

# TOWN OF HINTON Regular Council Meeting June 4, 2013

**PRESENT:** 

Mayor Ian Duncan, Councillors Bill Bulger, Dale Currie,

Lorraine Johnston-MacKay, Ryan Maguhn

ABSENT:

Councillor Jane Macridis

Bernie Kreiner - Town Manager

Rhonda West - Legislative & Administrative Services Coordinator

**SECRETARY:** 

Lil Wallace - Executive Assistant

**ALSO PRESENT:** 

Mike Schwirtz - Acting Town Manager

Denise Parent - Director of Corporate Services

#### **ORDER**

Mayor Ian Duncan called the Regular Council meeting to order. The time was 6:30 p.m. Councillor Macridis was not in attendance and sent a message that she is ill.

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

D. CURRIE - That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting held June 4, 2013 be adopted as presented.

### **CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"**

No one came forward wishing to speak to Council.

#### **DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

# 1. Recreation & Parks Month Proclamation - Presented by Christopher Read

Christopher Read advised Council that June is Recreation & Parks month and asked council to support the proclamation request that was previously forwarded to council (see Council Information Package #2 circulated May 30, 2013). He stated this month provides opportunity to celebrate the success of recreation and parks as they contribute to the quality of life in Alberta. He laid down a friendly challenge to council and the community at large to recognize photos he presented of Hinton parks and all their amenities and then visit and enjoy each of the 18 amenities in the month of June.

Mayor Duncan read the proclamation out loud to the audience.

# 2. Switzer Drive Twinning Concerns - Presented by Chris Royal, Owner of Outback Express

Mr. Chris Royal, Owner of Outback Express, appeared before Council to voice his opinion that the twinning of Switzer Drive (Phase 4) is not necessary at this time, and that his business, Outback Express, will be negatively affected by this twinning respecting the entrance and exit of his business. He pointed out what he feels are faults in each of the five options that Administration and the Town Engineers have proposed.



#### **PUBLIC HEARING re BYLAW 960-49**

See Public Hearing Minutes dated June 4, 2013.

#### **COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

- 1. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes May 21, 2013
- 2. Standing Committee of Council Minutes May 28, 2013
- D. CURRIE That the Minutes listed above be approved as presented.

Carried

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for 04 Jun 2013 for detailed background information on these decisions.

- 1. Land Use Bylaw #960-49
- B. BULGER That Council give Second Reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment #960-49.

**Motion Defeated** 

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 1. Council Information Package #1 previously circulated May 23, 2013
- 2. Council Information Package #2 previously circulated May 30, 2013

Councillor Bulger asked if the Housing Need and Demand Study contained in package #1 is a public document. Administration advised that it is and if anyone wants a copy, please call the Executive Assistant, Lil Wallace, at 780-865-6072 to obtain a copy. The media had previously also been provided a copy.

Councillor Johnston-MacKay mentioned celebrating Senior's Week and the Good Samaritan Mountain View Centre auction and art show on June 6 starting at 6:00 pm. The art for the auction has been painted by residents of the centre and local artisans. She encouraged the public to attend, participate and support this event.

Mayor Duncan read the ALS Awareness Month proclamation out loud to the audience as Health Canada has declared June as ALS Awareness Month. He also mentioned the ALS Society of Alberta is hosting the Walk for ALS in Hinton at the Beaver Boardwalk at 10:30 am. More information is available at <a href="www.walkforals.ca">www.walkforals.ca</a> or contact Beth MacCallum at 780- 865-4906 or email hintonwalk@alsab.ca.

B. BULGER - That Council Information Packages #1 and # 2 be accepted for information.

Carried

#### REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, TOWN MANAGER

1. Council Reporting (Training/Conferences/CEAC, Listening Teams, All Other Committees)



## Councillor Ryan Maguhn reported:

R. MAGUHN - That Council direct Administration to proceed with traffic impact assessment (TIA) study on the east bound traffic currently turning left onto the existing driveway path of the business known as Outback Express.

