

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
of the Village of Barons  
June 11, 2019**

***Present:*** Ed Weistra, Mayor  
Ron Gorzitza, Deputy Mayor  
Michelle Tarditi, Councillor via teleconference  
Brian Passmore, Village Foreman

***Absent:*** Byron Fraser, Fire Chief

***Recording Secretary:*** Laurie Beck, Administrator

***Call to Order:*** Call to order at 5:58 p.m.

***Guests:*** **Zakk Morrison, FCSS**  
Thanked council for being able to provide an overview of the programs offered by FCSS. Staff members Susie Peters and Tim Krahn accompanied him. Council was presented with a handout that contained a couple of slides. The services offered by FCSS are mandated by legislation. There is a new website for FCSS and there is a lot of useful information available for residents.

***Approval of Agenda:*** **Addition: New Business:**  
e) Trees

**Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to approve the agenda with the addition as presented. Carried**

***Minutes:*** To accept the minutes of the May 14, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to accept the minutes of the May 14, 2019 Regular Council meeting. Carried**

To accept the minutes of the May 23, 2019 Special Council meeting.

**Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to accept the minutes of the May 23, 2019 Special Council meeting. Carried**

***Village Foreman Report:*** Spoke with contractor and he is hoping to gravel and grade the roads within the next week. Spent time repairing the valve on King Street. Also had to fix a couple of curb stops. Mowing, etc. is ongoing. New tires were purchased for the village truck.

**Administrator Report:** Tax notices went out May 30, 2019. Sent another letter to the owner of the hotel requesting immediate attention to his properties. The new yard waste bin is being utilized by many. Public Works have been instructed to call them for pick up. Mayor Weistra and Administrator Beck had a meeting with the RCMP regarding services. Because the Village does not currently have bylaw enforcement, Administrator Beck has been sending out letters to residents – mostly for grass and weeds.

**Correspondence:**

- FortisAlberta – Tree Planting Grant Program
- Carmangay Horticultural Association – Annual Parade
- RCMP – Commanding Officer to attend AUMA Convention
- Diane Horvath – Subdivision Appeal Board Stats
- AHS – Former Barons Hotel Site

**Financial Reports:** Council was presented with the accounts payable and monthly statements for May, 2019.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to approve the accounts payable for the months of May, 2019. Carried**

**Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to approve the monthly statements for May, 2019. Carried**

**Committee Reports:**

- a) **ORRSC**  
Barbeque was attended. Spoke about the Subdivision Appeal Board and the Storybook from the GIS. Annual report was presented.
- b) **Fire Department**  
The 1001 course is finished. Awaiting test results. Pretty quiet. Hazmat training has been completed. Working on the agreement with the City of Lethbridge in order to use their training tower.
- c) **Green Acres**  
Retreat is this weekend. Still upgrading the policies and bylaws.
- d) **CFLR (Community Futures Lethbridge Region)**  
Cleaned up a couple of loans. There have been some businesses that have expanded and are doing very well. Still working on the processes to meet the new provincial government standards.

- e) **FCSS (Family Community and Social Services)**  
Strategic plan is being developed. Would like to use a specified phone line such as \*211, which would be coordinated. This would be used for the public for general information. A new filing system is being implemented.
- f) **Mayors and Reeves**  
MLA's were speaking of the carbon reduction. Introducing a new bill called Bill #7. SouthGrow's AGM is at Claresholm. Highway 3 committee spoke about progress.
- g) **Chinook Arch Library System**  
Both the Deputy Mayor and Mayor attended. A tour of the facility was given.
- h) **AG Society**  
No report at this time.
- i) **Emergency Advisory Committee**  
No report at this time.
- j) **Carmangay Library**  
Had a couple of workshops and quite a few courses up coming. A new fund raising group has been formed to bring in new materials, etc.

*New Business:*

- a) **Bylaw #716 – Council Procedural Bylaw**  
Council was presented with the updated Council Procedural Bylaw for their consideration.

**Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to read Bylaw #716 a first time, this 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2019. Carried**

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to read Bylaw #716 a second time, this 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2019. Carried**

**And by unanimous consent of council**

**Motion made by Mayor Weistra to read Bylaw #716 a third and final time and finally passed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019. Carried**

- b) **Recreation Track for Bikes, etc.**  
Information was provided to council regarding the vision. A drawing was submitted along with the request, to provide the vision of this track.

**Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to approve a recreational track at the subdivision site on the east side of the school as**

**presented. This will only be used for bicycles and remote controlled vehicles. Carried**

**c) Summer Council Meeting Dates**

As in previous years, Council was asked to consider the necessity of having regular Council meetings in the summer. This would also include having no newsletter for these months.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to not have any Council meetings or newsletters in July or August unless some emergent issues arise, that a special meeting of Council will be called. Carried**

**d) Administrator Vacation Request**

Administrator Beck would like to take vacation from June 26 – July 12, 2019

**Motion made by Mayor Weistra to approve Administrator’s vacation request. Carried**

**e) Trees**

Some boulevard trees have been identified as needing to be removed due to age or disease.

**Motion made by Councillor Tarditi to remove identified boulevard trees and to approve the pruning of the trees on Railway Avenue. Carried**

*Executive Session:* None

*Adjournment:* Adjournment of the meeting was at 7:36 p.m.

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Mayor – Ed Weistra

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Administrator – Laurie Beck