MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BEISEKER HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT
DEPUTY MAYOR Ray Courtman
COUNCILLOR Al Henuset
COUNCILLOR Brenda Hnybida
COUNCILLOR Fred Walters
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR Ruth Copeland-Brunelle
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN Dale Wells
DELEGATIONS Frank & Sherry Gore

ABSENT
MAYOR Bruce Rowe

CALL TO ORDER
Deputy Mayor Courtman called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
Councillor Hnybida moved to adopt the Agenda as presented. CARRIED UNAN.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES
Councillor Henuset moved to approve the Minutes from the Organizational Meeting Meeting of Council held on October 11, 2005. CARRIED UNAN.

Councillor Walters moved to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 11, 2005. CARRIED UNAN.

DELEGATIONS
Councillor Hnybida moved that Council go in camera @ 7:09 p.m. with the delegation of Frank & Sherry Gore to discuss an Order to Remedy Unsightly Premises. CARRIED UNAN.

Councillor Hnybida moved that Council reconvene from in camera @ 7:14 p.m. CARRIED UNAN.

Councillor Walters moved that any further action pertaining to the Order to Remedy Unsightly Property dated October 7, 2005 with respect to Plan 2791 H.K., Block 1, that portion of Lot 6 which lies to the south east of the north westerly 16.764 metres and to the north west of the south easterly 7.620 meters of Lot 6, cease and be discontinued. CARRIED UNAN.

PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS
The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works staff finished winterizing & cleaning-up the campground.

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the annual fall clean-up was held on October 13, 2005.

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works staff assisted with the leveling and packing of gravel for the Railway Museum.

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works Staff cleaned out the flowers from the planters at the Tourist Booth.

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the sewer lagoon was discharged and samples sent in for analysis.
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The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the Public Works staff read water meters.

The Public Works Foreman advised Council that the chlorine levels have been very inconsistent in the water from the Kneehill Regional Waterline. The Public Works Foreman advised Council that he has been instructed not to adjust the chlorine levels at our reservoir. The Public Works Foreman also advised Council that there is no communication between himself and the designated operator for the Kneehill line. Deputy Mayor Courtman advised the Public Works Foreman and Council that he would bring these issues up at the next Kneehill Regional Water Services Commission meeting scheduled for October 27, 2005.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Councillor Walters moved to approve accounts cheque #20050914 to #20050951 excepting account cheque #20050864 in the amount of $49,332.74.

CARRIED UNAN.

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Deputy Mayor Courtman moved to approve account cheque #20050913 in the amount of $180.00 payable to Fremar Enterprises. Councillor Walters abstained from voting or commenting on the above item.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that on October 20, 2005 she attended a workshop hosted by the M.D. of Rocky View No. 44 for Recreation Boards to review Recreation Master Plans. Representatives from Alberta Community Development
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were also in attendance at the workshop. This was an excellent opportunity to meet with other community groups and recreation boards. Beiseker's Master Plan from 1983 just needs to be updated.

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that the next meeting of the FCSS/Rec. Board will be held on October 27, 2005.

Councillor Hnybida advised Council that she will not be in attendance for the November 14, 2005 Council Meeting.

**Henuset Traffic Concerns**

Councillor Henuset advised Council that he was approached by a resident concerned about students from the school using 2nd Avenue as a "sidewalk" when leaving the school at the lunch hour. Administration was asked to send a letter to the local RCMP detachment with a copy to be sent to the Beiseker Community School.

Tourist Booth

Councillor Henuset advised Council that since there is a power pole behind the Tourist Booth, that perhaps it should also have a light. Administration was instructed to investigate the possibility of adding a light to the power pole behind the tourist booth.

Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation

Councillor Henuset advised Council that he attended a meeting of the Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation on October 13, 2005. WREDC has taken possession of their new condo and has decided to do their own sub-contracting to finish the work not completed by the previous contractor.

Economic Development Corporation

Councillor Henuset advised Council that he attended a meeting of the Economic Development Committee on October 19, 2005. Although the committee members were disappointed by this year's results from the Communities in Bloom judging, Beiseker will continue to participate in the program. EDC will again be promoting Christmas lights for main street.

**Walters Canadian Badlands Association**

Councillor Walters advised Council that the Canadian Badlands Association appears to be defunct and most of the marketing has apparently been taken over by the Drumheller Mayor's & Reeves Network.

Campground

Councillor Walters advised Council that there is a Petition being circulated to bring Rollie Stroub back as the Campground Manager.

