

TOWN OF ECKVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, January 23, 2012
Council Chambers

- 1. Call to Order** 1.0 Mayor Posti called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Present: Mayor Posti, Councillors Dale Chretien, Colleen Ebden, Scott Kinley,
Kevin See, Andrew Van Dirstein, John Walker
Staff: Administrator Therese Kleeberger, Administrative Assistant Susan Norberg,
Public Works Foreman Rick McKinnon
Press: Mark Weber, Eckville Echo (Red Deer Express)
- 2. Delegations** 2.1 None
- 3. Agenda**
Res.019/12 3.1 Additional Agenda Items:
5.6 – Cardboard Bailer
7.6 – Eckville Cemetery Expansion
- Moved by Councillor Ebden that the agenda be adopted with the additions. Carried.
- 4. Minutes** 4.1 Budget Meeting January 7, 2012
Budget Meeting – January
7, 2012
Res.020/12 Moved by Councillor Ebden that the Minutes of the Budget meeting of January 7,
2012 be adopted as presented. Carried.
- Regular Council Meeting 4.2 Regular Council Meeting January 9, 2012
– January 9, 2012
Res. 021/12 Moved by Councillor Walker that the Minutes of the regular Council meeting of
January 9, 2012 be adopted as presented. Carried.
- 5. Action Items**
- Cemetery Advisory 5.1 At the September 12, 2011 meeting, Council made the decision to form a Cemetery
Committee Advisory Committee which would be comprised of a maximum of 5 members,
consisting of not more than 4 volunteer members of the public, and one Council
representative. Administration has advertised to recruit volunteers for this
committee since that time. To date only 2 volunteer members of the public have put
their names forward to sit on this committee.
- Res.022/12 Moved by Councillor Van Dirstein to disband the Eckville Cemetery Advisory
committee due to lack of interest and that Administration brings the Cemetery
Bylaw back to Council in Committee of the Whole for review at the February 27,
2012 Council meeting. Carried.
- Rick McKinnon, Public Works Foreman entered the meeting at 6:15 p.m.
- Town of Sylvan Lake – 5.2 At the March 14, 2011 meeting Council supported the Town of Sylvan Lake’s
Urgent Care Centre initiative to have an Urgent Care Facility built in that municipality. At the
September 26, 2011 meeting Council appointed Mayor Posti to the Mayors’ Task
Force for the Urgent Care Centre for Sylvan Lake and area.
- Res.023/12 Moved by Councillor Kinley that Council receives the information on the Council
resolutions for the *Town of Sylvan Lake – Urgent Care Centre* for information.
Carried.

Red Deer River Watershed Alliance – Request for Support 2012-13
Res.024/12

5.3 A request of support was received from Red Deer River Watershed Alliance for 2012/2013. As in previous years they are requesting a contribution based on a 50 cent per capita amount, which would be \$501.

Moved by Councillor Walker that the Town of Eckville continues its support of the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance for 2012/2013 at a per capita amount of 50 cents. Carried.

FCSS Funding Agreement
Res.025/12

5.4 The FCSS Funding Agreement for 2012 was received from Alberta Family and Community Support Services. The municipal contribution to the Eckville FCSS will be \$7200 and the Provincial contribution will be \$23,221.

Moved by Councillor Walker that the 2012 FCSS Funding Agreement be signed and that the Town of Eckville continues to support the local FCSS. Carried.

Tourism Red Deer
Res.026/12

5.5 As the membership fee with Tourism Red Deer had increased from \$120 in 2011 to \$1000 for 2012, Council declined renewing the Town’s 2012 membership at their January 9, 2012 meeting, but had requested further information on what the benefits of a membership would be. Administration presented Council with what is covered with the increased membership fees.

Moved by Councillor Chretien that the membership information from Tourism Red Deer be received for information. Carried.

Cardboard Bailer

5.6 Councillor Van Dirstein presented Council with some information on a cardboard bailer. Once further information is received it will be brought back to Council for consideration.

6. Bylaws, Projects 6.1 None

7. Reports

Street Maintenance
Lift Stations
Garbage
Pumphouse
Vehicles
Other

7.1 **Foreman’s Report**
We have been sanding as necessary.
Everything has been working good since the greylines have been changed out – not one callout. We have re-painted the pumps.
All is fine.
We have been doing some painting and maintenance at the pumphouse.
All is fine.
During the extremely cold weather we have just been doing general maintenance and cleanup as its too hard on the equipment to take it out in these temperatures.

Status
In Progress

7.2 **Administrator’s Report**
Programs, Projects, Activities

- Spray Park: Council approval to install fundraising sign as approved by Administration. Waiting for sign design from Eckville Recreation Board.
- 2012 Budget Discussions.
- Land Rental Lease: Council agreed to renew lease with St. Paul’s Presbyterian Church. Send it to them for their consideration.

