

TOWN OF TWO HILLS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the Town of Two Hills held on June 27, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Two Hills Town Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor E. Sorochan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor E. Sorochan, Deputy Mayor W. Babiuk, Councillor B. Gray, Councillor S. Rajoo, Councillor G. Saskiw, Chief Administrative Officer E. Howanyk, Public Works Foreman D. Bezovie, Recording Secretary B. Lyzaniuk, and Reporter.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

2011-157 **MOVED** by Councilor B. Gray to adopt the Agenda with the following New Business additions:
9 e. Town Parks Request
9 f. Ag Society Letter of Support
9 g. Town Office Planters

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

2011-158 **MOVED** Councilor G. Saskiw to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2011 as presented.

CARRIED

REPORTS:

Public Works Report

Foreman D. Bezovie presented his report as provided. Discussion took place regarding the overburdening of the water pumps in the Lift Station due to the heavy rain falls. Putting in larger pumps or the addition of a third pump was suggested.

Considerable discussion on the need for a wheel chair ramp for the Centennial Hall was made; ideas were to lay some asphalt, purchase a rubber matt or a metal grate style ramp that would allow proper surface water flow along the curb. Another suggestion was to designate a large sized wheelchair parking space in front of the Centennial Hall doors.

Council members received some complaints of grass not being cut in the parks. With the purchase of the new mowers all parks are now mowed, the sand has been tilled and only the Geleta Park has been sprayed. The deteriorated benches at the Cenotaph have been removed.

Council asked how the used equipment auction went. All the smaller equipment sold. The larger items, the snow blower and the parking lot sweeper, will be advertised.

**IN & OUT
OF CAMERA:**

2011-159 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray to go IN CAMERA at 7:30 P.M. **CARRIED**

2011-160 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray to revert back to an open meeting at 7:50 P.M. **CARRIED**

REPORTS CONT'D:

CAO Report

Written report was acknowledged as provided. The C.A.O. and Brad Gara from Community Futures participated in a conference call with the Rural Co-operatives Secretariat, AUMA and AAMDC to discuss applying to the Rural Alberta Development Fund for a province-wide Regional Economic Development Officer program. A second conference call is to be scheduled in the near future to pursue this further.

Council decided not to meet with the RCMP Commanding Officer at this fall's AUMA Convention as the Mayor had met with him recently, however Council would really like to meet with representatives from Alberta Transportation/Infrastructure. A meeting will be arranged as soon as the invitation is received.

2011-161 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor W. Babiuk that all the Reports be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes. **CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES:**

Signage for Corner of 47 Ave & 46 St. – Bylaw 2011-906

Council directed the C.A.O. to get recommendations from the Community Peace Officer regarding signage/traffic signals for the corner of 46 Street and 47 Avenue. Recommendation was to decrease the speed limit to 30 km around the corner. To proceed with reducing the speed limit an amendment to Traffic Bylaw 2010-899 is required. Bylaw No. 2011-906 to Amend Traffic Bylaw No. 2010-899 would allow to Council to make all future changes as required when recommended without further amendments. The local RCMP detachment was asked to patrol this particular area.

2011-162 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor W. Babiuk that Bylaw 2011-906 to Amend Traffic Bylaw No. 2010-889 be now read a first time this 27th day of June 2011. **CARRIED**

2011-162 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray that Bylaw 2011-906 to Amend Traffic Bylaw No. 2010-889 be now read a second time this 27th day of June 2011.

CARRIED

2011-162 **MOVED** by Councillor S. Rajoo that Bylaw 2011-906 to Amend Traffic Bylaw No. 2010-889 be given consent to proceed with third and final reading this 27th day of June 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2011-162 **MOVED** by Councillor G. Saskiw that Bylaw 2011-906 to Amend Traffic Bylaw No. 2010-889 be now read a third and final time this 27th day of June 2011.

CARRIED

To Set a Speed Limit Approaching Corner of 47 Ave. & 46 St.

Council discussed the safety issues of the corner of 47 Avenue and 46 Street and all agreed that the corner is sharp enough to require a reduced speed and when coming down the hill acceleration can be dangerous, especially with young children in the district.

2011-163 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor W. Babiuk to set the speed limit of 30 km approaching the corner of 47 Avenue and 46 Street and extending past the corner up to approximately 150 meters in both directions.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

2011-164 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray that Correspondence be acknowledged as presented and filed.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

Run to the Hills Memorial Rally Request

Run to the Hills Rally, in memory of fallen motorcycles is scheduled for July 22-24, 2011. Proceeds of the event go towards the creation, construction and maintenance of a monument park and campground located west of Town on Hwy #45. They are requesting support in the form of monetary donation, products, and services and/or to purchase an ad in the Souvenir Program. The Run for the Hills Rally has been held in previous years and brings a fair amount of business into our Town. C.A.O. indicated to Council that a discussion was made with the organizer of the event to meet with Council to discuss the campground.

2011-165 **MOVED** by Councillor S. Rajoo to purchase a business card ad space in the 'Run To The Hills Memorial Rally Souvenir Program' for the sum of \$75.00.

CARRIED

Request to review Mutual Aid Agreement

There have been some recent misunderstanding regarding equipment ownership and responsibilities therefore the Town Administrator and Fire Department would like to have the County consider updating the Mutual Aid Agreement sooner than 2012. The purpose would be to implement policies and procedures, and designate a working group between the fire chiefs and administrators. This would involve all municipalities within the boundaries of the County therefore could be brought to the next Joint Municipalities Meeting.

- 2011-166** **MOVED** by Councillor G. Saskiw that a request to add Mutual Aid Agreement and Establishment of Inter-municipal Policies and Procedures be added to the Joint Municipalities Agenda for August 3, 2011.

CARRIED

Land Use Bylaw No. 97-757

A letter was received disputing Council's and Administration decision regarding contravention of use in accordance with the Land Use Bylaw.

- 2011-167** **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor W. Babiuk that the owner of property described as Lot Portion of B1, Plan 138TR be invited to meet with the Mayor and C.A.O. to discuss the use of the said property.

CARRIED

Damage of Personal Property

Council received a letter of complaint regarding damages to a resident's parking on the house, concrete driveway and the asphalt lift to the driveway. The owner attributes this damage to a flood of the driveway during a water line break this past winter. The foreman took pictures of the driveway, curb and parking. In discussion regarding the asphalt lift, the 'patch job' should not be there in the first place as it obstructs the flow of surface water along the curb. Options for the driveway are for the property owner to apply for the Sidewalk and Curbing Replacement Cost Sharing Program or purchase beveled rubber mats.

- 2011-168** **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray that a claim for damages to the driveway and house parking at Plan 1392HW, Blk. 8, Lot 10 be forwarded to our insurance.

CARRIED

- 2011-169** **MOVED** by Councillor G. Saskiw that the C.A.O. contact the property owner to inform that the Town will not be replacing the asphalt next to the curb of the driveway as requested and advise that there are other options available for access into the driveway.

CARRIED

ADDITIONS:

Town Park

A Town resident has been looking after the park next to his property and stated that he has been watering and cutting the park grass. He would like to be compensated for the water used for the park. The resident also indicated there are large roots protruding out of the ground near the trees, a rough area in the bushes, and gravel in the grass along the back lane which are damaging his mower. General discussion was to put some soil on the bare roots and smooth out the rough area. C.A.O. and Public Works will investigate the complaint as a whole, further and make recommendations to Council

2011-170 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor W. Babiuk to TABLE the Town Park complaint to the next Council meeting when recommendations will be available from C.A.O. and P.W. Foreman.

CARRIED

Two Hills & District Agricultural Society Request for Support

The Agricultural Society will be applying for an Agricultural Initiatives Grant and are requesting a letter of support. Their proposed improvements are to the concession stand, horse barn, show ring, restrooms, and pen area. Details of the plans were included.

2011-171 **MOVED** by Councillor S. Rajoo that Council provide the Two Hills & District Agricultural Society with a letter of support for their Agricultural Initiatives Grant application.

CARRIED

Additional Note from C.A.O. report: The Town of Two Hills received a request from Lakeland Breakers Outdoor Society for a letter of support (not financial) to apply for grants throughout the year to upgrade the existing trails and facilities near Spruce Hills Recreation Area located north of Two Hills along the North Saskatchewan River. As these improvements are imperative to the growth of community and spirit and provides greater safety for our residents and may increase tourism, the Town replied with a letter of support.

Town Planters

Council received a suggestion that the flower planters in front of the Administration Office could be replaced with the old bricks from the Old Hospital demolition. It was suggested that the labour to clean the old brick would be very costly and old brick deteriorates very quickly. The C.A.O. confirmed that a contractor has been accepted, and the new planter construction will be starting in late July.



**NEXT COUNCIL
MEETING:**

2011-172 **MOVED** by Councillor S. Rajoo that the July 18, 2011 Regular Council Meeting be changed to July 11, 2011.

CARRIED

**IN & OUT
OF CAMERA:**

2011-173 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray to go IN CAMERA at 9:31 P.M.

CARRIED

2011-174 **MOVED** by Councillor B. Gray to revert back to an open meeting at 10:00 P.M.

CARRIED

2011-175 **MOVED** by Councillor S. Rajoo, to give first right of refusal to 1213243 Ltd. (One Earth Farms LP) for the Intent to Purchase of **Lot C Block 2 Plan 0740587**, and **Lots 3 and 4 Block 3 Plan 0740587**; and further, that the Intent to Purchase be valid for 90 days.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

With all items on the agenda having been addressed Mayor E. Sorochan adjourned the Regular Council Meeting 10:06 P.M.

MAYOR ELAINE SOROCHAN

ELSIE HOWANYK, C.A.O.