

**MARCH 25, 2013**

The regular meeting of Council of the Town of Balgonie was held in the Administration Building, Balgonie, Saskatchewan on Monday, March 25, 2013.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Thauberger, Councillors Kiel, Lapchuk, Lovelace, Solie, Wagman, S.McBain, Town Superintendent, D.Lane, Assistant Administrator and V.Hubbard, Administrator.

**ABSENT:**

Councillor Wagner.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A quorum being present Mayor Thauberger called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

**AGENDA:**

**127/2013**      **SOLIE/LOVELACE** that the agenda be approved as circulated.      **CARRIED.**

**MINUTES:**

**128/2013**      **KIEL/WAGMAN** that the minutes of the regular meeting of March 11, 2013 be approved as circulated.      **CARRIED.**

**ACCOUNTS:**

**129/2013**      **LAPCHUK/LOVELACE** that the List of Accounts for Ratification totaling \$10,466.83 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated.      **CARRIED.**

**130/2013**      **SOLIE/WAGMAN** that the List of Accounts for Approval totaling \$14,456.23 and forming part of these minutes be approved as circulated.      **CARRIED.**

**TOWN SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Town Superintendent, S.McBain, discussed:  
B.Kaytor's probation review.  
Hiring of summer students.

**131/2013**      **LAPCHUK/KIEL** that a letter be sent to B.Kaytor indicating that he has passed his probation period with the Town of Balgonie and his employment will continue.      **CARRIED.**

**132/2013**      **LAPCHUK/LOVELACE** that two students be hired for the Town for the Canada Summer Jobs program at \$13.00/hour per student; and that one Instructor/Manager be hired for the Balgonie Swimming Pool for the Canada Summer Jobs program at a rate of \$17.90/hour.      **CARRIED.**

**DELEGATION:**

**6:30 P.M.** – W.Kiel, K.Bakken – Attended the meeting to thank Council for the Town's generous support for the 2013 curling event. They commended the Town staff for their assistance before and during the event. They also advised Council that Balgonie has an excellent volunteer base and events such as these benefit from this asset.

**6:45 P.M.** – K.Cunningham, D.Schick, C.Dew – 30 Qu'Appelle Cr.  
D.Schick, spokesperson for the group, advised Council that the group feels the sewer line servicing their apartment condominiums was installed incorrectly and believe the Town should financially assist the condominium association with repairing the sagged line. The line has a sag in it approximately 12'-16' in length at 26 Qu'Appelle Cr. They have to get the line cleaned once a year to prevent sewer backups This is the second time they have come to Council requesting assistance. The condominium association has not contacted the new owners of the duplex at 26 Qu'Appelle Cr. (between the four-plex and the tri-plex). Council advised the association that they would discuss the request. The group left Chambers at 6:58 p.m.

S.McBain, Town Superintendent, indicated that if the sewer line were to be replaced, the 90° angles in the sewer line going through 22 Qu'Appelle Cr. (the triplex) property should be replaced to straighten the line to the sewer main located in Qu'Appelle Cr. and an additional cleanout should be placed on the line located on the 26 Qu'Appelle Cr. (duplex) property. There would be three cleanouts in total; one behind the four-plex, one behind the duplex and one behind the tri-plex. We would need permission from all of the condo owners to proceed with the repair as the sewer line is located on their private properties.

**133/2013** **LAPCHUK/WAGMAN** that S.McBain get price quotes that include materials and labour to repair the sewer line located on 22 Qu'Appelle Cr., 26 Qu'Appelle Cr. and 30 Qu'Appelle Cr. and the price quote should be segmented for each property; and  
that Council will review the price quote to determine the action to be taken.

**CARRIED.**

**TOWN SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (CONT'D):**

Lift station repair update.  
Incident on March 15, 2013 between town employee and a resident.  
Exterminator required for the hall.  
Western Diversification – pool grant denied.  
#1 & #2 – 26 Qu'Appelle Crescent – issues resolved.  
Balgonie Arena – Public Health – General Sanitation Report.  
A.Matt meeting to purchase land.  
Flood seminar in Fort Qu'Appelle.

**134/2013** **SOLIE/LOVELACE** that a letter be sent to the resident indicating that we have had an unusually heavy year for snow fall and snow ridges left in residents' driveways are inevitable; and,  
that abuse of our town employees will not be tolerated.

**CARRIED.**

**135/2013** **WAGMAN/LAPCHUK** that an exterminator be hired to provide ant control in the Balgonie Multiplex Community Hall.

**CARRIED.**

Mayor Thauberger left Chambers due to a conflict of interest. 7:25 p.m.

S.McBain, Town Superintendent, discussed the meeting he attended with Councillors Kiel, Wagman and Wagner and A.Matt regarding the purchase of approximately ½ acre (175.67 m x 9.76 m) of land from A.Matt, to be used for the proposed legal access to the Town's lagoon site.

**136/2013**      **WAGMAN/LAPCHUK** that A.Matt be offered \$2,000.00 for approximately one half acre of land with the demensions of 175.67 m x 9.76 m for the purpose of owning a legal access to the Town's lagoon site; and that the Town pay for all of the expenses associated with the survey, purchase and title transfer.

**CARRIED.**

Mayor Thauberger returned to Council Chambers. 7:29 p.m.

**137/2013**      **LAPCHUK/WAGMAN** that the meeting recess. 7:51 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

**138/2013**      **LAPCHUK/LOVELACE** that the meeting resume. 7:56 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

V.Hubbard, Administrator discussed:

The Town of Balgonie, in partnership with the Balgonie Fire Department, is taking part in a pilot project with the Office of the Fire Commissioner, Emergency Management and Fire Safety, to install a web based program that contains all fire department records including members, equipment and incident reports. The purpose is to refine the program to encourage all volunteer fire departments to use the program for recording their information.

**139/2013**      **KIEL/WAGMAN** that The Town of Balgonie, in partnership with the Balgonie Fire Department, take part in a pilot project with the Office of the Fire Commissioner, Emergency Management and Fire Safety, to install a web based program that contains all fire department records including members, equipment and incident reports; and that a new laptop be purchased to use to install the program for the pilot project.

**CARRIED.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**140/2013**      **LAPCHUK/SOLIE** that the action to be taken to remove the snow on the walking path beside #2-29 Qu'Appelle Cr. will be discussed at the maintenance meeting on March 26, 2013.

**CARRIED.**

**141/2013**      **LOVELACE/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:**

Councillor Lovelace left Chambers. 8:30 p.m.

**142/2013**      **WAGMAN/KIEL** that a letter be sent to O.Middleton indicating that his request to tie into the Town water line from Pilot Butte be denied as it is considered a raw water line.

**CARRIED.**

Councillor Lovelace returned to Chambers. 8:45 p.m.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councillor Wagman gave a report regarding the Library's Annual General Meeting.

Councillor Lovelace indicated that the next White Butte meeting will be held on March 28, 2013.

**OPEN:**

The personnel meetings will be held on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 6:15 p.m.

Councillor Lapchuk indicated that he had a request for more muted colours on the sign outside of the hall.

Councillor Lapchuk questioned why the Town doesn't collect for business licenses. V.Hubbard, Administrator explained that the Town collects a commercial business tax through the mill rate. Home businesses are exempt as registration with the Town for the purpose of purchasing a business license is inconsistent and unenforceable. The Direct Seller's license issue was also explained to Council.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**143/2013** SOLIE/KIEL that the meeting be adjourned. 9:35 P.M.

**CARRIED.**

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**Mayor**

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**Administrator**