

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Village of Barons
February 12, 2019**

Present: Ed Weistra, Mayor
Ron Gorzitza, Deputy Mayor
Michelle Tarditi, Councillor
Brian Passmore, Village Foreman
Byron Fraser, Fire Chief

Recording Secretary: Laurie Beck, Administrator

Call to Order: Call to order at 5:54 p.m.

Guests: None

Approval of Agenda: ***Addition:***
New Business e) Town of Coalhurst Bylaw Enforcement Agreement

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to approve the agenda with the additions as presented. Carried

Minutes: To accept the minutes of the January 8, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2019 Regular Council meeting. Carried

Business Arising: **SouthGrow**
Council is being asked for a decision as to whether the Village of Barons will consider re-joining SouthGrow. Discussion was held regarding the merits of joining.

Motion made by Mayor Weistra to not join SouthGrow at this time. Carried

Village Foreman Report: Services were put in on the empty lot on Noble Street. No water breaks reported to date. Replacing the lights in the shop to LED's.

Administrator Report: Would Council be in favor of putting on its own Mock Disaster Exercise? It has been a few years since the Village has put on a mock disaster exercise. There would be the cost of lunch and incidentals that would be not funded by any grant funds. Administrator Beck attended a meeting at ORRSC re Subdivision and Appeal Board. Reminder to Council of the Planning Meeting on February 19th at 10:00 am. Administrator Beck has a meeting with Lethbridge County

at 10:00 am to discuss the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF). The 2019 Assessment is now complete and the assessment notices will be going out at the end of February. Residents will then have 60 days in which to appeal their assessment but not their taxes. Year-end reporting is ongoing.

**Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to host a Mock Disaster Exercise.
Carried**

Correspondence:

- Peter Casurella, SouthGrow
- Ross Bond, Ridge Regional Public Safety Services
- Town of Coalhurst – Bylaw Enforcement Officer
- Alberta Culture and Tourism – Subdivision Historical Resources Act Compliance
- Community Foundation dinner invite
- AUMA registration for spring Municipal Leader’s Caucus

Financial Reports:

Council was presented with the accounts payable and monthly statements for January, 2019.

**Motion made by Mayor Weistra to approve the accounts payable for the month of January, 2019.
Carried**

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to approve the monthly statements for January, 2019.
Carried**

- a) **ORRSC**
No report at this time.
- b) **Fire Department**
Members are getting close to the end of the 1001 course. Another member is on their practicum for the EMT. Calls have been busier than last year. To date, one fire was attended to. The AFFRCS system is now considered capable. Pagers were reprogrammed last night.
- c) **Green Acres**
Attended the new board member orientation meeting. There is no meeting in February. A conference will be held in Victoria.
- d) **CFLR (Community Futures Lethbridge Region)**
Attended a training session where Randy Colbert from MMP spoke about bankruptcy. This was very informative. Stirling has hired a new CAO and CFLR had a roundtable with them.

- e) **FCSS (Family Community and Social Services)**
No report at this time. The meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month – meeting starts at 4:00 pm. Mayor Weistra will sit on this committee. Administrator Beck will send a letter to reflect the change.
- f) **Mayors and Reeves**
MLA Pat Stier is retiring from politics. There are approximately 90,000 abandoned wells in this part of the country. The Alberta government is requiring all companies must reclaim the lands where the wells sit. Discussion was held re power charging stations. Clean Lakes made a presentation to the Mayors and Reeves regarding invasive species. Oldman River Water Council spoke about zero landscaping.
- g) **Subdivision Appeal Board**
No report at this time.
- h) **Chinook Arch Library System**
No report at this time.
- i) **AG Society**
No report at this time.
- j) **Emergency Advisory Committee**
No report at this time.
- k) **Carmangay Library**
No report at this time.

New Business:

- a) **Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Agreement**
An agreement was presented to Council for their consideration. The cost will be \$500.00 yearly.

Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to sign the Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision Appeal Board Agreement. Carried

- b) **Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Bylaw #712**
Council was presented with Bylaw #712 for their consideration.

Motion made by Mayor Weistra to read Bylaw #712 the first time, this 12th day of February, 2019.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to read Bylaw #712 the second time this 12th day of February, 2019. Carried

And by unanimous consent of Council

Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to read Bylaw #712 the third and final time and finally passed this 12th day of February, 2019. Carried

- c) **Nobleford Conveyance Rates**
Nobleford has determined that rates will be going up in 2019 from \$1.40 per cubic meter to \$1.55 per cubic meeting. The last time there was any rate increase was in 2016. Council was also asked if they would consider a recycling fee at this time.

Motion made by Mayor Weistra to have Administrator Beck bring to the March Council meeting, a new bylaw with the changes to the water rates and to add a nominal recycling fee within the bylaw. Carried

- d) **Bylaw #713 – Establish a Municipal Planning Commission**
Council was presented with Bylaw #713 for their consideration.

Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to read Bylaw #713 the first time, this 12th day of February, 2019. Carried

Motion made by Mayor Weistra to read Bylaw #713 the second time, this 12th day of February, 2019. Carried

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to read Bylaw #713 the third and final time and finally passed this 12th day of February, 2019. Carried

- e) **Town of Coalhurst Bylaw Enforcement Agreement**
Council was presented with the Town of Coalhurst Bylaw Enforcement Agreement for their consideration.

Motion made by Mayor Weistra to sign the Town of Coalhurst Enforcement Agreement. Carried

Executive Session:

None

Adjournment: Adjournment of the meeting was at 7:02 p.m.

Mayor – Ed Weistra

Administrator – Laurie Beck