

**COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 COUNCIL MEETING
January 14, 2014**

Meeting Called to Order The County Council Meeting was called to order by Reeve, A. Sayler at 10:09 a.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2014.

Attendance Present were:

A. Sayler E. Yakemchuk
A. Pidruchney S. Dary, CAO
P. Gordeyko T. Suprovich, Recording Secretary

Absent was:

S. Odegard

Agenda The Agenda for the January 14, 2014 Council Meeting was presented for review and consideration, having the following listed additions being presented:

- Public Works Equipment Purchases
- Motor Grader Sale
- Invoice No. 29769
- AAMD&C re: Alberta Compensation Survey
- 2014 Economic Developers Alberta (EDA) Conference
- Willingdon Fish & Game Donation Request
- Proposed Medical Centre Ownership

There being no further additions; it was moved by:

R-9781 A. PIDRUCHNEY

That the Agenda, inclusive of the additions be approved.

Motion Carried

Previous Minutes The minutes of the December 4, 2013 Special Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Sayler asked for adoption.

R-9782 P. GORDEYKO

That the December 4, 2013 Special Council Meeting Minutes be approved.

Motion Carried

The minutes of the December 10, 2013 Regular Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Sayler asked for adoption.

R-9783 E. YAKEMCHUK

That the December 10, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes be approved as amended (R-9760 cost of living adjustment).

Motion Carried

The minutes of the December 16, 2013 Special Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Sayler asked for adoption.

R-9784 P. GORDEYKO

That the December 16, 2013 Special Council Meeting Minutes be tabled to the February 11, 2014 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion Carried

The minutes of the December 18, 2013 Special Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Saylor asked for adoption.

R-9785 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That the December 18, 2013 Special Council Meeting Minutes be approved.

Motion Carried

The minutes of the December 20, 2013 Special Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Saylor asked for adoption.

R-9786 **P. GORDEYKO**

That the December 20, 2013 Special Council Meeting Minutes be approved.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

- 2013 Development Permits
- Correspondence re: previous meeting
- Hamlet Vehicle Removal was discussed, noting surrounding Counties that were contacted have no issues. Administration will seek legal advice and present the same at the February 2014 Regular Council Meeting.

Bank Rec

The Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ending November 2013, indicating a bank balance of \$2,166,589.67 (together with municipal term certificates) was presented for review and consideration.

Council having reviewed and discussed the November 2013 Bank Reconciliation Report; it was moved by:

R-9787 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That the Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ending November 2013 as presented, reviewed and discussed by Council be approved, signed and incorporated into the minutes.

Motion Carried

Bylaw 1-2014

The CAO informed Council that Section 256(1)(2)(3) of the MGA authorizes the borrowing of monies for the purpose of financing operating expenditures. The amount to be borrowed must not exceed the estimate to be raised in taxes in the year of borrowing and the By-Law does not have to be advertised if the borrowing term does not exceed three years.

Council having reviewed and discussed Bylaw No. 1-2014; it was moved by:

R-9788 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That Bylaw No. 1-2014 be given first reading this 14th day of January 2014.

Motion Carried

R-9789 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That Bylaw No. 1-2014 be given second reading this 14th day of January 2014.

Motion Carried

R-9790 **P. GORDEYKO**

That authority to proceed with third and final reading of Bylaw No. 1-2014 be given this 14th day of January 2014.

Motion Carried Unanimously

R-9791 **A. SAYLER**
That Bylaw No. 1-2014 be given third and final reading and finally passed this 14th day of January 2014.

Motion Carried

Auditors The CAO informed Council that Section 280(1) of the Municipal Government Act reads: That each Council must appoint one or more Auditors for the municipality.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9792 **E. YAKEMCHUK**
That the Auditing Firm of Synergy Chartered Accountants be appointed as Auditors for the County of Two Hills No. 21 for the 2014 fiscal year.

Motion Carried

Legal Surveyor The CAO informed Council that the County requires from time to time the service of a Legal Surveyor for the provision of legal road plan revisions and cancellations due to road construction projects.

Explorer Surveys Inc. (previously named Rachynski Land Surveyor's Ltd.) has provided this professional service in the past. AMEC also provides legal surveyor services.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9793 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**
That Legal Surveying Firm of Explorer Survey's Inc. (previously named Rachynski Land Survey's Ltd.) or AMEC be engaged (when required) to provide legal and survey service for the County of Two Hills in the 2014 fiscal year.

Motion Carried

Engineering The CAO informed Council that the County has over the past years retained the firms of AMEC, Stantec, MPA and Genivar Engineering for the provision of Road/Bridge/Water and Sewer Engineering Services.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9794 **P. GORDEYKO**
That Council of the County of Two Hills retain the services of an Engineering Firm by way of appointment or tender invitation for the projects within the County requiring engineering services in the 2014 fiscal year.

