

**Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Council
Of the Town Of Castor
Held Monday, April 8, 2013
Council Chambers, Castor Town Hall
Castor, Alberta**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Garry DeVloo.

Councillors in Attendance:

Troy Slempp, Rod Zinger, Mike Bain, Jeff Ensign, Brenda Wismer, and Dennis Filipenko.

Also in Attendance:

Sandi Jackson – C.A.O.
Stan Boettcher – Public Works Foreman
Jena Cole – East Central Review Reporter
Matt Hanger - Observer

Delegations/Interviews:

Castor Recreation Board Member – Todd Pawsey

Mr. Pawsey reported on the upcoming fundraiser – “Castor Rocks”.

- Adult concert as a fundraiser for Minor Sports programs. Band is Thunderstruck, opening band is Cold Tie Walker. July 13 will be the date, in conjunction with the Castor’s annual ball tournament.
- Event will be held at the arena. The committee would like to close 51st Avenue from 49th Street to 50th Street.
- Liquor sales will go to 1:00am.
- Committee is in place and plans are coming along.
- Will use the Town outhouses.
- Everything off the ice surface will be off limits.
- Plan to provide seating for just over 300.
- Tickets are \$25.00 each.

063/13 MOTION: Councillor Bain that the Town approve closing 51st Avenue from 49th Street to 50th Street.

CARRIED

Mr. Pawsey left the meeting at 7:14pm.

Minutes:

Council reviewed the minutes of the March 25, 2013 regular Meeting of Council.

064/13 MOTION: Councillor Ensign that the Minutes of the March 25, 2013 Regular Meeting of Council be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Accounts:

The List of Accounts was presented to Council for payment.

Councillor Filipenko declared an interest in account Number 15648.

065/13 MOTION: Councillor Zinger that Account Numbers 15629 to 15662 with the exception of account number 15648 payable to Filipenko Bros. Construction in the amount of \$2,646.00 be approved for payment and that the list of Accounts be marked Schedule "A" and attached to these minutes of Council.

CARRIED .

066/13 MOTION: Councillor Slemph that cheque number 15648 to Filipenko Bros. Construction be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Councillor Filipenko did not participate in any discussion concerning this account.

Cash Statement:

The Cash Statement for the period ending March 31, 2013 was presented to Council. The C.A.O. informed Council that we are still having some cash flow problems but are maintaining our bank account without borrowing on our operating loan.

067/13 MOTION: Councillor Filipenko that the Cash Statement for the month ending March 31, 2013 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Correspondence

East Central 911:

Council received a letter from East Central 911 Call Answer Society outlining recommendations that will significantly impact East Central 911 and the communities it serves. Council was informed that Alberta Health Services will be making presentations, through stakeholder meetings, with regards to changes in the 911 services. East Central 911 Call Answer Society is urging Council to encourage our citizens to attend these meetings. Councillor Ensign elaborated and will keep Council in the loop.

MRTA Grant:

Alberta Sport, Recreation Parks & Wildlife Foundation have informed Council that the MRTA grant program that was scheduled to end in 2014 for the Town of Castor has been reduced for this year - we will receive only 50% of funding for the 2013/14 final period.

Old Business:

Fire Agreement:

A draft copy of a fire agreement was presented to Council. This draft will be presented at the next fire agreement meeting on April 22. Council accepted this as information.

Post Office:

The C.A.O. and the Foreman have been working with Canada Post to come up with a plan to improve the deteriorating area surrounding the Post Office. At a meeting with the facilities manager, Canada Post has

committed \$10,000.00 towards the project. The C.A.O. and the foreman will be working with Canada Post to re-vamp the plan to make it workable for both Canada Post and the Town.

Cemetery Caretaker:

One application for the Cemetery Maintenance was Received.

068/13 MOTION: Councillor Ensign that the Town approve the contract for Cemetery Maintenance with Donna Knull.

CARRIED

Mayor DeVloo asked the Foreman if the Legion Cemetery would be viable to take over. The Foreman felt it was worthwhile. Councillor Filipenko will be attending a meeting with the Legion and some of their longtime members before anything is finalized.

New Business:

Recreation Report:

Mayor DeVloo called upon Councillor Slemph to give the Recreation report.

- Alarms have been tested and found to be deficient. The deficiencies are being looked after.
- Instead of installing a new panel for the concert, a portable panel may be donated by Technation.
- Minor hockey rates have been raised to \$70.00/hr.
- Rec. Teams have been moved up to \$110.00/hr., with the exception of the teams that rent the ice for the entire season, they will still pay \$2,500.00/season.

Town Shop:

A quote for a shop storage facility was received. The C.A.O. and Foreman presented Council with information and options to proceed with all or a portion of the building.

069/13 MOTION: Councillor Filipenko that shop storage facility issue be tabled to the next Council meeting when more quotes can be obtained.

CARRIED

Jena Cole and Matt Hanger left the meeting at 8:18pm.

Summer Student Hiring:

Council was presented with the list of summer students that have been chosen for all summer jobs.

070/13 MOTION: Councillor Bain to go to an in camera session.

CARRIED

Council went in camera at 8:20pm.

071/13 MOTION: Councillor Zinger to come out of the in camera session.

CARRIED

Council came out of the in camera session at 8:30pm.

072/13 MOTION: Councillor that the summer student recommendations be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Councillor Slemp:

- Received information about boat docks from the beach committee. They are looking for wharfs and some upgrading at the beach area. Shawna James is looking into grants.

Councillor Wismer:

- FCSS have hired a new employee who will start May 1, 2013.

Councillor Filipenko:

- Will attend Legion meeting Wednesday, April 10.

Foreman:

- Removed arena ice.
- Working at the pool – getting dressing rooms ready for the new flooring.
- Adam has the pool chemical order ready. Staff will pick up all of the chemical.
- Crew is working on drainage system throughout Town.
- Foreman has been working on tenders/bids for storage shop and post office area.
- Working on transportation compliances.
- Will be doing 4 weeks of training sessions for the transportation audit – the sessions will be one each month for the next 4 months at our safety meetings.
- H2S Course at the hall tomorrow.
- Registering crew for upcoming courses.
- April 22 is TGG training here.
- Class 3 drivers tests were rescheduled to Apr. 17
- Thawed Halkirk sewer again today.

C.A.O.:

- The Rodeo Club has requested road closures for the Rodeo Parade to be held on July 27, 2013. They are asking to close 49th Ave. at 54th Street; 54th Street from 49th Ave. to 50th Ave.; 50th Ave. from 54th Street to 45th Street; 45th Street from 50th Ave. to 55th Ave.; 55th Ave. from 45th Street to 47th Street; 47th Street from 55th Ave. to 54th Ave.; 52nd Ave. from 54th Ave. to 49th Street; 49th Street from 52nd Ave. to 50th Ave.

073/13 MOTION: Councillor Bain that the Street closures as present by the Rodeo Club be approved.

CARRIED

- The Fire Department has requested that the alley between the arena and the curling rink be closed on April 18 for a “Party Program” presentation.

074/13 MOTION: Councillor Zinger that the alley closure be approved as presented.

CARRIED

- The arena suppression system & duct cleaning will be done on Saturday, April 13. It is being co-ordinated with the Golf Club.
- I will be away Wednesday afternoon, Thursday, and Friday of this week. The Assistant C.A.O. will also be away on Friday.

Mayor DeVloo:

- Attended a Lodge meeting on March 27th.
- Attended a hospital meeting on March 28th.
- Golf club meeting on April 2nd.
- Attended the fire agreement meeting on April 4th.

Adjournment:

075/13 MOTION: Councilor Wismer that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 8:48p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER