County also has a Revenue Sharing Agreement with the County of Wetaskiwin. Mr. Leaf recommended that this agreement should also be reviewed in 2013. Mr. Leaf stated that he notified County of Wetaskiwin that Council intends to continue with a new agreement but that under the terms of the current agreement written notice of termination has to be provided a year in advance, so termination of the agreement will not take effect until December 31, 2013. Ron is to meet with County of Wetaskiwin's CAO, Frank Coutney, to begin drafting a new agreement, which is intended to take effect in 2014.

DICK WYMENGA: That Council authorizes notice of

termination of the current revenue sharing agreement with County of Wetaskiwin

**424/12** CARRIED 7/0

### 3. Parkland Regional Library Survey

Council discussed the annual satisfaction survey received from Parkland Regional Library (PRL). Councilor Graham, indicated he reviewed the survey and submitted the recommended responses.

Councilor Bob Bryant remarked that the PRL provides a very good service at a reasonable cost and noted that Nordegg is also served by PRL.

EARL GRAHAM: That Council directs staff to submit PRL

survey responses as presented.

**425/12** CARRIED 7/0

## 5. Visitor Information Centre Contract

Council discussed a proposed contract renewal for a three party agreement with Clearwater County, Town of Rocky Mountain House and the Rocky Mountain House and District Chamber of Commerce regarding the operation of the local Visitor's Information Centre (VIC). Council noted VIC is managed by the Chamber of Commerce and jointly funded by the Town and County.

Ron Leaf noted that the term of the contract has been changed from a one year term to a two year term.

CASE KORVER: That Council authorize the

Reeve and CAO to sign the

proposed contract.

**426/12** CARRIED 7/0

Mike Haugen joined meeting.

# 2. Open Creek Dam Request

Mike Haugen presented a request from Rimbey Fish and Game Association, which operates the Open Creek Dam campground, for funding to repair Open Creek Dam site as the dam is sloughing off the face into the water with apparent longitudinal cracks. Mr. Haugen stated that prior to 2008 Council

had included funding for Open Creek dam but since then funds have been reallocated. Mr. Haugen also stated that Open Creek Dam campground is facilitated with provisions from the provincial municipal recreation/tourism grant.

Councilor Pat Alexander commented that the campground is very busy and well run with an excellent reputation and will be celebrating their 50 year anniversary.

Councilor Bob Bryant commented that the submitted quote in the amount of \$42,350 was significantly less than the initial estimate and asked if the amount quoted will be enough to do the job. Mr. Haugen stated that as far as they know the amount would be sufficient. Mr. Haugen also stated that Ponoka County has provided the Rimbey Fish and Game Association with \$10,000 funding.

Jenny Oatwell joined meeting.

BOB BRYANT: That Council approves \$10,000.00

funding for the Rimbey Fish and Game Association and that the funding be provided under the 2012 Community and

Protective Services budget

**427/12** CARRIED 7/0

## 4. Nordegg Recreational Concept Plan

Joe Baker and Rick Emmons joined meeting.

Mike Haugen reported on the proposed concept plan for the Nordegg Recreational Area stating that the Bighorn Backcountry committee has recently reviewed and approved of the concept plan.

Councilor Case Korver commented that the plan is an excellent way to promote the Nordegg community and maps and signage for the trail system is important and should be required.

Councilor Bob Bryant commented on the cost of the plan for the county in the way of signage and hopes that a map could be produced to reference trails for motor transport. Councilor Bryant also remarked on the positive feedback from the public on the plan and that Nordegg community is supportive.

Mike Haugen stated that should Council choose to approve the concept plan; Sustainable Resource Development staff has noted that their future enforcement and planning activities will follow the draft plan.

CASE KORVER: That Council approves the proposed

recreation concept for the Nordegg area.

**428/12** CARRIED 7/0

IN CAMERA: 8. IN CAMERA

BOB BRYANT: That Council meets as a Committee of

the Whole for the purpose of discussing land development - Nordegg and land

development. 9:30 A.M.

CARRIED 7/0

Christine Heggert, Tracy Haight, Sarah Maetche, Jenny Oatwell, and Helge Nome left the meeting.

EARL GRAHAM: That the meeting reverts to an Open

Meeting at 10:00 A.M.

**429/12** CARRIED 7/0

Christine Heggert, Tracy Haight, Sarah Maetche, Jenny Oatwell, Helge Nome, Mike Haugen and Pamela Reilander joined the meeting.

#### 6. STARS Delegation

Mike Haugen introduced Pamela Reilander, Development Officer, STARS Foundations.

Ms. Reilander provided an overview of STARS and announced the arrival of a new helicopter on December 14, 2012. Ms. Reilander stated the new helicopter will fly faster and further and has a two patient capacity. She thanked Council for the ongoing support stating that the County plays a significant role in ensuring STARS can meet the demands for emergency air medical services and referred to the STARS 2012 Gift At Work Report. Ms. Reilander formally presented Council with a personalized photo art plaque in recognition and appreciation of Clearwater County's support.