Motion Carried

Canada Day The CAO informed Council that on January 8, 2014 the Canada Day Committee met to discuss the Annual Canada Day Celebrations. A Canada Day breakfast will be held, followed by Opening Ceremonies, possibly a CF-18 fly-by and fireworks at 11:00 p.m.

The Canada Day Committee requests that the County provide a monetary donation.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9795 **A. SAYLER**
That the County of Two Hills provide a monetary donation in the amount of \$300.00 to the Canada Day Celebration activities.

Motion Carried

Natural Gas Utility The CAO informed Council that at the Natural Gas Utility Meeting of January 9, 2014, K. McLaughlin, Natural Gas Utility Manager informed the Committee that there will be a 2014 Rural Infill cost threshold increase of \$250.00, bringing the cost threshold for the 2014 construction year to \$6,250.00.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9796 P. GORDEYKO

That the County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility Rural Infill Rate be increased by \$250.00 to \$6,250.00 plus GST, effective January 1, 2014.

Motion Carried

Chudyk Lease The CAO informed Council that the County has in the past several years (under agreement) leased the Pt. SW 20-54-8-W4, situated SE of the abandoned rail bed (containing 44.8 acres) to Mr. Joe Chudyk, for the annual sum of \$125.00.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9797 A. PIDRUCHNEY

That the County offer to lease Pt. SW 20-54-8-W4, situated SE of the abandoned rail bed (containing 44.8 acres) to Mr. Joe Chudyk for the 2014 fiscal year, for the annual sum of \$125.00.

Motion Carried

Dubelt Lease The CAO informed Council that the County has in the past several years (under agreement) leased the Pt. SW 20-54-8-W4, situated NW of the abandoned rail bed (containing 99.81 acres) to Mr. David Dubelt, for the annual sum of \$250.00.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9798 A. PIDRUCHNEY

That the County offer to lease Pt. SW 20-54-8-W4, situated NW of the abandoned rail bed (containing 99.81 acres) to Mr. David Dubelt for the 2014 fiscal year, for the annual sum of \$250.00.

Motion Carried

The CAO informed Council that in 2004 the County purchased the NW 20-54-8-W4 (containing approximately 146.92 acres) from Mr. David Dubelt as a land gravel source. The said land was leased back to Mr. Dubelt in 2011 for the sum of \$475.00.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9799 A. PIDRUCHNEY

That the County offer to lease NW 20-54-8-W4 (containing 146.92 acres more or less) to Mr. David Dubelt for the 2014 fiscal year, for the annual lease price of \$475.00.

Motion Carried

Lac Sante The CAO informed Council that the Lac Sante Recreational Society has received Temporary Field Authorization from Lands Division Sustainable Resource Development, Government of Alberta.

Administration will forward the above Temporary Field Authorization to the Development Officer for review.

Invoice No. 29769 The CAO informed Council that the owner of Invoice No. 29769 has requested that gravel be delivered to his residence. The said ratepayer is requesting a reimbursement, due to gravel being delivered from two different pit locations.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9800 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the owner of Invoice No. 29769 be reimbursed for the gravel haul difference from the two different pit locations.

Motion Defeated

Willingdon Fish & Game The CAO informed Council that the Willingdon Fish & Game is requesting that the County of Two Hills donate gravel as a live auction item for the Willingdon Annual Fish & Game Supper in January 2014.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9801 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the County of Two Hills donate a total of 70 yards of gravel (delivery within the County of Two Hills) as a live auction item for the Willingdon Fish & Game Supper in January 2014.

Motion Carried

Medical Centre Ownership Reeve, A. Sayler placed the proposed Two Hills Medical Centre on the table for discussion, having this item being postponed to the February Council Meeting.

Correspondence & Information Items

- Bills and Paysheets.
- Government of Alberta Municipal Affairs re: New Home Buyers Protection Act.
- Roadata Conference Agenda – Sheraton Red Deer Hotel, January 23, 2014.
- Stars Donation – Thank you.
- AAMDC
 - Newsletters-December 11, 18, 2013, January 9, 2014.
 - Member Bulletin
 - EOEP-Professional Development
 - MGA Consultation Begins-Mark Your Calendars
 - Know your current MGA-Info Session
 - Call for Input: Local Road Bridge Program Changes
 - Resolutions for the Spring 2014 Convention
 - Federal Government Announces New Rail Safety Measures
 - Rural Perspective on High Speed Rail Line
 - CRT Releases Negotiation Template-Installation of Telecommunications Infrastructure
 - Recommendation to Restructure Municipal Grants

AAMDC Spring Convention The CAO informed Council that the Annual AAMDC Spring Convention is to be held March 17 – 19, 2014 at the Shaw Conference Centre.

As in previous years, Council along with Administration and the Public Works Supervisor have attended the AAMDC Spring Conference.
Council have discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9802 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That Council, along with Administration and the Public Works Supervisor be authorized to attend the AAMDC 2014 Spring Convention.

