



**TOWN OF HINTON  
Regular Council Meeting  
June 18, 2013**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Ian Duncan, Councillors Jane Macridis, Bill Bulger, Dale Currie,  
Lorraine Johnston-MacKay, Ryan Maguhn  
**ABSENT:** Denise Parent – Director of Corporate Services  
**SECRETARY:** Lil Wallace – Executive Assistant  
**ALSO PRESENT:** Bernie Kreiner – Town Manager  
Rhonda West – Legislative & Administrative Services Coordinator

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**ORDER**

Mayor Ian Duncan called the Regular Council Meeting to order. The time was 6:32 pm. Due to the power outage which occurred earlier in the day and was still ongoing, the Mayor advised council it was scheduled to last at least another two hours. The following motion was made:

**B. BULGER - That the meeting location be moved to the Emergency Operations Building (upstairs in the Fire Hall).**

**Carried**

The mayor then declared a recess to allow everyone to move over to the Fire Hall. The time was 6:34 pm  
The meeting reconvened at 6:50 pm upstairs at the Fire Hall training room.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**J. MACRIDIS - That the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of June 18, 2013 be adopted as presented.**

**Carried**

**CITIZEN'S "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"**

Bobbi Leakvold of the River Valley Riding Association took this opportunity to update council that their organization is trying to construct a multi use facility – indoor arena at Mary Reimer Park. This facility would be available for other organizations to use. They are working on it and are pursuing grants. Their organization were the recipients of the Mayor's Charity Event funds a few years ago so they wanted council to know they are still working and pursuing this.

Albert Ostashek spoke to council about the proposed Switzer Drive twinning. He indicated he was not speaking as representing any business or organized group, but that he was appearing strictly as a citizen. He is concerned about splitting the contract work into two separate contracts as he feels there is not really the possibility of any savings since drawings have to be redone, bid documents to be redone, etc.

**DELEGATIONS**

Garth Griffiths spoke on behalf of the Council Remuneration Review Committee which consisted of members of the Community Engagement and Accountability Committee ("CEAC"). CEAC was asked to review the honourariums paid to mayor and councillors for the upcoming term and the committee hopes council will accept their recommendations. He spoke about the in depth process the committee followed to come up with their recommendations.



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### **COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

The following Minutes were presented to Council for their approval:

- a) Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – June 4, 2013
- b) Public Hearing on Bylaw 960-49 Minutes – June 4, 2013
- c) Standing Committee of Council Minutes – June 11, 2013

**D. CURRIE - That the Minutes listed above be accepted.**

**Carried**

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **1. Council Remuneration Policy #052.**

**B. BULGER - That Council adopt the amendments to Council Remuneration Policy #052 including Schedule “A” and “B” effective November 1, 2013.**

**Motion Defeated**

**J. MACRIDIS – That the 2013 Council Remuneration Review be referred to June 25, 2013 Standing Committee meeting of council and then bring it back to the regular council meeting of July 16, 2013.**

**J. MACRIDIS - Amend June 25, 2013 date to July 9, 2013.**

**Amendment Carried**

**J. MACRIDIS – That the 2013 Council Remuneration Review be referred to July 9, 2013 Standing Committee meeting of council and then bring it back to the Regular Council meeting of July 16, 2013.**

**Original Motion as Amended Carried**

#### **2. Post-Secondary Action Plan Approval**

**J. MACRIDIS - That Council ratify “A New Community Learning Centre for Hinton-Action Plan” as shown in attachment 2 and accepted by the Post-Secondary Education Working Group on May 16, 2013 (as a partner working towards the planning and development of a new shared post-secondary education facility.)**

**Carried**

#### **3. Award of Tender for Switzer Drive Widening and Utilities**

**B. BULGER - That Council reject the tenders that have been received on Switzer Drive Widening 2013, Phase 4, Joblin Street to Drinnan Way dated April, 2013 that closed June 7, 2013.**

**Carried**



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**R. MAGUHN - Road construction be tendered with an altered scope of restructuring and resurfacing of the existing two-lane road along Switzer Drive for a 2014 construction start.**

**Motion Defeated**

**B. BULGER – That road construction be tendered in November, 2013 with construction commencing in 2014 and awarding the project in January/February, 2014.**

**Carried**

**J. MACRIDIS - Sanitary construction – Through the process of obtaining quotes, select a construction firm that is able to provide a fair market value price with construction commencing in 2013.**

**Carried**

**4. Yellowhead Regional Library Master Membership Agreement**

**J. MACRIDIS - That Hinton Council support the proposed amendments to Clause 15.1 of the Yellowhead Regional Library (“YRL”) Master Membership Agreement.**

**Carried**

The Mayor called for a short recess and the time was 9:16 pm. The meeting reconvened at 9:24 pm.

**R. MAGUHN – That Council extend the time for the Regular Council Meeting beyond 3 hours.**

**Carried**

The time was 9:25 pm

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Council Information Package #1 - previously circulated June 6, 2013
2. Council Information Package #2 - previously circulated June 13, 2013

**J. MACRIDIS - That Council write a letter of support to the County of Grande Prairie for their application to the Provincial Regional Collaboration grant respecting the building phase of their dinosaur museum.**

**Carried**

Councillor Bulger enquired about the crosswalk concern expressed by Stacey Gross in package #2. He asked what was the response from Administration and was advised that Administration would look into this and report back to council.

Councillor Macridis asked for an update respecting the regional landfill (package #2, council action pending list, item #MD-0334). Administration advised the MOA is being amended and will go back to

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the partners for final review. The new terms and expanded authority has been provided to Jasper. Administration expects to hear back soon with a target of January 1, 2014 for joining of partnership. This aligns with Jasper's budget process.

Councillor Macridis had other questions respecting the pending list and Administration advised that a more complete briefing on the strategic plan and pending list is scheduled to be provided at the June 25, 2013 Standing Committee Meeting.

Mayor Duncan mentioned the development statistics for May 2013; it looks like number of permits issued to date has increased in comparison to last year's stats.

**B. BULGER - That the information items listed above be received for information.**

**Carried**

**INFORMATION/REPORT PERIOD FOR MAYOR, COUNCIL AND TOWN MANAGER**

**Councillor Lorraine Johnston-MacKay**

Councillor Johnston-MacKay reported:

- Attended the recent health & safety night; great turnout from community; acknowledged that it is a lot of work to host it; enjoyed watching kids participate;
- Community Futures has provided a number of loans recently; used to assist local businesses that are established to help them grow; helps some of them re ability to provide online web services;
- Attended the Vitalize Conference – great conference and workshops;
- Spoke about the "Hinton 350" project; thanks to Kimberley Worthington, Economic Development & Housing Manager for all the work she has done for this project; educational campaign to promote shopping at local and independent businesses; spend \$50 per month in 3 independent local stores, generates money into our local economy;

**Councillor Ryan Maguhn**

Councillor Maguhn reported:

- also attended the health and safety night; great turnout; great for Hinton Policing Committee ("HPC") to get word out to the community about scope of the committee and advocacy that committee provides;
- June 13 had HPC meeting; last one prior to summer break; meeting again in September but if anyone has concerns during the summer, then can speak to Councillor Currie, Councillor Macridis or himself;
- Attended at the Mary Reimer park for cub/scout baseball tournament; lots of people turning out; excellent support for scout organization;
- Will be absent for his summer vacation starting the afternoon of June 27 and his return date is July 14.



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**Councillor Jane Macridis**

Councillor Macridis reported:

- This is the last regular council meeting before school children out for summer; reminder of fantastic summer programs at Hinton's library so check them out;
- Announced that Don Podlubny , Chair of the Hinton library board, resigned and is moving to Salmon Arm, will be greatly missed; thanks for all he has contributed;
- Thank you to the Chamber of Commerce for hosting town council last week for meet and greet; sharing common interests and common concerns;
- Reminder to residents if they have any projects for the Community Safety Initiatives to bring them forward to Mike Schwirtz; can submit up to first week of July;
- PSE community to be aware GPRC taking applications for fall programming; as well if there is particular programming you want, please contact one of the post-secondary education committee members or GPRC (Renee Laboucane) and bring forward those needs;
- Wanted to recognize Joyce Beauchamp and the work she has done in our community; she was the recipient of the seniors lifetime award; thanks to the seniors for all that they do for our community; thank you to Lisa Greening-Davidson for all she did to make the seniors day special;
- 350 project great idea; she's already started doing it; encourages Hinton to join the 350 club;

**Mayor Ian Duncan**

Mayor Duncan reported:

- Attended AUMA mayor's caucus and continue to review MGA; talked about Hinton Edson YC revenue sharing agreement, lots of interest in that by other municipalities
- Leaving Thursday to Northern mayor's reeves caucus; will be speaking on housing challenges in Alberta; caucus will seek to unite and send letter to province;
- Announced the 2014 mayor's golf tournament and Hinton United Way was chosen as the recipient.

**Councillor Dale Currie:**

Councillor Currie reported:

- Attended the Vitalize Conference; excellent speakers; spoke about their own challenges, and turned them into positive outcomes; communities helping each other; building cooperative relationships, doing with people not for people;
- Asked about road patching and when will it be done; Administration advised when roads are dry, there is a schedule;
- Assessments – people asking about it who did not feel assessment was correct; have until July 19 to submit formal appeal if don't feel assessor gave correct assessment; appeal form at front reception desk;
- Solar light not working at west end of town; administration advised there are two vendors who are responsible and having trouble getting resolution; working on it.



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**Councillor Bill Bulger:**

- Had BBQ with seniors
- Will be bringing greetings as the Deputy Mayor at Cadomin for the Legion's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary

**Town Manager Bernie Kreiner**

Bernie Kreiner, Town Manager, reported:

- Customer satisfaction survey being done one month late; work being done on it;
- Thanks to the fire department for letting us use their space tonight and being flexible as they had scheduled training and moved it to another location; thank you to the town staff, Lil Wallace, Rhonda West, Garry Schaffel, Peter Ensor for setting up so quickly in the fire hall and dealing with the power outage effects;

**MOVE IN CAMERA**

**J. MACRIDIS - That the Regular Meeting of Council move in camera.**

**Carried**

The time was 10:06 p.m. The mayor called a short recess at 10:07 pm and the meeting reconvened at 10:15 pm

**J. MACRIDIS - That the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene.**

**Carried**

The time was 10:29 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

**L. JOHNSTON-MACKAY -That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.**

**Carried**

The time was 10:30 p.m.

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Mayor

*Bernie Kreiner*  
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Town Manager

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