

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

The regular meeting of Council of the Town of Balgonie was held in the Balgonie Administration Building, Balgonie, Saskatchewan on Monday, September 14, 2015.

PRESENT:

Mayor Thauberger, Councillors, Lovelace, Kiel, Solie, Wagman, and Wagner, S.McBain, Superintendent, V. Hubbard, Administrator, D.Lane, Assistant Administrator and K.Craigie, Office Assistant.

ABSENT:

Councillor Lapchuk.

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present Mayor Thauberger called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

AGENDA:

361/2015 **LOVELACE/WAGMAN** that the agenda be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT:

There were no declarations made.

MINUTES:

362/2015 **KIEL/SOLIE** that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 17, 2015 be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

363/2015 **WAGMAN/LOVELACE** that the minutes of the special meeting of August 31, 2015 be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

364/2015 **SOLIE/WAGMAN** at the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of August, 2015 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

365/2015 **WAGNER/LOVELACE** that the Bank Reconciliation Statements for the month of August, 2015 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

ACCOUNTS:

366/2015 **KIEL/SOLIE** that the List of Accounts for Ratification #2015-00074, 2015-00076 and 2015-00078 totaling \$184,226.44 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

367/2015 **WAGMAN/WAGNER** that the List of Payroll Accounts for Ratification for August 31, 2015 and September 15, 2015 totaling \$48,629.37 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

368/2015 **SOLIE/LOVELACE** that the List of Accounts for Approval #2015-00080 totaling \$473,235.53 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

TOWN SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

S.McBain, Town Superintendent, report:

- Elview farms water connection.
- Beer gardens at Sportsgrounds.
- Paving repairs are complete.
- Gravel required for grid road by cemetery.
- Lagoon topsoil for P.Stengler.
- Quote for Hwy # 1 company to do T-stub at Herauf St.
- Prairie Valley School Division proposal for Greenall Highschool grounds maintenance.
- Hall generator in full operation.
- Costs to contract moving the top soil-\$1,200/hour.
- List of non-completed work assigned by Council for summer months has been reissued to Town Foreman.
- Additional purchase of a bench for 2016.
- Westview grid road- speed reduction.
- Balgonie Curling rink accessibility.
- Stick and puck ice times at Arena.

369/2015 **WAGNER/KIEL** that the Blues Bros. Hockey Club be authorized to obtain a Community Event Permit to hold a beer gardens, during a ball tournament at the Balgonie Sportsgrounds, being held September 11, 12 and 13, 2015, be ratified.

CARRIED.

370/2015 **LOVELACE/WAGMAN** that the Regina Blue Jays Slow Pitch be authorized to obtain a Community Event Permit to hold a beer gardens, during a ball tournament at the Balgonie Sportsgrounds, being held September 4, 5 and 6, 2015, be ratified.

CARRIED.

371/2015 **WAGNER/KIEL** that the Town hire Highway #1 to install a T-stub at the south end of Herauf Street at the quoted cost of \$13,500.

CARRIED.

372/2015 **WAGNER/LOVELACE** that the draft proposal letter to the Prairie Valley School Division is approved with the change to include “approximately 5 hours per week”.

CARRIED.

373/2015 **KIEL/SOLIE** that S.McBain, Superintendent be authorized to get a quotation for the Cenotaph design and construction.

CARRIED.

374/2015 **WAGNER/SOLIE** that V.Hubbard, Administrator, be authorized to prepare an amendment to the Traffic Bylaw No. 178 to allow for a permitted speed of 80 kilometres per hour on the Westview grid from the Highway 46, to Herauf Street.

CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

V.Hubbard, Administrator, discussed:

- C. Francis - .50/hr. increase for providing training.
- Request to remove 1991 interests on the Stage 7 titles for municipal reserve dedication (Greenall Park).
- Refundable Building Permit Deposit – Commercial rate discussion Elevation levels in Westview Stage 7.
- Hourly rates of pay and salary pay for maintenance workers.
- Sask Alert Training.
- Provincial Disaster Assistance Program.

375/2015 **KIEL/WAGMAN** that C.Francis be given \$.50 per hour wage increase for having a pool operations certificate and for provision of training, effective September 1, 2015.

CARRIED.

376/2015 **LOVELACE/WAGNER** that the request from Community Planning to remove the interests for municipal reserve dedication registered in 1991 on the Westview Subdivision land titles be approved.
CARRIED.

