

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLAINE LAKE
HELD IN THE TOWN OFFICE
Monday, June 22nd, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crowder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

ATTENDANCE

Attending were Mayor Crowder; Councillors Kouznitsoff, Niessen, Popov, Barbara Woytiuk, Keith Woytiuk and Administrator Brad.

MINUTES

2009-168

B. Woytiuk

That the minutes of the regular meeting of May 19th, 2009, the public hearing minutes of May 19th, 2009 and the special meeting of May 25th, 2009 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Councillor Onishenko arrived at the meeting at 6:05 pm

FINANCIAL REPORTS

2009-169

Kouznitsoff

That the Financial Statement ending May 31st, 2009 and the Bank Reconciliation statement for the month of May, 2009 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Jason Weber – Public Works – attended and discussed activities of the public works department for the past month. Foreman Zarubiak is on holidays until July 8, 2009. Jason reported that grass cutting takes 3 days a week, and watering flowers takes 3 – ½ days per week. There was also discussion on permitting staff to bank overtime worked and take time off in lieu of being paid for it and trimming trees along street and in the back alleys.

Library Board – Walter Rusel, Kitty Larson and Elsie Mageria attended to discuss landscape plans for the Library Grounds. They would like to install a 4' chain link fence along the west boundary of the property. They are removing some of the flowerbeds as well as the boardwalk that extends from the front of the Library to Main St. They will be planting trees and shrubs on the grounds and will be offering resident's the opportunity to purchase trees/shrubs as memorials for family members. They expect the project to take 2 years to complete. They would like council to cover the cost of the chain link fence. Waldheim Lumber has quoted \$2,500. to \$3,000 and Nordac Fencing from Saskatoon has quoted \$3,678.00

EMPLOYEE BANKING OVERTIME HOURS

2009-170

Popov

That employees be permitted to accumulate a maximum of banked overtime equal to 3 days off (24 hours). Time off for banked overtime hours must be pre-approved by the Employee Relations Committee. Any additional overtime hours must be paid out at regular overtime rates.

CARRIED

Councillor B. Woytiuk declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting.

DONATION OF GAZEBO

2009-171

Popov

That we accept the donation from the Michael Dutchak family of a Gazebo in memory of Michael and Ida Dutchak. The family has requested that the gazebo be placed at the Library Grounds.

CARRIED

Councillor B. Woytiuk returned to the meeting.

REPORTS

2009-172

Kouznitsoff

That the following reports be accepted as filed:

1. Library Board Meeting – June 8/09 – Kouznitsoff
2. BLCA Meeting, May 21/09 – Popov
3. Redberry Biosphere Meeting, June 8/09 – Popov
4. RCMP policing report – Apr/09
5. Employee Time Sheets – May 10 – June 20/09
6. Water Analysis Reports – May 5 – June 8/09
7. Administrator's Report – June 22/09
8. Town Foreman's Report – June 22/09

CARRIED

FREE GARBAGE DAY AT TRANSFER STATION

2009-173

B. Woytiuk

That on July 18th, 2009 during regular transfer station hours, we will allow ratepayers to haul an amount equal to one ½ ton truck load of garbage to the transfer station for free. Any amounts exceeding a ½ ton truck load will be charged at regular transfer station rates. The RM of Blaine Lake has agreed to supply 1 extra person to assist at the landfill for that day and the Town will ask Jason Weber to work at the transfer station that day as well.

CARRIED

DREDGE LAGOON

2009-174

Onishenko

That we contact Klock Holdings Inc. and ask them to come and dredge the lagoon as soon as possible. Sludge is to be pumped into the second cell of the lagoon as per instructions from Mike Rathwell with Sask. Environment.

CARRIED

Mayor Crowder left the Chair, Deputy Mayor Onishenko assumed the Chair.

BLAINE LAKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BULLETIN BOARD

2009-175 Crowder

That a letter be sent to the Chamber of Commerce advising them that Council is not interested in having a bulletin board put on the Town Office lot. Council still feels that a new bulletin board placed beside their present bulletin board is a more appropriate place for this type of advertising. Historically, the public knows the board is there and the heavier pedestrian traffic in that area make it a better location for bulletin boards.

CARRIED

Mayor Crowder resumed the Chair.

