

STARLAND COUNTY

COUNCIL MEETING, OCTOBER 29TH, 2013

A regular meeting of the Council of Starland County was held in the Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, on Tuesday, October 29th, 2013, commencing at 10:40 a.m.

Attendance

Present: Reeve: Barrie Hoover
Deputy Reeve: Allen Avramenko
Councillors: Murray Marshall, Bob Sargent and Steve Wannstrom
Staff: CAO R. Rawlusk
Special Projects Manager M. Kreke
Recording Secretary S. Bremer

C13-169 Approval of Minutes

[C13-169] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL

that the minutes of the October 8th, 2013 regular meeting of the Council of Starland County be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Accounts Checked

Councillors Marshall and Sargent checked accounts with Administrative Assistant Laya Montgomery.

C13-170 Approval of Accounts

[C13-170] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL

that accounts (cheque no. 37483 to 37594 inclusive) totalling \$1,427,057.78, be approved for payment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Monthly Financial Statement

Council reviewed the Monthly Financial Statement for the month ending September 30th, 2013.

C13-171 Approval of Financial Statement

[C13-171] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE AVRAMENKO

that the Monthly Financial Statement for the month ending September 30th, 2013 be approved as reviewed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Attendance of PWS Pratt & PW Report

At 11:10 a.m., Public Works Supervisor Pratt attended the meeting and reviewed his Public Works Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- They finished the landscaping and helped with the playground equipment installation at Craigmyle;
- Snow plow truck was set up ready for snow removal;
- Six employees completed the plow training course;
- Kevin Devaleriola is on the RAP Program and is working with Tom Armstrong on the heavy duty fleet.
- Thomas Hodge will commence his third year of Heavy Duty Mechanics at Red Deer College as of October 21st.
- The road crew have completed another ½ mile of road construction, as well as working on a sewer hook-up in Rumsey and have now moved some equipment to the top of the airport hill for a new driveway and repairs to the top of the Airport Hill.
- Brenda Gallagher has been working with the RCMP with regards to the shooting of the windows on the Terex Scraper as well as numerous county signs.
- 150 miles of the gravel program is now complete, as well as 145 miles of add-ons.
- The new grader was delivered on October 8th;

Alberta
Transportation re:
Survey Results for
Highway
Intersections

- Al is presently finishing up his three year capital budget.

Correspondence was received from Mike Damberger, Alberta Transportation. He expressed his appreciation for helping spread the surveys around to the residents with regards to the intersection at Highways 9, 56 and 27 and also at Highways 9 & 21. He provided a summary of the results of the public input and also the plans for converting both intersections to 4-way stops this fall.

Rural Road Study

Stantec Consulting Ltd. provided an update on the scope of work and the related fees to provide Starland County with an updated Rural Road Study. They will compile all available information and prepare a report detailing the information collected, complete an analysis and recommend a 10-year construction program. The projected cost to complete this study is \$92,500.00.

C13-172
Authorization to
Update Rural
Road Study

[C13-172] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WANNSTROM

that Starland County accept Stantec Consulting Ltd.'s proposal to provide the County with an updated Rural Road Study as outlined in their scope of work and as per the terms and conditions noted in their proposal and Agreement; and that CAO Rawlusyk be authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of Starland County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Departure of
PW Pratt

Public Works Supervisor Pratt departed from the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

CAO Report

Chief Administrative Officer Ross Rawlusyk reviewed his CAO Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- Ross provided an update in regards to the recent elections in and around the County.
- He noted that we are now advertising to County residents for opportunities to be added to a list of future water connections. To date, he has already received 10 potential future water connections, mostly in the Delia area. There also is interest along the Dinosaur Trail and some potential users up in the Handhills.
- The Starland Christmas Party is scheduled for Friday, December 6th, 2013 at the Morrin Hall.
- The Badlands Ambulance Society has now been fully dissolved and the remaining assets were distributed to the contributing members.
- The Government of Alberta has just introduced Bill 27, the Flood Recovery and Reconstruction Act. The legislation will enshrine in law new policies that will stop further development in floodways, lessen future flood damage in flood prone areas, and ensure home buyers are informed of whether a property in a flood hazard area is eligible for future disaster assistance.
- Bill 31 was introduced, which creates a new Alberta Environmental Evaluation and Reporting Agency (AEMERA). This new agency will be responsible for developing and operating a comprehensive science based monitoring system.
- The Speech from the Throne was given on October 16th. The key measures identified in the speech include, creating jobs and opportunities for Canadians, supporting and protecting Canadian families, and putting Canada first.
- In researching the new trade deal with the European Union (CETA), it looks like it should be a good thing. When the CETA comes into force, 98% of all EU tariff lines will be duty-free for Canada. On the municipal side there will be an increased focus on open and transparent procurement processes which might well mean even more widespread tendering requirements.

Revenue &
Expenditure
Report

Copies of the detailed report of revenues and expenditures for Starland County, up to and including September 30th, 2013, were distributed to Council for their review.

Attendance of
Manager Riep
& Municipal
Services Report

At 1:35 p.m., Manager Riep attended the meeting and reviewed his Municipal Services Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- He has been working on several sewer services over the past week or so. A new service was installed in Rumsey that required extensive earth removal to make the connection to the sanitary sewer collection pipe. Also, they worked on Roy Dussome's sewer service that had failed.
- The fire hazard in the County has finally been lowered with the rain and snow this past weekend. Fire permits are still being issued on a short term basis only, as conditions will likely change when the snow is gone.
- He is working with Morrin Fire Department Chief, Darcy Davidson, on the fire investigation and report for a recent fire at Betty Shadlock's farm.
- He is purchasing turn-out gear for the fire departments as part of the MSI funding. In total they hope to replace 42 sets of gear.
- Chinook Pipelines has completed plowing in all the line that they are able to do with their plowing equipment. The remaining line will require excavation with track hoe or directional drilling as soil conditions in the grass areas is preventing their trenching equipment to work effectively. The contractor intends to commence meter pit installation this week.
- Glen has ordered the Genset generator for the Craigmyle Lift Station as part of the station upgrade. It will provide emergency power to the station during a power failure. He is also working with ATCO Electric for the installation of 3 phase power to the site. Paperwork for the purchase of the Irwin properties to accommodate the lift station upgrade is presently being processed.
- On a similar property matter, he has had discussions with family members concerning the Bernice Brower Property in Craigmyle. They have inquired about having the house demolished and Glen suggested that the County may be interested in purchasing this property, with the demolition costs considered in the total price of the property.

AB Environment
re: Compliance
Inspection on
Craigmyle
Waterworks
System

Correspondence was received from Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development. They completed a compliance inspection at the Craigmyle Waterworks System on October 1, 2013. This inspection showed a 'Pass' for the overall waterworks system risk assessment.

AB Transportation
re: Tourism
Signage

Correspondence was received from Alberta Transportation advising that as part of their continuing improvement of Tourism Signage, the last outdated facility signs (brown background with white lettering) need to be taken down. They are encouraging anyone with these obsolete signs to replace the worn out signs with the new official signs (blue background with white lettering). CAO Rawlusk noted that the brown Michichi Campground and Morrin Bridge Campground signs will be removed. Council discussed replacing these signs, as well as purchasing a directional sign for McLaren Dam Campground.

Departure of
Manager Riep

At 2:10 p.m., Manager Riep departed from the meeting.

Election
Information

CAO Rawlusk presented Council with the Official Election Results Summary for their perusal. In addition, Alberta Municipal Affairs provided a Handbook for Elected Officials entitled "*Now That You've Been Elected*" as well as an information sheet on "*Pecuniary Interest for Municipal Councillors*".

Council Retreat

CAO Rawlusyk also discussed tentative dates to schedule a Council Retreat. January 8th to 10th, 2014 was tentatively set and Red Deer was chosen for the location.

Central Region
ASB Conference

The Central Region A.S.B. Conference is to be held Thursday, November 7th, 2013 commencing at 9:00 a.m. at the Three Hills Community Hall. A draft agenda was provided to Council for their review.

AAMDC 2013 Fall
Convention
Information

Correspondence was received from the AAMDC with regards to the upcoming Fall Convention. They distributed copies of the AAMDC, Jubilee Insurance Agencies Ltd. and Prairie Fuel Advisors Ltd. audited financial statements for the fiscal year 2012-13. In addition, they forwarded a summary sheet of their executive per diems and expenses. Council reviewed the resolutions that will be presented at the convention, as well as the Draft Fall Convention Agenda. The Mayor's & Reeve's Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 12th, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Shaw Conference Centre.

Councillor Sargent
Departs

At 3:00 p.m., Councillor Sargent temporarily departed from the meeting.

Zone 2 Director
Discussion

Reeve Hoover discussed the possibility of running for Zone 2 Director.

C13-173
Support for
Director Position

C13-173] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE AVRAMENKO

that Starland County Council support Barrie Hoover in his quest to run for the AAMDC Zone 2 Director position.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Sargent
Returns

At 3:05 p.m., Councillor Sargent returned to the meeting.

ATCO Electric re:
Backup Generator
at Mother Mtn.
Station

ATCO Electric provided information with regards to the installation and operation of the planned backup generator and associated facilities at Mother Mountain. This installation will be within the boundaries of the existing Mother Mountain substation site located on the northwest quarter of Section 31-29-16-W4M.

Red Deer River
Watershed
Alliance

Correspondence was received from the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance. They thanked Starland County for their past support and are requesting financial support for 2014, based on the 50 cents per capita established rate for municipal donations.

C13-174
Motion to pay
RDRWA
Requisition

C13-174] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL

that Starland County continue to support the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance (RDRWA) with financial assistance in the amount of 50 cents per capita for the 2014 term, totalling \$1,035.50.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

AB Environment
re: Neu Muehl
Colony Gravel Pit

Correspondence was received from Alberta Environment with regards to a copy of the Code of Practice for Pits sent to Neu Muehl Hutterian Brethren of Delia. This is for the gravel pit located on the NE 1/4 12-29-17-W4M.

Request for
Grave Cover
Placement in
Rumsey Cemetery

Correspondence was received from Prairie Winds Funeral Home, Trochu, Alberta, requesting approval to put a grave cover on Mary Krywcun's grave in order to match the existing grave of her husband (Andrew Krywcun). These two graves are located in the Rumsey Cemetery.

C13-175
Authorization for
grave cover re:
M. Krywcun

[C13-175] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE AVRAMENKO

that Council authorize Prairie Winds Funeral Home to place a grave cover on Mary Krywcun's grave to match her late husbands grave; and that this permission be granted on the condition that this cover be maintained by the owners at their expense and in an acceptable condition to the satisfaction of the Cemetery Caretaker.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C13-176
Council Meeting
Cancelled

[C13-176] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SARGENT

that the regular meeting of the Council of Starland County scheduled for November 13th, 2013 be cancelled, due to the conflict with the AAMDC Fall Convention.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Committee
 Reports

Each of the Councillors present briefly reported on the various committees to which they are appointed.

Council
 Communications

Council Communications:

- i) FCM re: Statement by FCM President following the Speech from the Throne
- ii) Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties re:
 - District Highlights - District 2 Meeting
 - Contact Newsletter

Accounts

Accounts - see prior motion.

AVRAMENKO, ALLEN	CK# 37483	\$	5,071.48
HOOVER, BARRIE	CK# 37484		6,897.69
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 37485		4,320.51
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 37486		3,288.61
STANGER, NORMAN	CK# 37487		3,789.91

Sub-Total: \$ 23,368.20

CHRISTENSEN, (J.R.) RICHARD	CK# 37488	\$	15,252.77
DG PRIMROSE TRUCKING & LOADING	CK# 37489		12,333.69
HODGE BROTHERS TRUCKING LTD.	CK# 37490		53,167.22
LAPP	CK# 37491		19,596.44
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 37492		73.21
MORRIN COMMUNITY HALL	CK# 37493		750.00
PRIMROSE, BRAD	CK# 37494		16,776.80
RECEIVER GENERAL	CK# 37495		45,479.52
ROBMAC ENTERPRISES LTD.	CK# 37496		9,183.21
ROGER HODGE TRUCKING	CK# 37497		23,894.67

Sub-Total: \$ 196,507.53

SORUS ENTERTAINMENT INC.	CK# 37498	\$	1,130.00
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Sub-Total: \$ 1,130.00

AAMDC	CK# 37499	\$	23,453.14
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Sub-Total: \$ 23,453.14

A & D HARPER TIRE LTD.	CK# 37500	\$	1,416.84
ACKLANDS-GRAINGER INC.	CK# 37501		1,399.74

ACTIVE GLASS	CK# 37502	112.01
ADAMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES INC.	CK# 37503	492.01
AIR LIQUIDE CANADA INC.	CK# 37504	194.67
AAMDC	CK# 37505	40,777.46
ALBERTA ONE-CALL CORPORATION	CK# 37506	66.15
ALBERTA WILBERT SALES LTD.	CK# 37507	13,399.83
ALLIED DISTRIBUTORS DRUM LTD.	CK# 37508	3,984.14
AVRAMENKO, ALLEN	CK# 37509	442.80
BADGER DAYLIGHTING INC.	CK# 37510	1,911.00
BAR W PETROLEUM & ELECTRIC LTD.	CK# 37511	90.30
BARRON, FRANCIS	CK# 37512	432.82
BIG COUNTRY GAS CO-OP	CK# 37513	172.32
BIG SKY CALL CENTERS INC.	CK# 37514	258.30
BREMER, SHIRLEY	CK# 37515	26.78
FCSSAA CONFERENCE	CK# 37516	790.00
CALON, DARA	CK# 37517	118.16
CHINOOK PIPELINE INC.	CK# 37518	277,877.25
CLEARTECH INDUSTRIES INC.	CK# 37519	390.60
COMMUNICATIONS GROUP	CK# 37520	1,425.38
DEVALERIOLA, CHERYL	CK# 37521	720.50
DRTOS, LESLIE & CAROL	CK# 37522	275.00
DRUM WIRELESS LTD.	CK# 37523	1,152.00
DRUMHELLER CHRYSLER LTD.	CK# 37524	1,680.98
DRUMHELLER CO-OP LTD.	CK# 37525	2,854.98
EAST CENTRAL GAS CO-OP LTD.	CK# 37526	91.90
ENMAX	CK# 37527	2,598.24
EVERGREEN EQUIPMENT LTD.	CK# 37528	8,775.83
FINNING CANADA	CK# 37529	385,984.20
FIREBALL EQUIPMENT LTD.	CK# 37530	195.22
FREIGHTLINER OF RED DEER LTD.	CK# 37531	113.18
GEMINI POSITIONING SYSTEMS	CK# 37532	6,905.85
GLENTEL INC.	CK# 37533	270.22
GLOVER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS	CK# 37534	8,218.30
GREENSLADE'S DISPOSAL LTD.	CK# 37535	6,453.89
GREYHOUND COURIER EXPRESS	CK# 37536	183.69
GRIFFITH, SHERRY	CK# 37537	117.52
GWYNN, DOROTHY	CK# 37538	74.77
H & H HUXTED ENT. LTD.	CK# 37539	396.90
HENRY KROEGER REGIONAL WATER	CK# 37540	169.36
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 37541	721.51
HOOVER, BARRIE	CK# 37542	509.48
I.D. APPAREL	CK# 37543	633.94
O/A J.C. INDUSTRIES LTD.	CK# 37544	417.90
JUBILEE INSURANCE AGENCIES	CK# 37545	519.12
KELTECH COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 37546	1,365.00
KREKE, MATTHEW	CK# 37547	654.67
LAPP	CK# 37548	19,672.83
LOOMIS EXPRESS	CK# 37549	142.17
LYNCO PRODUCTS INC.	CK# 37550	411.39
MARSHALL, GINO	CK# 37551	150.00
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 37552	290.32
MINISTER OF FINANCE	CK# 37553	92.35
MPE ENGINEERING LTD.	CK# 37554	28,229.78
NEW WEST GEOMATICS	CK# 37555	8,704.00
NSC MINERALS	CK# 37556	4,488.76
PALLISER MUNICIPAL SERVICES	CK# 37557	50,000.00
PARK N PLAY DESIGN CO.	CK# 37558	74,773.06
PD PROS LTD.	CK# 37559	558.00
PEDERSEN TRANSPORT LTD.	CK# 37560	252.83
PEEVEY ELECTRIC LTD.	CK# 37561	756.32
PETTY CASH	CK# 37562	166.95
PRINTER WORLD INTERNATIONAL	CK# 37563	866.25
RAYMOND, MARCIA	CK# 37564	28.84
RECEIVER GENERAL	CK# 37565	49,212.68
RUMSEY AG SOCIETY	CK# 37566	250.00

SAMUEL PLUMBING & HEATING	CK# 37567	40.11
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 37568	268.92
SCHOW, JOANNE	CK# 37569	393.20
SEED CHECK TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 37570	157.50
SHRED-IT CALGARY	CK# 37571	241.15
STANGER, NORMAN	CK# 37572	263.54
STARLAND REGIONAL WATER AUTH.	CK# 37573	676.60
STETTLER DODGE LTD.	CK# 37574	123,327.75
STRONGCO	CK# 37575	620.18
TANAS CONCRETE INDUSTRIES LTD.	CK# 37576	585.90
TAQA NORTH	CK# 37577	21.00
TELFORD, JOANN	CK# 37578	394.03
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 37579	735.04
TELUS MOBILITY INC.	CK# 37580	6,312.91
THE CAT RENTAL STORE	CK# 37581	3,319.96
THE DRUMHELLER MAIL	CK# 37582	4,860.24
THE JACK FENCING OUTFIT	CK# 37583	7,586.25
TOWN OF DRUMHELLER	CK# 37584	3,020.06
TROCHU MOTORS LTD.	CK# 37585	964.77
VILLAGE OF DELIA	CK# 37586	4,401.05
VILLAGE OF MORRIN	CK# 37587	230.10
VILLAGE OF MUNSON	CK# 37588	2,543.29
WEISSE, ELAINE	CK# 37589	450.04
WOLF, SANDY	CK# 37590	720.00
WSH LABS LTD.	CK# 37591	913.50
WURTH CANADA LIMITED	CK# 37592	1,267.18
ZEE MEDICAL CANADA CORPORATION	CK# 37593	1,195.40
ZIPPER, ALOIS A.	CK# 37594	210.00

Sub-Total: \$ 1,182,598.91

TOTAL: \$ 1,427,057.78

**C13-177
Adjournment**

[C13-177] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SARGENT

that the meeting be adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The next meeting of the Council of Starland County is to be held on Wednesday, November 27th, 2013, in the Starland County Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, commencing at 9:00 a.m.



Reeve:
J. Barrie Hoover



Chief Administrative Officer:
Ross D. Rawlusyk