

Village of Holden - Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held in the Village Office on Monday, March 20, 2017

Present

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

Absent

Councillor Tyler Bartel

Call to Order

Mayor Giebelhaus called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

Agenda

#4-3-17

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

Minutes

#5-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that the minutes of the February 21, 2017 regular meeting be adopted as presented. Carried

#6-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that the minutes of March 6, 2017 special meeting be adopted as presented. Carried

Delegations

Sgt. John Powell of the RCMP, Tofield detachment, updated Council on the final 2016 report for Beaver County with a comparison to the previous year. Call volume has increased substantially especially in the areas of fraud cases and traffic collisions. A copy of the statistics was reviewed, and crime rates are up in most areas. Council highlighted their priorities as youth out on the streets late at night, property crime, traffic enforcement, and police presence in the community. The Holden surveillance cameras have helped in solving crimes and also act as a deterrent.

Financial

Cheque Listing
#7-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko approval of the cheque listing in the amount of \$44,732.61 numbered 20170079 to 20170128. Carried

Cash Statement
#8-3-17

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

Budget Planning

Council reviewed the following documents as part of 2017 budget planning: Assessment Summary / 2-year Comparison, Multi-Year Capital Infrastructure Plan, 2016 Budget Projects Report, 2017 Budget Projects Summary, and Reserves – draft Year-End 2016.

Unfinished Business

Action List

An updated Action List was reviewed.

Strategic Plan

Strategic Plan / Priorities were reviewed and action items noted.

REACH

An update on the REACH proposal: Beaver County has approved their involvement; Ryley will discuss the proposal this week; CARES funding agreement has been received and is ready to be signed upon final approval.

BMS

A Joint Council Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 5:00 pm in the Tofield Arena meeting room to review a progress report from the Beaver Municipal Solutions - Steering Committee re structural re-organization.

Unfinished Business (cont'd)

Volunteer Appreciation

Volunteer Appreciation has been scheduled for Monday, April 24. Councillors were asked to assist with set-up, meal preparation, or clean-up if possible. The Volunteer Week Enhancement grant was approved in the amount of \$1,000 as a joint project with Beaver County and FCSS.

Public Behaviour Bylaw

A draft of the Public Behaviour Bylaw was distributed for Council consideration. Consensus was to take time to review the document and bring it back for discussion at the next meeting.

New Business

Beaver Seed Cleaning Co-op
#9-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that administration respond to the letter from Beaver County Seed Cleaning Co-op to advise that the weight restriction on 47 Avenue will be examined in an upcoming Traffic Bylaw review, and that it will remain in place until that time. Carried

Cattle Show
#10-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that the Village support the 2017 Holden Junior Cattle Show with a silver sponsorship in the amount of \$1,000. Carried

Neighbourhood Watch
#11-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that the Village provide a 2017 operating grant to the Holden Neighbourhood Watch Society in the amount of \$250. Carried

Energy Audit
#12-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that Council approve a Detailed Energy Audit for the Village administration building to be conducted by Atco Energy Sense up to a cost of \$3,500. Carried

Cadets
#13-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that Councillor Marsh be approved to attend the local Sea Cadets meeting and do a presentation regarding local government on March 23, 2017. Carried

Council took a five minute break at 9:26 pm.

Councillor Reports

Councillor reports and board minutes were distributed by email. Discussion followed on: Highway 14 Water and an upcoming rates increase; BRAED will be hiring a new director; Councillor Marko has volunteered for a committee project with Northern Lights Library System; EDC is doing a business trade fair at the Cattle Show; and BESC is reviewing their capital plan.

#14-3-17

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

CAO Report

The CAO report was distributed by email. Discussion was held on the water main connection to take place on Main Street with 47 Avenue to accommodate the new commercial development.

#15-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice acceptance of the CAO report. Carried

Correspondence
#16-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marko that the correspondence listed on the agenda be received as information. Carried

In Camera

#17-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Mattice that Council meet in camera at 9:45 pm.
Carried

#18-3-17

MOVED by Councillor Marsh that Council return to an open meeting at 10:16 pm. Carried

Adjournment

MOVED by Councillor Marko that the meeting adjourn at 10:18 pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
