

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Friday, February 17, 2017

The regular meeting of Improvement District No. 4 Council was held at the Waterton Community Centre in Waterton Lakes National Park on Friday, February 17, 2017.

Those in Attendance:

Chair Brian Reeves, Councillors: Brian Baker, Jody Thaell, and Dennis Pollock

CAO Scott Barton

Absent: Councillor Ken Black

Call to Order: Chair Brian Reeves called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6:30 pm.

Adoption of Agenda

01-02-17-17 MOVED by Councillor Jody Thaell that the agenda be adopted as amended.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Parks Canada Report - Bob Elliot, Town Site Manager

Bob Elliot discussed: Canada 150 Planning; issues related to this year's increase in seasonal staffing, Vimy Ridge Celebrations the 1st week in April, RCMP Facility situation, and Fire Hall availability.

AAMDC Convention

Council discussed attending the AAMDC Convention scheduled for March 20 – 22, 2017. Council decided not to attend the convention. They directed administration to invite the Minister of Municipal Affairs to Waterton this summer to meet with Council.

Medical Clinic Report

Councillor Jody Thaell reviewed her ongoing discussions with Alberta Health Services (AHS). She hopes to have another meeting with AHS in March. Councillor Thaell also reported that Lorne Low will be opening a dental office in Waterton this summer.

Alberta First Responders' Radio Communications System (AFRRCS)

Chair Brian Reeves reported on a meeting with Cardston County regarding the AFRRCS and the possibility of a radio repeater being installed on the Prince of Wales Hotel Tower.

Waterton Springs Campground

Chair Brian Reeves reported on the Waterton Springs Campground which is schedule to be shut down by the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) in November 2017. The NCC then plan to remediate the property back to its natural



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state. The Council discussed their concerns and the impacts the closure of the campground will have on the availability of accommodations for seasonal employees and visitors to the Park and area. They further discussed their course of action to preserve the campground, which includes arranging a meeting with the Honorable Shannon Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks.

Snow Removal

Council discussed expressed concerns over the recent snow removal efforts of Parks Canada with Townsite Manager Bob Elliot.

Post Office

Council discussed the emergent project of locating the Post Office in the Lions Hall. The proposed renovations to the Hall were discussed. Canada Post will rent the space. The project is being supported with a great deal of volunteer effort from community residents and Parks Canada. The Post Office is schedule to open on April 1, 2017.

Correspondence

02-02-17-17 MOVED by Chair Brian Reeves that the Correspondence be accepted as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Next Council Meeting

The next regular meeting of Council is scheduled for February 17, 2017 in the Community Centre at 6:30pm.

Adjournment

03-02-17-17

MOVED by Councillor Jody Thaell that Council Meeting adjourn at 7:05 pm.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED