

**FEBRUARY 10, 2014**

The regular meeting of Council of the Town of Balgonie was held in the Administration Building, Balgonie, Saskatchewan on Monday, February 10, 2014.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Thauberger, Councillors Kiel, Lovelace, and Wagman, S.McBain, Town Superintendent, D.Lane, Assistant Administrator, V.Hubbard, Administrator and S.Hehir, Maintenance Personnel.

**ABSENT:**

Councillors Lapchuk, Solie and Wagner.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**AGENDA:**

**064/2014**      **LOVELACE/WAGMAN** that the amended agenda be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

**MINUTES:**

**065/2014**      **KIEL/WAGMAN** that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 27, 2014 be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

**ACCOUNTS:**

**066/2014**      **WAGMAN/KIEL** that the List of Accounts for Ratification totaling \$64,621.28 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

**067/2014**      **WAGMAN/LOVELACE** that the List of Accounts for Approval totaling \$499,302.87 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:**

**068/2014**      **KIEL/LOVELACE** that the Statement of Financial Activities for December 31, 2013 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

**069/2014**      **LOVELACE/WAGMAN** that the Bank Reconciliation Statements for December 31, 2013 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

**DELEGATION:**

6:30 p.m. – S. Hehir

S.Hehir discussed the policy for staff members using Town equipment for certain jobs. He indicated that he used the skidsteer for approximately 7 minutes to clear his own personal driveway while he was working on-call and had received approval from T.Morris, Town Foreman, prior to doing so. Council explained the policy to Mr. Hehir and he will pay the invoice he received for the use of the skidsteer.

6:45 p.m. – W.Kiel

Mr. Kiel met with Council to discuss the New Horizons for Senior's Program Grant which the Balgonie Senior's Club received in the amount of \$11,800.00. The Grant

is a federal grant and contribution program that supports projects led or inspired by seniors who want to make a difference in the lives of others and in their communities. Through calls for proposals, the NHSP (New Horizon's for Seniors Program) funds projects that address one or more program objectives such as promoting volunteering, mentoring others, expanding the awareness of elder abuse, social participation and inclusion of seniors and capital assistance for new and existing community projects. The monies that the Balgonie Seniors' Club receives, will be spent on programming, a big screen television with cabinetry to protect it and new computer equipment.

Mr. Kiel also discussed the Seniors' Centre parking lot and what the options are to provide more parking spaces for the Balgonie Elementary School teachers and the Senior Club members. S.McBain, Town Superintendent, and W.Kiel will discuss some options in the spring of 2014.

**TOWN SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Town Superintendent, S.McBain discussed:

The water project and the programming safeties for the Balgonie pumps in the Pilot Butte treatment plant.

The water project progress – pre-start will probably be Feb.24/14. Reservoir is full and we are waiting for the bacteriological sample results to arrive.

Regina and Region Water and Wastewater Study.

Tree trimming on the 300 block of Queen St.

**070/2014** **KIEL/WAGMAN** that M.Kohut be hired to trim the elm trees located at 325 Queen Street and any other elm trees along that block that require maintenance.

**CARRIED.**

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

V.Hubbard, Administrator, discussed:

Mr. Stengler accepted the Town's offer to purchase land.

The lagoon subdivision application - distributed the map to Council.

B.Kaytor was off sick for a few days; the office received his Dr.'s note.

The R.M. of Edenwold is considering purchasing a Smart Board for the Council Chambers. The R.M. is obtaining a cost for this technology.

V.Hubbard indicated that AECOM, Walker Projects and KGS are submitting proposals to prepare the proposed lagoon expansion report. The report needs to be finalized for the grant application deadline.

**071/2014** **LOVELACE/KIEL** that the lagoon subdivision application be signed and then sent to G.Dowling, Solicitor, so that he can send it to Mr. Stengler's Solicitor.

**CARRIED.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**072/2014** **WAGMAN/KIEL** that the correspondence listed on the agenda that forms part of these minutes having been read and acknowledged now be filed.

**CARRIED.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**073/2014** **KIEL/LOVELACE** that authorization be given to Praxis Consulting to perform a Regional Recreation Concept Plan Assessment for the White Butte Recreation Sub-Committee at a cost of \$1,200.00 for the Town's portion of the assessment report cost.

**CARRIED.**

**074/2014** **WAGMAN/KIEL** that the 2014 members for the Balgonie Public Library Board be appointed:

Melissa Marley - Chairperson

Jeannette Selinger - Treasurer

Denise Seminuk - Rec. Board Liaison

Judith Emmons - Secretary/Librarian  
Lynette Berube - School Community Council/Library Rep.  
Janet Wagman - Town of Balgonie Liaison  
Mike Kirby - Member at Large;

and that a letter be written to the Balgonie Branch Library Board indicating their \$2,500.00 budget request will be considered in the 2014 Town of Balgonie's budget.

**CARRIED.**

**075/2014**      **LOVELACE/WAGMAN** that the request from the Balgonie Swimming Pool for the annual \$5,000.00 operating grant be considered in the 2014 Town of Balgonie's budget; and,  
that a letter be written to the Balgonie Swimming Pool Board indicating the same.

**CARRIED.**

**076/2014**      **KIEL/WAGMAN** that a letter be written to the Town of Assiniboia, in response to their request for a reference check for AECOM, indicating the Town's infrastructure project completion date is March/2014 and therefore a project evaluation will be done after project completion; and,  
that since our water project evaluation remains incomplete, the Town is unable to provide any information at this time.

**CARRIED.**

**077/2014**      **KIEL/WAGMAN** that the letter from Owen and Lanna Middleton, requesting the Town authorize the proposed commercial development to connect to the Town's sewage system and the earliest possible date to do so, be postponed to the next regular meeting of Council of February 24, 2014.

**CARRIED.**

**078/2014**      **WAGMAN/KIEL** that Mayor Thauberger and V.Hubbard, Administrator be authorized to sign Debenture #1 and the coupons for the purpose of borrowing the sum of Two Million Four Hundred and Sixty Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty-Five Dollars (\$2,460,235.00) for the Water System Upgrade.

**CARRIED.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Mayor Thauberger indicated that he will not be available for the White Butte meeting on February 26, 2014. Councillor Wagman will attend in his place.

Mayor Thauberger also indicated that he would not be available for the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts Lord Baden-Powells's supper. Council members will check their schedules to see if anyone is able to attend.

**079/2014**      **KIEL/LOVELACE** that "No Smoking" signs be placed at the Town of Balgonie Fire Hall.

**CARRIED.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**080/2014**      **WAGMAN/LOVELACE** that the meeting be adjourned. 8:21 P.M.

**CARRIED.**

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**Mayor**

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**Administrator**