Ms. Reilander responded to several questions from Council and provided statistical information on the STARS service in the West Country area. Reeve Alexander thanked Ms. Reilander for her presentation.

BOB BRYANT: That Council accepts the STARS

presentation as information.

**430/12** CARRIED 7/0

Pamela Reilander left the meeting.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mike Haugen responded to questions from Council regarding the trail around Nordegg noting brushing is still in progress on trails south and east of historical site and that costs are as expected.

Councilor Bob Bryant noted that Westview Lodge has completed the move to the new facility and that demolition of the old facility is complete, however, the lodge has not completed the parking lot with paving or gravel. He stated that control of the building has been signed over and there will be a grand opening in the spring. Councilor Bryant added that the lodge has only one room vacant and that it appears Westview Lodge is only meeting the current demand instead of having some extra capacity for the future.

Councilor Jim Duncan stated the Pow Wow Committee will be meeting at the Sunchild Reserve on Wednesday evening. He noted that the elders will be involved in the planning of the next pow wow. He commented that it will be necessary to tailor the prize money to the amount of donations received so that the pow wow will be attractive to participants thus increasing tourism.

Linzi Risto, Kendra Reap and Gail Laskosky joined the meeting.

## 7. ROAR Delegation

Mike Haugen introduced Linzi Risto, President; Gail Laskosky, Vice President; and Kendra Reap, Volunteer from the ROAR Society. Linzi Risto submitted a handout outlining ROAR Operations Summary

adding that they were requesting funding for the purpose of educating the public as 75% of the stray and abandoned animals come from the county

area. Ms. Risto stated that the society is having difficulties in meeting costs as they do not receive any funding from the government. Kendra Reap noted that the society is recognized provincially as a non-profit organization and that they are in the process of applying for non-profit status from the federal government.

Council asked for further clarification on the ROAR Operations Summary. Linzi Risto and Kendra Reap responded to general questions from Council.

Reeve Alexander thanked the delegation for their information.

BOB BRYANT: That Council accepts the ROAR

delegation as information.

**431/12** CARRIED 7/0

IN CAMERA: 8. IN CAMERA

BOB BRYANT: That Council meets as a Committee of

the Whole for the purpose of discussing land development – Nordegg and land

development. 10:30 am

**432/12** CARRIED 7/0

Christine Heggert, Tracy Haight, Sarah Maetche, Jenny Oatwell, Helge Nome, Linzi Risto, Kendra Reap and the Vice President of ROAR left the meeting.

EARL GRAHAM: That the meeting reverts to an Open

Meeting at 11:55 P.M.

**433/12** CARRIED 7/0

DICK WYMENGA: That the meeting recess for lunch at

11:56 A.M.

**434/12** CARRIED 7/0

The Meeting reconvened at 1:15 P.M. with the same people present as noted at the beginning of the meeting excluding Darrell Philip.

Keith McCrae, Marilyn Sanders, Joe Baker, and Del Ramage joined the meeting.

Reeve Alexander recessed the Council meeting for two Public Hearings at

Reeve Alexander reconvened the Council meeting at 1:53 P.M.

# PLANNING: 1. Bylaw 965/12 – to amend Land Use Bylaw for Nordegg NPI

Council reviewed all information presented at the October 23, 2012 Public Hearing regarding Bylaw 965/12 to amend the Land Use Bylaw for the redesignation of ±3.163 hectares (7.82 acres) from the Agriculture District "A" to the Nordegg Public and Institutional District "NPI" for the purpose of creating separate titled lots for the public services building, lift station and the telecommunication facility.

**SECOND READING** of Bylaw 965/12 for amendment to the Land Use Bylaw was moved by COUNCILLOR GRAHAM

**435/12** CARRIED 7/0

**THIRD READING** of Bylaw 965/12 for amendment to the Land Use Bylaw was moved by COUNCILLOR WYMENGA

**436/12** CARRIED 7/0

## 2. Bylaw 966/12 - to amend Land Use Bylaw Grandview Stage

Council reviewed all information presented at the October 23, 2012 Public Hearing regarding Bylaw 966/12 Application No. 06/12 to amend the Land Use Bylaw For the redesignation of 1.00 acre from the Highway Development District "HD" to the Country Residence District "CR" on land described as Parts of SE 27-38-08-W5M Del Ramage on behalf of 1061814 Alberta Ltd.

(known as Grandview Stage).

**SECOND READING** of Bylaw 966/12 for amendment to the Land Use Bylaw was moved by COUNCILLOR DUNCAN

**437/12** CARRIED 7/0

Council discussed the approach required for the future subdivision of the residential property and noted that Third Reading be delayed until the applicant applies for a variance for the approach and such time that Council receives a recommendation from the Public Works department.

ADJOURNMENT: 1:53 P.M.	BOB BRYANT:	That the Meeting adjourns.
		CARRIED 7/0
	REEVE	MUNICIPAL MANAGER