

**Minutes of the  
Regular Meeting of the Council  
Of the Town Of Castor  
Held Monday, December 22, 2014  
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:**

Lonny Nelner, Brenda Wismer, Travis Ryan, Tony Nichols, Rod Zinger, Richard Elhard.

**Absent:**

**Also in Attendance:**

Donna Rowland – Assist. C.A.O.  
Arjan Van Heinen – Public Works Foreman

**Agenda:**

**266/14 MOTION:** Councillor Ryan that the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

**Delegations/Interviews:**

**Minutes:**

Council reviewed the minutes of the December 8, 2014 regular Meeting of Council. It was noted that the amount placed in the GIC at ATB was \$100,000.00 not \$200,000.00.

**267/14 MOTION:** Councillor Elhard that the Minutes of the December 8, 2014 Regular meeting of Council be approved with the correction.

CARRIED

**Accounts:**

The List of Accounts was presented to Council for payment.

*Councillor Nelner declared an interest in Account number 18139 payable to That's My Specialty.*

**268/14 MOTION:** Councillor Nichols that Account numbers 18110 to 18144 excluding account 18139 payable to That's My Specialty be approved for payment and that the list of Accounts be marked Schedule "A" and attached to these minutes of Council.

CARRIED

**269/14 MOTION:** Councillor Ryan that Account number 18139 be approved for payment.

CARRIED

*Councillor Nelner did not participate in any discussion concerning this account.*

**Gas & Water  
Comparisons:**

The Assist. C.A.O. presented Council with the Gas and Water Comparisons to November 30, 2014. We are still below 1% losses in the gas system and our total losses are only ½ of what they were last year at this time. The water system losses were slightly less for the month of November. We are now just under the total water losses for this time last year.

**270/14 MOTION:** Councillor Nelner that the Gas and Water Comparisons be accepted by Council as information.

CARRIED

**Correspondence:** No Correspondence

**Old Business:**

Bylaw 1035 – Utility  
Bylaw:

A Bylaw to provide for the levying and collecting of charges and rates for water service, sewer service, gas service, and garbage service.

**271/14 MOTION:** Councillor Zinger that Bylaw 1035

be given a first reading at this December 22, 2014 meeting of Council.

CARRIED

**272/14 MOTION:** Councillor Nelner that Bylaw 1035 be given a second reading at this December 22, 2014 meeting of Council.

CARRIED

**273/14 MOTION:** Councillor Nichols that Bylaw 1035 be read a third time at this December 22, 2014 meeting of Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**274/14 MOTION:** Councillor Elhard that Bylaw 1035 be read a third time and finally passed this 22 day of December, 2014.

CARRIED

**New Business:**

**Committee Reports:**

Councillor Nelner:

- Attended the December PEPS meeting where it was decided that they would go back to the Global petroleum show. Members will help with the set up only.
- PEPS is looking at promoting a business of the month and creating a float for local parades, etc. They are also looking at hosting a Made in Alberta supper with motivational speaker once a month.
- PEPS is applying for funding to start up a tourist booth in this region.
- New chairman is Diane Elliott and Vicki Horkoff is vice chair.

Councillor Wismer:

- Attended an ambulance meeting in December. A new ambulance has been purchased and is already in service.

Councillor Ryan:

- Has a Veteran Memorial meeting near the end of January.
- Paintearth lodge has 8 vacancies and the staff has been working together to relieve the cost of the vacancies. The no pet policy is being enforced.

Councillor Nichols:

- Cemetery committee along with Coronation and Halkirk members met with the County requesting funding for Capital purchasing. We received \$8000.00 for the capital purchase and our yearly funding will increase.
- Legion grant is hopefully coming and the CAO is getting pricing on equipment for the new year.

Councillor Elhard:

- Has received some complaints about the streetlights. If vehicles are parked on the streets the vehicles seem to eat up the light. We need a lamp that diffuses the light out.
- Our Christmas lights need brightening up.
- Received some complaints about the icy roads. Would the public works department be able to do some sanding.

Foreman:

- Vehicle inspections are done. Most repairs will be minor.
- Insulated at ambulance bay. Appears to have helped. May need to look at repairing the roof in the future.
- Harold fixed the airport lights.
- Public works have been replacing and repairing water meters from the list.

Mayor:

- Attended the PEPS meeting.
- Attended a PRWML meeting and requested the grant documentation to be received a week in advance to all members. Parameters will be tightened in regards to the grant.
- Has a Doctor recruitment meeting coming up.

**In-camera Discussion:**

CAO Evaluation/Wage: An in-camera discussion to discuss the C.A.O.'s evaluation and wage.

**275/14 MOTION:** Councillor Zinger that Council move to an in-camera session to discuss the C.A.O.'s evaluation and wage.

CARRIED

*Council moved to an in-camera session at 7:50 pm.*

*Arjan Van Hienen, Public Works Forman and Donna Rowland, Assistant C.A.O left the Council chambers at 7:51 p.m.*

*Donna Rowland, Assistant C.A.O returned to the Council Chambers at 8:04 p.m.*

**276/14 MOTION:** Councillor Zinger that Council come out of the in-camera session and return to the regular meeting of Council.

CARRIED

*Council came out of the in-camera session at 8:05 pm.*

**277/14 MOTION:** Councillor Zinger that a RRSP contribution be made for the C.A.O. of \$500.00 per month.

CARRIED

Adjournment:

**278/14 MOTION:** Councilor Wismer that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

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MAYOR

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ASSISTANT CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER