

TOWN OF TWO HILLS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the Town of Two Hills held January 26, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Two Hills Town Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER:

Deputy Mayor S. Rajoo called the Regular Council Meeting of January 26, 2016 to order at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor S. Rajoo, Councillor W. Babiuk, Councillor G. Saskiw, Councillor B. Gray, Chief Administrative Officer (C.A.O.) E. Howanyk, Public Works Foreman T. Stefiuk, Chief Finance Officer (C.F.O.) L. Tatarin and Executive Secretary S. Lupul.

ABSENT: Mayor H. Neufeld

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

2016-007 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray to accept the Agenda with the following additions:
10.e) Tree Cuttings.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES:

2016-008 **MOVED** by Councillor W. Babiuk to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2016.

CARRIED

DELEGATION: There were no delegations.

OPEN FORUM:

One member of the public expressed his concern over the lack of snow removal on his street and that Public Works had cleaned the avenues to the north and the south but not his street. He brought a map that he distributed to Council to illustrate the area in question; 53 Street between 50 & 52 Avenue. Council received the information as presented and will look into it further. The member of public then left Council Chambers.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Public Works Report

The report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by Foreman T. Stefiuk. Public Works Foreman was asked by Council to speak to the concerns brought up by the landowner during the Open Forum. Foreman Stefiuk stated that the last time it snowed, before

this week, that 53 Street between 50 and 52 Avenue was the first residential road to be plowed. It has been 3 days since the last snowfall and Priority Areas 1-5 according to Roadway Snow & Ice Clearing Policy has been completed in addition to multiple residential roads; 53 Street between 50 and 52 Avenue is the next road to be completed but Public Works did not manage to get to it before the end of the workday today. Councillor B. Gray stated he would pass the information along to the concerned landowner.

Council asked Foreman Stefiuk to voice their gratitude to the Public Works staff in the great job they are doing in keeping up with snow removal as it is much better than in many other municipalities.

C.F.O. Report

The report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by C.F.O. L. Tatarin.

C.A.O. Report

The report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by C.A.O. E. Howanyk.

2016-009 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray that the Public Works, C.F.O. and C.A.O. Reports be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Management of New Facility

This item was Tabled from the previous Regular Council meeting. Councillors G. Saskiw and W. Babiuk met with the Sports Activity Council since the last Regular Council meeting. The Sports Activity Council is interested in managing the arena and the new recreational facility however more questions need to be investigated. The Sports Activity Council may consider managing the operations of the hall as well. Administration is to draft an agreement for discussion. Also discussed was the 24 hour exercise facility in Hanna; Administration is to get more information.

CORRESPONDENCE:

2016-010 **MOVED** by Councillor W. Babiuk that the Correspondence listed, be acknowledged as presented and filed.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD OF RFP – IMDP, MDP and LUB

The C.A.O.'s of the County of Two Hills, the Town of Two Hills, and the Villages of Myrnam and Willingdon concluded their Request For Proposal evaluations to determine their recommendations for the firm awarded to create planning documents for municipalities within the County of Two Hills.

- 2016-011** **MOVED** by Councillor G. Saskiw that the Town of Two Hills agrees to award the preparation of the following planning documents initiated through the Regional Advanced Partnership for Inter-Municipal Development (RAPID) Committee to Green Space Alliance: Inter-Municipal Development Plan, Municipal Development Plan, and Land Use Bylaw.

CARRIED

2016 Bonspiel

The Two Hills Curling Club is requesting the Town to waive the cost of the hall rental for the 2016 Bonspiel. Dates for the hall rental are April 1 – 2, 2016. The cost of the rental would be \$400.00.

- 2016-012** **MOVED** by Councillor W. Babiuk to donate \$500.00 toward their Curling Bonspiel as opposed to waiving the rental of the hall.

CARRIED

Regular Council Meeting

The Second Regular Council meeting in February (23rd) coincides with the Growing Rural Tourism Conference which is held on February 22 – 24, 2016 in Camrose, Alberta. Three members of Council are attending.

- 2016-013** **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray to hold the Second Regular Council meeting on February 29th rather than February 23rd to give all members of Council the opportunity to be present.

CARRIED

Utility Billing

A resident sent a request via letter to Council requesting his August 2015 Town Utility bill be discounted due to suspected theft of water.

2016-014

MOVED by Councillor B. Gray to deny the request for a reduction of monies owed as the water did pass through their meter and preventative steps could have been used to prevent this from happening.

CARRIED

Tree Cuttings

Council was approached by a community member regarding the cut trees near the Historical Society concerned that they were a fire hazard. C.A.O. had indicated the Town received a complaint a few months ago and had contacted a member of the Historical Society regarding the complaint. C.A.O. is to contact the Historical Society again.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Next Regular Council Meeting is on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT:

With all items on the agenda having been addressed, Deputy Mayor S. Rajoo adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 8:06 P.M.

HENRY NEUFELD, MAYOR

ELSIE HOWANYK, C.A.O.