**Courtman Drumheller & District Solid Waste Assoc.**

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that he attended a meeting of the Drumheller & District Solid Waste Association on October 20, 2005. The road in and out of the landfill site was repaired at a cost of $15,000.00 to the association. The total cost of the repair was $55,000.00. The association is not paying the fuel surcharge fee being added to the invoices from Top Waste as this was not included as part of the original contract and the contract cannot be renegotiated until December 2006. Ground water monitoring has been completed, however, the pumps need to be serviced. The commercial use of transfer stations still seems to be an issue in Wheatland County but not at other locations. The bio synergy soil reclamation project will take a long time to resolve. A request has been received from Alberta Environment & Top Waste to have all loose paper bagged. Top Waste still wants stairs installed up to the transistor bin and would also like to have a turn around area in the Public Works yard. The financial statement is looking good. The association spent $44,000.00 to open an other area for garbage which funds came out of the closure reserve. The next meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2005.

**Stage East**

Deputy Mayor Courtman advised Council that Stage East was a great success. There are plans to do it again next year. After all expenses, approximately $4,500.00 was raised which will be donated back to the community through the Centennial Committee.
ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
Campground Manager Ad
The Administrator provided Council with the following draft of an advertisement for the Campground Manager Position:

Village of Beiseker is accepting applications for the contract position of on-site Campground Manager, responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Beiseker Municipal Campground. Must have own RV accommodation. Complimentary RV site & utilities provided. Position runs from May 1 - Oct. 10, 2006. Anyone interested in fulfilling this position is invited to submit, in confidence, a resume/proposal and references to the address, fax number or e-mail address indicated below no later than ______________ to:

Village of Beiseker
P.O. Box 349
Beiseker, Alberta T0M 0G0
Fax #(403) 947-2146
E-mail: beiseker@telus.net

The Administrator suggested to advertise in the Rocky View Five Village Weekly, the AWNA Blanket Classifieds (this covers 110 weekly newspapers in Alberta & N.W.T.), The Western Producer and the Government of Canada job bank website. Council decided to set the closing date for applications as December 31, 2005 and to run the ad initially for a period of two weeks to see what response is received.

The Administrator advised Council that as of Friday, October 21, 2005, three(3) applications had been received for the CAO position. One of the applicants, who lives in Airidrie, was enquiring about Council's position relative to residency requirements i.e. would the successful candidate be required to live in Beiseker and whether or not the Village would consider enrolling in the Local Authorities Pension Plan ("LAPP").

The Administrator advised Council that she did some research into LAPP and what the cost would be to the municipality. The LAPP contribution rates to the plan are as follows:

- the employer contributes 7.75% of the employee's pensionable salary up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (i.e. $41,100.00), plus 10.64% of any portion of the employee's pensionable salary which is over the maximum pensionable earnings of $41,100.00;

- the employee contributes 6.75% of the employee's pensionable salary up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (i.e. $41,100.00), plus 9.64% of any portion of the employee's pensionable salary which is over the maximum pensionable earnings of $41,100.00.

All contributions go directly to the LAPP fund. All employees that are eligible to participate (i.e. full-time and if the municipality permits, may include part-time employees) in the plan are automatically enrolled. Participation in the plan is not optional on the employee's part. All employees are required to participate. The employee portion of the pension contribution would be deducted from the employee's month end cheque. Contributions to the LAPP are tax deductible.

Presently the Village contributes a total of $6,900.00 per annum into RRSP accounts for three (3) Public Works Staff and four (4) office staff. If the Village should decide to enroll in LAPP and based on the current salaries of these same staff members, the cost to the Village under LAPP would be approximately $15,692.00 per annum. This would be an additional $8,792.00 per year expense to the Village.
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CORRESPONDENCE
Heritage Tree Foundation of Canada re Alberta Heritage Tree project. Filed

AAMD&C October 12, 2005 Contact! Newsletter. Filed

Alberta Children’s Services re 2006 FCSS Funding. Filed

Councillor Hnybida moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the FCSS Funding Agreement for January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006 with the Minister of Children’s Services. CARRIED UNAN.

M.D. of Rocky View No. 44 re Recreation Agreement. Filed

AAMD&C October 17, 2005 Contact! Newsletter. Filed

Urban Systems re 2005/06 hockey tickets. Filed

Councillor drew names for the Urban Systems hockey tickets. Councillor Walters won the draw.

Royal Canadian Legion

Royal Canadian Legion, Acme Branch No. 76 re 2005 Remembrance Day Service. Filed

Councillor Henuset moved to waive the rental fee for the community hall to the Royal Canadian Legion, Acme Branch No. 76 for the Remembrance Day Service on November 11, 2005. CARRIED UNAN.

Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation

Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation re Routine Safety Assessment for Highway #9 at Beiseker accesses. Filed

Councillor Walters moved to accept the recommendations as contained in the Routine Safety Assessment for Highway #9 at Beiseker Access. CARRIED UNAN.

Councillor Hnybida moved to contact Alberta Transportation to request that the directional sign on the east side of Highway #806 on Highway #9 should include an arrow pointing west to Calgary. CARRIED UNAN.

ADJOURNMENT:
Councillor Walters moved that the meeting adjourn at 8:46 p.m. CARRIED UNAN.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator