

Village of Holden - Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Village Office on Tuesday, February 21, 2017

Present

Mayor Mark Giebelhaus, Councillors Tyler Bartel, Bernie Marko, Carl Marsh, and Brian Mattice; Chief Administrative Officer: Katherine Whiteside
Public in Attendance: seven

Call to Order

Mayor Giebelhaus called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Agenda

#1-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried

Minutes

#2-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that the minutes of the January 16, 2017 regular meeting be adopted as presented. Carried

#3-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Bartel that the minutes of January 31, 2017 special meeting be adopted as presented. Carried

Delegations

Brad Gara, from Community Futures - East Central Alberta office, spoke to Council about the history of the organization and the services they offer. Their goal is to help businesses become viable in start-up or expansion stages, when traditional bank financing is unavailable.

Financial

Cheque Listing

#4-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko approval of the cheque listing in the amount of \$92,855.31 numbered 20170021 to 20170078. Carried

Cash Statement

#5-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Bartel that the Monthly Cash Statement be received as information. Carried

Unfinished Business

Action List

The current action list was reviewed. TAME+ program for energy efficiency upgrades was discussed, as it may apply to the proposed work on the administration building. Administration will gather further information and report back to Council.

Strategic Priorities

Current activities related to the list of Strategic Priorities were reviewed.

REACH / CARES

#6-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that Council approve the proposed REACH program, contingent on approval by the other two partners, and that Holden agree to be the managing partner for the CARES funding application and that a formal request for participation be sent to the Village of Ryley and Beaver County with the funding breakdown as presented. Carried

L. Grinde

#7-2-17

MOVED by Mayor Giebelhaus that the letter from Larry Grinde be received as information and that discussion be held during the in camera session. Carried

Board Appt. Policy

#8-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that Council approve the Policy-Procedure for Council Board Appointments as presented. Carried

Handivan

#9-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that Council propose releasing ownership of the handivan vehicle to the Holden Handivan Society at a cost of \$1 with an agreement that the vehicle be transferred back to the Village of Holden in the event that the Society ceases to operate. Carried

Unfinished Business (cont'd)

Vegreville
#10-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that two Councillors be authorized to attend the February 14, 2017 Town of Vegreville meeting regarding closure of the Case Processing Centre (post-event approval) and that the letters from Mayor Myron Hayduk and Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Ahmed Hussen regarding Holden's support of the Town of Vegreville be received as information. Carried

Budget Planning

Council directive that some budget discussion should be prepared for the March regular meeting, and that the April special council meeting focus further on capital planning and the 2017 budget.

New Business

Hall Association
#11-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that the report from the Holden Community Hall Association be received as information and that Council encourage the association to continue looking for new members so that it may remain operational. Carried

Lagoon
Maintenance

Council directed administration to proceed with a quote request for lagoon sludge removal services from Beaver Municipal Solutions; and a request for contract work from Beaver County for the clean-out of the ditch adjacent to cell #6 at the lagoon.

Volunteer
Appreciation
#12-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Bartel approval by Council of a Volunteer Appreciation event, to be held on Monday, April 24, 2017. Carried

#13-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that the Village of Holden apply for a National Volunteer Week (NVW) Grant to assist with the costs of the 2017 Volunteer Appreciation event. Carried

HRC
#14-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that Council approve the chair and vice-chair appointments, and the proposed budget of \$2,000 for the Heritage Resources Committee in 2017. Carried

Council also directed administration to send a letter of thanks to the HRC for their hard work and dedication.

Council took a five-minute break at 8:37 pm.

Victim Services
#15-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that Village of Holden contribute \$500 to Beaver County Victim Services in 2017 for operating costs. Carried

Veg Tourism Ad
#16-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Bartel that Council approve a 1/8 page ad in the tourism publication *In & Around Vegreville 2017* at a cost of \$159. Carried

RAIL Commons
#17-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that Village of Holden contribute \$250 to the 2017 Alberta Centre for Sustainable Rural Communities event, RAIL Commons. Carried

Local to Global
#18-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that Council authorize all Councillors to attend the Local to Global forum in Camrose, March 1-3. Carried
Councillor Marsh will attend part of the forum as a BRAED member.

Tofield Ministerial
#19-2-17

MOVED by Mayor Giebelhaus that the invitation to the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast be approved for attendance by the Mayor or Deputy Mayor. Carried

Councillor Reports

#20-2-17

Councillor reports and board minutes were distributed by email. Discussion was also held on the Brownlee Municipal Law seminar.

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that the Councillor reports be accepted as presented. Carried

CAO Report

#21-2-17

The CAO report was distributed by email. Regional census figures were added.

MOVED by Councillor Mattice acceptance of the CAO report. Carried

Correspondence

#22-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that the correspondence listed on the agenda be received and filed. Carried

In Camera

#23-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that Council meet in camera at 9:14 pm. Carried

#24-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that Council return to an open meeting at 10:18 pm. Carried

#25-2-17

MOVED by Councillor Bartel that the proposed sale of land to Sarah Adams and Arthur Honke be approved for \$2,500 land cost, plus costs of subdivision and cost of curb reduction; and that a proposed sale agreement be drafted, including the following conditions: a) that the Village will have free access to the drainage swale at all times and b) that the purchased plot must be landscaped and finished to the satisfaction of the Development Authority. Carried

General Discussion

Electronic agenda procedures were reviewed.

Adjournment

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that the meeting adjourn at 10:25 pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER