

TOWN OF ECKVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, January 25, 2016
Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

1.0 Mayor Posti called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Helen Posti
Deputy Mayor Scott Kinley
Councillor Stuart Carde
Councillor Colleen Ebdon
Councillor Sandra Hallgren
Councillor Dwayne Meyers
Councillor Kevin See
CAO Jack Ramsden
Recording Secretary Darcy Webb

Press: Jasmine O'Halloran-Han, Eckville Echo

2. Delegations/Public Hearings

2.1 Jerome Morgan, Karin Engen, Heather Allen – SPARC Committee – 7 p.m.

Council heard a presentation from the Strengthening Positive Assets & Resiliency in Communities Committee. In December 2014, the SPARC Committee handed out a survey to all grade 4 to 6 students attending Eckville Elementary School. In all, 62 students participated. The information gathered from this survey will be used to help those working with youth to plan and improve programs that aid in the healthy development of young people.

Mayor Posti thanked the group for attending and they left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

3. Agenda

3.1 There were no additions to the agenda.

3.2 Adoption of Agenda

Res. 15/16 Moved by Councillor See that the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried.

4. Minutes

Regular Council Meeting 4.1 Regular Council Meeting - January 11, 2016
January 11, 2016

Res. 16/16 Moved by Councillor Ebdon that the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of January 11, 2016 be adopted as presented. Carried.

5. Action Items

Request for Decision -
Parkland Community
Planning Services

5.1 Council received a request from Administration to support a grant application by Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS) under the Province's Alberta Community Partnership Program to fund the startup of a geographic information system for its members.

Res. 17/16

Moved by Councillor Hallgren that the Town of Eckville agree to participate in an application for the startup of a geographic information system for the participating members of Parkland Community Planning Services made by the Town of Bentley under the Inter-municipal Collaboration component of the Alberta Community Partnership Program. Carried.

Res. 18/16

Moved by Councillor Carde that the Town of Eckville, a participant, agrees to participate and abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the funds. Carried.

6. Bylaws, Policies

6.1 None.

7. Reports

7.1 Management Report – Council reviewed the management report by Jack Ramsden, CAO. He noted that administration will be working with Fortis to review street lighting throughout Eckville with the aim of determining areas that could benefit from improved street lighting.

7.2 Financial Reports – the January 1st & 22nd 2016 accounts payable reports were reviewed by Council.

7.3 SeeVirtual360.com – the stats for the weeks 3 & 4 of January, 2016 were provided to Council.

Res. 19/16

Moved by Councillor Hallgren to accept the reports for information as presented. Carried.

8. Committee, Board Reports

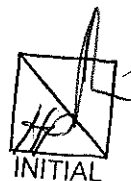
8.1 Deputy Mayor Kinley reported on the renovation work at the Community Hall. He also gave an update on efforts to create a Citizens on Patrol group in Eckville and asked that Council set a date for a public meeting to discuss the program.

Res. 20/16

Moved by Councillor Hallgren that Council set a date of February 10th, 2016 for a public information meeting with respect to Citizens on Patrol and that the meeting be held in the Town Office Council Chambers starting at 7 p.m. Carried.

Councillor Carde gave an update on the Fire Department. He reported that they now have 19 members and that they responded to 62 calls in 2015. He also gave a Recreation Board update.

Mayor Posti called a recess at 6:50 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 6:58 p.m.



8. Committee, Board Reports continued

8.1 Councillor Hallgren reported that both she and Mayor Posti gave a presentation on local government to the grade 6 class at the Eckville Elementary School. She gave an update on efforts to create a Big Brothers & Sisters organization in Eckville and enquired as to the availability of grants such as the Volunteer Appreciation Grant and Community Initiatives Grant in the community.

Mayor Posti reported on Health Trust, Lacombe Foundation and Emergency Management meetings that she attended.

Res. 21/16

Moved by Councillor Carde to accept the Committee and Board Reports for information. Carried.

Press left the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

9. Correspondence, Information Items

9.1 Lacombe County – Council Highlights (January 14, 2016)
9.2 Tagish Engineering Ltd. – Project Updates (January 12, 2016)

Res. 22/16

Moved by Councillor Carde that the correspondence and information items be received for information. Carried.

10. Seminars, Meetings, Special Events

10.1 None.

11. In Camera

11.1 Land item.

Res. 23/16

Moved by Councillor Meyers that the meeting move into a closed session excluding all persons except Council members, the CAO and the Recording Secretary. Time: 8:30 p.m. Carried.

Res. 24/16

Moved by Councillor Meyers that the meeting revert back to open session. Time: 8:55 p.m. Carried.

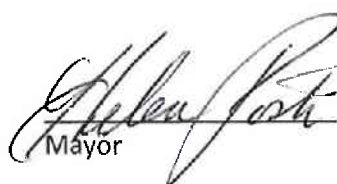
12. Committee of the Whole

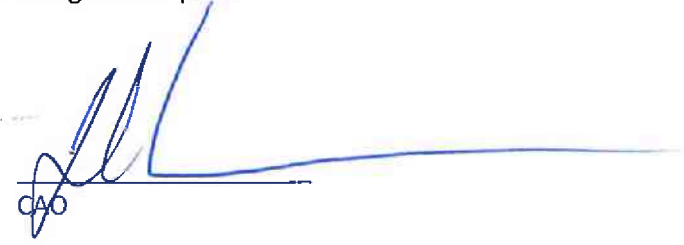
12.1 None.

13. Adjournment

Res. 25/16

13.1 Mayor Posti adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m.


Mayor


CAO