**Motion Defeated** 

- reminds everyone the 12<sup>th</sup> Family health and safety night is tomorrow night at the recreation centre from 4:00 to 7:30 pm;
- June 1 he attended as Deputy Mayor the Scouts soap box derby racel lots of cool cars there, great community event; next year it would be great to see even more cars participate; congratulations to Hinton Scouts who celebrated their 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary on June 1.
- next Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> he will attend the Hinton Policing Committee with Councillor Currie:
- has applied to attend a climate reality project; if successful he will have to spend time in Chicago between July and August; train for free and then educate our community to global climate change;

#### Councillor Bill Bulger reported:

- attended FCM conference in Vancouver with the mayor; this is an opportunity to meet peers, set common goals and find solutions; good keynote speakers; during conference attended housing tour that turned out to be more about what Vancouver is doing with their homeless problem in downtown Vancouver; went to healthy communities workshop which was very good; exploring ways of communities structuring themselves to promote a healthy community; also attended the Great Northern Way Campus Trust tour and The Centre for Digital Media program; found it fascinating; housed on 18 acres of industrial land given to them by Finning Tractor; through p3 partnership they rehabilitated that land and created a great space; good example of what p3 partnership can do;

#### **Councillor Lorraine Johnston-MacKay reported:**

- attended the Mary Reimer Park Society meeting yesterday; encouraging to see 3 groups work together to manage the park; camping rentals managed through rodeo association;
- attended public advisory meeting; West Fraser has now put hydrogen peroxide in lines and this should address odor situation; hog fuel piles at their gravel pile on Switzer have been moved into the centre of that land; some smell occurred at the time of moving but this should be dissipated now;
- attended AGM of Athabasca Watershed Council with Councillor Currie; the voyageur canoe that council donated money to a few years back participated at the AGM and gave afternoon of people in the water with the canoes; a Hinton excursion paddled for 3 days to go to Whitecourt from Hinton to attend this event;
- attended spaghetti supper for Yellowhead Emergency Shelter; it was at full capacity;
- Hinton Historical Society on June 8 will provide walk-and-talk tour highlighting 3 large ranches in the valley; town working on bar code scanning on the signs for 2 of the sites;



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- number of vehicles were broken into in valley district this weekend; be aware and lock doors, do not leave valuables in your vehicles; stay safe.

#### **Councillor Dale Currie reported:**

 also attended Athabasca Watershed Council AGM; Councillor Lorraine Johnston-MacKay was elected president of the board of directors; volunteer of year was a gentlemen from Hinton, Marlin Taillefer.

#### Mayor Ian Duncan reported:

- attended FCM over last several days; has several polices and reports to read; will bring back to council as perhaps our municipality can utilize information contained in those reports;
- had opportunity to speak to Sean Finn, Executive Vice-President Corporate Services and Chief Legal Officer for CN Rail, to discuss the shortage of railcars; Mr. Finn to forward statistical information to the mayor;

#### 2. Town Manager Report

Acting Town Manager Mike Schwirtz reported:

- reminder that Shaw Cable's playback of tonight's meeting is being delayed to run June 6 due to special programming;
- Canada Day parade proceeding as usual, businesses can submit registration to the Chamber of Commerce;
- spray park opening is still targeted for June 24; in process of removing wood chips and putting down engineered rubber design chips; cleansing shower is being installed as per AB health regulations;

#### **MOVE IN CAMERA**

R. MAGUHN - That the Regular Council meeting move in camera.

Carried

The time was 9:25 p.m. The mayor then called a short recess and the meeting reconvened at 9:40 pm.

R. MAGUHN - That Regular Council meeting revert to regular session.

Carried

The time was 9:53 p.m.



# **ADJOURNMENT**

B. BULGER - That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.

Carried

The time was 9:54 p.m.

Director of Corporate Services



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