Motion Carried

AAMDC The CAO informed Council that the AAMDC Alberta Municipal Compensation Survey notice of discontinuation was received.

Council have discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9803 **A. SAYLER**

That the County of Two Hills inform the AAMDC of the importance of the Rural Municipal Compensation Survey.

Motion Carried

EDA Conference The CAO informed Council of the 2014 Economic (EDA) Conference, having the same postponed to the February 2014 Council Meeting.

R-9804 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

Camera That Council meet in camera – time 11:20 a.m.

Motion Carried

R-9805 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That Council revert back to their open public meeting – 11:30 a.m.

Motion Carried

Alberta Transportation Mr. Stuart Richardson representing Alberta Transportation was invited into the Council Chambers to present the Hwy 36 & Hwy 45 Access Management Study Recommended Plan. Council addressed the concerns of the same and requested that Administration arrange a meeting with Mr. Watts from Alberta Transportation for further discussion.

Mr. Stuart Richardson thanked Council for their time and left the Council Chambers.

Brandt Tractor Ltd. Mr. Mike Schmidt representing Brandt Tractor Ltd. and R. Bouchard, Public Works Supervisor were invited into the Council Chambers. Mr. Schmidt provided information regarding John Deere 872GP Motor Grader attachments and warranty.

Mr. Mike Schmidt and R. Bouchard thanked Council for their time and left the Council Chambers.

R-9806 **A. SAYLER**

That the Council Meeting be recessed for lunch – time 12:15 p.m.

Motion Carried

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m., having all Councillors in attendance, excepting S. Odegard.

St. Paul Education Doug Fedoruk, Deb Pederson, and Ruven Rajoo, St. Paul Education School Board Representatives were invited into the Council Chambers to discuss St. Paul Education bus routes within the County of Two Hills. The Ruth Bateyko Scholarship was also discussed; having this item being postponed to the February Council Meeting.

There being no further discussion, Doug Fedoruk, Deb Pederson, and Ruven Rajoo thanked Council for their time and left the Council Chambers.

Public Works
Equipment
Purchases

The CAO informed Council that at the Public Works Department Meeting of January 9, 2014 the following Capital Equipment quotes were presented to the Committee for review and consideration:

- Two 2013 Caterpillar 730 Rock Trucks (B1M04135 and B1M04105) for the amount of \$610,680.00, including GST.
- One new Caterpillar 14M Motor Grader for the amount of \$477,000.00, plus GST.
- One new John Deere 872GP Motor Grader for the amount of \$372,000.00, plus GST.

Council have discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9807 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That the County of Two Hills purchase the following equipment:

- Two 2013 Caterpillar 730 Rock Trucks (B1M04135 and B1M04105) for the amount of \$610,680.00, including GST.
- One only new Caterpillar 14M Motor Grader for the amount of \$477,000.00, plus GST.
- One only new John Deere 872GP Motor Grader for the amount of \$372,000.00, plus GST.

Motion Carried

Compactors

The CAO informed Council that at the December 5, 2013 Public Works Meeting R. Bouchard requested that the Public Works Department be authorized to purchase a 2013 Caterpillar CB34 Utility Compactor and a 2013 Caterpillar CB64 Vibratory Asphalt Compactor for the amount of \$192,000.00, plus GST.

Council have discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9808 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the County of Two Hills purchase a 2013 Caterpillar CB34 Utility Compactor and a 2013 Caterpillar CB64 Vibratory Asphalt Compactor for the amount of \$192,000.00, plus GST.

Motion Carried

Sale of Volvo
Grader

The CAO informed Council that at the January 9, 2014 Public Works Department Meeting R. Bouchard informed the Committee that a request was received to purchase Unit No. 001-037, 2008 Volvo G976 Grader for the amount of \$170,000.00, plus GST.

Council have discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-9809 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That the County of Two Hills Public Works Department be authorized to sell Unit No. 001-037, 2008 Volvo G976 Grader for the amount of \$170,000.00, plus GST.

Motion Carried

B. Straty was invited into the Council Chambers to present the Essential Services Coordinators Report. Administration will review the Mutual Aid Fire Agreement and present the same at the February Council Meeting. B. Straty also informed Council that the Fire Chief's Meeting of Tuesday January 21, 2014 will be rescheduled.

B. Straty left the Council Chambers.

R-9810 **A. SAYLER**
Camera That Council meet in camera – time 2:27 p.m.

Motion Carried

R-9811 **P. GORDEYKO**
That Council revert back to their open public meeting – time 3:15 p.m.

Motion Carried

R-9812 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**
Next Meeting That the next County Council Meeting be held on February 11, 2014 in the
Date Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m. and the Department Head Meeting be held on
February 6, 2014 in the Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

Motion Carried

Adjournment Council having dealt with all items contained on the Meeting Agenda; it was
moved by:

R-9813 **A. PIDRUCHNEY**
That the meeting be adjourned – time 3:22 p.m.

Motion Carried

REEVE

CAO