377/2015 **WAGNER/KIEL** that a bylaw be prepared to increase the refundable building permit deposit to \$3,000.00 for commercial builds.
CARRIED.

378/2015 **KIEL/WAGNER** that the payroll for maintenance staff be paid on a salary basis effective January 1, 2016.
CARRIED.

379/2015 **WAGMAN/KIEL** that D.Lane, Assistant Administrator and S.McBain, Superintendent be approved to receive time at a rate of one and one half (1 ½) hours for the Sask Alert Training on September 18, 2015 for time spent beyond regular working hours.
CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

380/2015 **KIEL/LOVELACE** that the correspondence listed on the agenda that forms part of these minutes having been read and acknowledged now be filed.
CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

381/2014 **SOLIE/WAGMAN** that V.Hubbard, Treasurer, be authorized to sign the 2014 List of Lands in Arrears, in duplicate.
CARRIED.

382/2014 **WAGNER/KIEL** that the arrears equal to or less than half the previous year's levy be deleted from the 2014 List of Lands in Arrears.
CARRIED.

383/2014 **LOVELACE/WAGMAN** that the Town proceed with Tax Enforcement on the properties listed on the List of Lands in Arrears that forms part of these minutes.
CARRIED.

384/2014 **KIEL/SOLIE** that the Tax Enforcement List be advertised in the Star News.
CARRIED.

385/2015 **WAGNER/LOVELACE** that the actions of V.Hubbard to send a letter regarding dog control to #1 – 33 Qu'Appelle Crescent, be ratified.
CARRIED.

386/2015 **SOLIE/WAGNER** that a letter of response be sent to C.Poelzer, 21 Wagman Bay, authorizing the reimbursement for the fence slat which was damaged from a lawn mower.
CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS:

387/2015 **WAGMAN/SOLIE** that the requests from R.Wiest, Westview Holdings Ltd. that the Servicing Agreement Section 1, Subsection 1.1 g. requirement that the mid-point of the side lot lines be shown on a real property report be removed and that the mid-point elevations of the side lot lines for Westview Stage 7 be removed from the lot grade elevation plan are approved;
and
that a larger lot grade elevation plan be requested from R.Wiest.
CARRIED.

388/2015 **LOVELACE/WAGNER** that the request from Westview Holdings that the Town permit the property owners on Lots 1 to 7, Block 36, Plan 102100138 Westview Dr. N. to extend their fencing to the acreage fence and eliminate the maintenance of Municipal Buffer 4, be denied.

CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councillor Wagner attended the White Butte Regional Fire Commission Meeting. He reported on the request from the commission to purchase a ladder truck. There were different cost sharing approaches discussed in regard to the potential purchase.

389/2015 **LOVELACE/KIEL** that the Town of Balgonie denies support for the White Butte Fire Commission proposal that a ladder truck be purchased at a cost of \$45,000.00 for the following reasons:

- Balgonie has no high rise buildings;
- Balgonie is adequately covered by the fire trucks currently existing in our fleet;
- the Town is able to request service of a ladder truck from the City of Regina Fire Department; and,
- the response time from the City of Regina Fire Department to Balgonie with a ladder truck is adequate.

CARRIED.

Councillor Lovelace reported that an R.C.M.P. Liaison would be starting with Greenall School.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Discussion was held regarding the October meeting dates. The regular meeting date of October 12th will be moved to October 15th due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

390/2015 **LOVELACE/WAGNER** that the actions to take disciplinary action to suspend S.Hehir for one week without pay, be ratified and that the reasons for the suspension are:

1. S.Hehir, while administering his Facebook page, Balgonie, SK, which is not sanctioned or endorsed by the Town of Balgonie:
 - Publicly embarrassed the Town of Balgonie;
 - Posted provoking comments about the Town of Balgonie Bylaws;
 - Invited input to assess public satisfaction with the Maintenance Department without Council approval or knowledge;
2. and, while posting comments identifying himself:
 - Defamed the Town of Balgonie by placing doubt in the minds of residents regarding the quality of the water and water distribution system knowing the Town complies with testing requirements.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

391/2015 **KIEL/WAGNER** that the meeting be adjourned. 9:05 p.m.

CARRIED.

Mayor

Administrator