WATER BILL FROM 101A 1ST AVE W

2009-176 Onishenko

That in view of the fact that the test report done on the water meter removed from 101A 1st Ave W indicates that there is a slight inaccuracy in the amount of water recorded on the meter, we credit the property owner with the overage charge and the penalty that was added to that charge.

CARRIED

BYLAW 2009-07 BUILDING BYLAW AMENDMENT

2009-177 K. Woytiuk

That Bylaw No. 2009-07 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 8/98 "The Building Bylaw" be read a first time.

CARRIED

2009-178 Kouznitsoff

That Bylaw No. 2009-07 be read a second time.

CARRIED

2009-179 Niessen

That Bylaw No. 2009-07 be given three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2009-180 Onishenko

That Bylaw No. 2009-07 as annexed hereto and forming part of these minutes be read a third time and adopted.

CARRIED

TAX ENFORCEMENT – 6 MONTH NOTICE

2009-181 K. Woytiuk

That the owners of Blk U, Plan BS2117 be served with the 6 month tax enforcement "Notice".

CARRIED

NORTH CENTRAL SASK. REGIONAL ENTERPRISE REGION MEMBERSHIP

2009-182 B. Woytiuk

That we purchase an annual membership with the North Central Saskatchewan Regional Enterprise Region for \$25.00.

CARRIED

NORTH CENTRAL RAIL LTD. SHARE PURCHASE

2009-183 Kouznitsoff

That we postpone consideration of purchasing shares with the North Central Rail Ltd. until the July 20th, 2009 Council meeting.

CARRIED

REINVEST GIC

2009-184 B. Woytiuk

That we reinvest the \$54,836.48 GIC with MGI Financial Inc. for 1 year at the best current market interest rate.

CARRIED

EXTENSION OF LOT OFFER TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT

2009-185 Onishenko

That we send a letter to Rene LaBerge with Sunshine Contracting Ltd. advising him that the Town is unable to extend the deadline for the start of construction on 114-2nd Ave W. (Lot 17, Block 4, Plan H3043 and Lot 26, Block 4, Plan 101587226).

CARRIED

ADVERTISE FOR TENDERS FOR TAX TITLE PROPERTY

2009-186 Popov

That Lot 3, Block 1, Plan H3043, (114 Main St.) and Lot 12, Block 1, Plan H3043 (105 Railway Ave W.), Tax Title Properties, be advertised for sale by Tender with the stipulations that the highest or only bidder may not necessarily be accepted, Tenders to close on July 20th, 2009 at 4:00 pm.

CARRIED

TAX TITLE PROPERTIES

2009-187 Onishenko

That any tax title properties currently owned by the Town, and that have been previously offered for sale, be available for sale to the public by way of the person or persons extending an offer to purchase to the Town. All offers will be reviewed by Council and decisions will be made as to whether or not they will be accepted on an individual basis.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

2009-188 B. Woytiuk

That the following correspondence be accepted and filed:

- 1. Martin's Lake – June 8/09 Minutes
- 2. SAMA – resolution at their AGM
- 3. Ken Neale – Excavation services
- 4. AKB Holdings – Development name

CARRIED

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

2009-189 K. Woytiuk

That we extend the summer student office position term of employment by one week, making the start date June 29th, 2009.

CARRIED

PURCHASE 1995 DODGE VAN

2009-190 Popov

That we purchase a 1995 Dodge Ram Light Van (Serial #2B7KB31Z9SK512391) from Blaine Lake Ambulance Care Ltd. in "as is" condition for \$1,000.00

CARRIED

Councillors Barbara Woytiuk and Jason Niessen declared a pecuniary interest and left Council Chambers.

APPROVE PAYMENT

2009-191 Onishenko

That cheques in the amount of \$337.02 payable to True Value Hardware; \$3,360.00 payable to J & A Construction; be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Councillor Barbara Woytiuk and Jason Niessen returned to the meeting.

APPROVE ACCOUNTS

2009-192 B. Woytiuk

That Cheque #'s 3449 to 3507 in the amount of \$50,197.10 and cheques in the amount of \$4,726.05 payable to A1 Trenching & Excavating Ltd, and \$1,957.25 payable to Concrete Experts be approved for payment.

CARRIED

ADJOURN

2009-193 K. Woytiuk

That we adjourn.

CARRIED

Adjournment – 9:55 p.m.

Date Approved: _____

Mayor: _____

Administrator: _____