Completed

- Board Volunteer Applications: approved by Council - reply to applicants; inquire if one would be interested in sitting on the MPC Board. Doug Clark has agreed to sit on the MPC Board.
- Parking on 49 Ave: reply to concerned resident that the 2 hr parking restriction will remain until the approach is enlarged by the business in the spring/summer.
- Tourism Red Deer: Council declined membership due to large fee increase.

Obtain information as to why the large increase.

- Urgent Care Facility Meeting Advertisement: Council approved payment to advertise in the Eckville Echo.
- Bulk Water Sales: Council declined request from Rocanda Enterprises to set up a bulk water sales system from the Town's waterworks. Send reply.
- Small Town Saturday Night contest: forward information on to suitable businesses and organizations.
- Medicine River Watershed Society: prepare \$500.00 cheque for donation to Society.

Seminar registrations.

Other

Yearend audit scheduled to start Feb. 14/12.

7.3 Financial Report

The January 23, 2012 Accounts Payable Report were reviewed by Council.

Other Reports

7.4 Lacombe County – Enforcement Report/Emergency Management

7.5 Alberta Animal Services Report

7.6 Eckville Cemetery Expansion Update

Res.027/12

Moved by Councillor Ebden to rescind Resolution # 413/11 "Moved by Councillor Ebden to proceed with the tree removal at the existing north and east boundaries of the Eckville Cemetery and to chip the wood for future use". Carried.

Res.028/12

Moved by Councillor Ebden to proceed with the tree removal at the existing north and east boundaries of the Eckville Cemetery and once the trees are removed to burn them. Carried.

Res.029/12

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

8. Committee, Board Reports

8.1 Councillor Kinley: Youth Society – the 36 passenger bus that was purchased by the Youth Society is now in operation and is being stored in the Wolf Creek School Division bus barns.

Councillor Van Dirstein: EEMA – completed a Table Top Exercise using the new Regional Emergency Plan at the January 19, 2012 meeting.

Res.030/12

Moved by Councillor See to accept the Committee and Board Reports for information as presented. Carried.

9. Correspondence, Information Items

9.1 AUMA – Insurance Renewal Update

9.2 AUMA – What Annual Membership Fees Include

9.3 Pitch-In Canada – April 23-30, 2012

Res.031/12

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

10. Seminars, Meetings, Special Events

10.1 FCM's 75th Annual Conference and Trade Show – Saskatoon – June 1-4, 2012

10.2 AUMA – Mayors' Caucus Meeting – Edmonton – February 15, 2012. Mayor Posti to attend.

10.3 Economic Developers Alberta – Annual Conference – Kananaskis – April 11-13, 2012

10.4 2012 CPAA Conference – Red Deer – April 16-18, 2012. Mayor Posti and Administrator Kleeberger to attend.

10.5 2012 AUMA Convention Hotels – Edmonton – September 26-28, 2012

Res.032/12 Moved by Councillor Ebden that the Seminars, Meetings, Special Events be received for information and that attendance as indicated be approved. Carried.

11. In Camera 11.1 None

12. Committee of the Whole 12.1 Council reviewed the Town’s Water Diversion License with Alberta Environment. Water Diversion License While the Town is allowed to draw 46.3million gallons per year the statistics for the past 3 years are as follows:
2011 – 28.547million gallons
2010 – 29.738million gallons
2009 – 34.252million gallons

Rick McKinnon left the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

CAO Evaluation 12.2 As per the Municipal Government Act, Council must complete an annual written performance evaluation for the CAO.

Res.033/12 Moved by Councillor See to use the current CAO Evaluation form to complete the 2011 CAO Evaluation and at the time of the evaluation Council will set goals for the CAO for 2012. Carried.

Council set January 30, 2012 at 7 p.m. for the CAO Evaluation.

List of Bylaws with Penalties 12.3 At the January 16, 2012 Budget Meeting Council requested that Administration provide a list of Town Bylaws that have penalties attached to them. Council reviewed the Bylaw list and asked that Administration initiate an advertising blitz for a “Bylaw of the Month” and to also bring a Bylaw to a Council meeting each month for review in Committee of the Whole.

Off Highways Vehicles Bylaw #601/97 12.4 Council had asked to review the Off Highways Vehicles Bylaw #601/97 and to obtain information from Lacombe County regarding their Off Highways Vehicle Bylaw. Council reviewed and decided to leave Off Highways Vehicle Bylaw #601/97 as is.

Res.034/12 Moved by Councillor See to receive the information regarding the Off Highways Vehicles Bylaw for information. Six in favour, one opposed. Carried.

13. Adjournment 13.1 Moved by Mayor Posti that the meeting be adjourned. Time: 8:37 p.m. Carried.
Res. 035/12

Mayor

Administrator