

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2015 IN THE TOWN OF SUNDRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT Mayor Terry Leslie, Councillors Jodi Orr, Chris Vardas, Myron Thompson, Cheri Funke, Paul Isaac

STAFF Dave Dubauskas, CAO
Wanda Watson-Neufeld, Director of Corporate Services
Angie Lucas, Director of Planning & Operational Services
Judy Edge, Legislative Assistant

ABSENT Councillor McFadden

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leslie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a moment of reflection.

Councillor McFadden arrived at 6:02 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

209/15 Councillor Funke moved that the Town of Sundre Council adopt the agenda as presented with the addition of New Business 9.4. – Library Support Letter. **CARRIED.**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

July 7, 2015 Regular Council Minutes

210/15 Councillor Orr moved that the Town of Sundre Council approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 7, 2015 as presented. **CARRIED**

PUBLIC ADDRESS

PRESENTATIONS

Youth Employment Centre

Karen Strocher, Michele Brewster and Marnie Ragan from the Personal Empowerment and Employment Program (PEEP) came to inform Council that this organization is being located at the Elks Hall in Sundre from September 1, through December 31, 2015. The program is for young people ages 16 to 20 who are not currently attending school or working. This program gives them the opportunity to identify skills and abilities, and to successfully integrate into employment opportunities. Participants have the opportunity to be paid minimum wage while being trained. This program is sponsored by Government of Canada's Skills Link Program and has an 86% success rate. PEEP has successfully been located in Sylan Lake, Olds, Innisfail, Bowden, Didsbury and now Sundre. Applications can be obtained from Greenwood Neighbourhood Place.



Mayor Leslie thanked the group for coming to Sundre and all agreed this was a very valuable program to be offering. Councillor Thompson commented that the Information Centre would be a good place for the participants to be able to work. The Information Centre can use all the help they can get but cannot afford to pay for employees. Since the government pays them minimum wage this would work out very well.

- 211/15** Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council accept the Personal Empowerment and Employment Program for information purposes. **CARRIED**

Live Elements Yoga – Melissa Shippy

Ms. Shippy presented a summary of the past few months that Live Elements Yoga has been going through to try to find a solution to rent the Activity Centre for a reasonable price. Considering Live Elements Yoga had not received a preferred reply from the Town, they have rented another space from September 1st until December 31st, 2015 and hope to come to an agreement with Council so as to rent the Activity Centre beginning January 1st, 2016. Ms. Shippy would like to possibly purchase the building if the Town is considering selling it. She still wishes to rent the facility beginning January 1st if a reasonable price can be agreed upon.

Councillor Vardas suggests that selling the building may be the answer to resolving this issue and to come up with a solution prior to January 1st, 2016.

Mayor Leslie stated that Administration would work with Live Elements Yoga to come up with an agreeable solution. Dave Dubauskas, CAO, asked Ms. Shippy to contact him in October to begin negotiations. Ms. Shippy requires an agreement by mid-October so as to make suitable arrangements for January 1, 2016.

Councillor Thompson suggests that the Town accept the offer from Ms. Shippy to purchase the building from the Town.

Mayor Leslie stated that there is a public procedure to follow for the Town to sell property. And the building is still located on Town land.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Convention Attendees

- 212/15** Councillor Orr moved that the Town of Sundre Council confirm the Legislative Services Report on conference attendance. **CARRIED**

Council Retreat

- 213/15** Councillor Orr moved that the Town of Sundre Council approve a Council Retreat to be held on October 16 – 18, 2015 at the Banff Park Lodge in Banff, Alberta. **CARRIED**

AND

- 214/15** Councillor Orr moved that the Town of Sundre Council approve Administration to hire a facilitator to conduct the retreat. **DEFEATED.**

NEW BUSINESS**Change of Council Committee Appointments****215/15**

Councillor Funke moved that the Town of Sundre Council moves to appoint Council members as follows:

- Downtown Area Revitalization Committee – Councillors Vardas and Funke;
- Fire Advisory Committee – Councillors Isaac and Funke;
- Greenwood Area Planning Partnership – Mayor Leslie and Councillors Isaac and Funke; Councillor Thompson, as alternate;
- Greenwood Neighbourhood Place/FCSS – Councillors Funke and McFadden, as alternate;
- Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board – Councillors Thompson and Funke, as alternate;
- Mountain View Regional Emergency Management Agency – Mayor Leslie and Councillor Funke, Councillor Thompson, as alternate;
- Sundre and District Aquatic Society – Mayor Leslie and Councillor Funke, as alternate.
- Sundre Regional Recreation Advisory Committee – Councillor Funke and Councillor Vardas, as alternate.

CARRIED**Solid Waste/Recycling – Can Pak****216/15**

Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council table the motion regarding Can Pak Environment Inc. until the next Regular Council Meeting on September 14, 2015. **CARRIED**

Community Centre Repair**217/15**

Councillor Isaac moved to allocate \$8,000 from the Community Centre Joint/Tenant reserves to cover the cost of fixing the water leak on the main water line on the ceiling at the Community Centre with the work to be done by Diversified Maintenance Plumbing and Heating. **CARRIED**

Sundre Municipal Library Support Letter**218/15**

Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council moves to approve a support letter to the Sundre Municipal Library for future grant applications. **CARRIED**

Mayor Leslie called a ten-minute recess at 7:55 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:05 p.m.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councillor Thompson attended the RDRMUG meeting in Drumheller on July 16, 2015 and stated that it was well attended. Chairperson, Keith Ryder stated that the same discussions have occurred over the last 40 years and nothing has been done. It is the MLA's that can make the changes and they are the ones that need to attend these meetings not their counterparts.

Mayor Leslie thanked Councillor Thompson for arranging the meeting with Brian Jean, Wildrose Leader of the Opposition, to discuss flood mitigation being done by Alberta Transportation on the Red Deer riverbank below the Sundre Bridge. Mayor Leslie asked Councillor Thompson if they could work together to bring some change regarding the Red Deer River.

Councillor Isaac mentioned that he has had three people state the same thing, "that they are tired of living in Sundre where the Town does nothing and the MVC does less". Councillor Thompson agreed that he has been hearing the same thing and they are different people making these comments.

Councillor Orr wanted to thank Mr. & Mrs. Boucher for helping to serve hotdogs and hamburgers at the July 1st Councillor barbecue. She couldn't have done it without them.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE

July 31, 2015 Alberta Municipal Affairs (SCF)

July 13, 2015 Mountain View County

219/15 Councillor Orr moved that the Town of Sundre Council receive the above correspondence for information. **CARRIED**

IN-CAMERA

220/15 Councillor Orr moved that the Town of Sundre Council go In-camera at 8:25 p.m. **CARRIED**

Dave Dubauskas, CAO, left the meeting at 9:10 p.m. to avoid conflict of interest.

221/15 Councillor Funke moved that the Town of Sundre Council come out of in-camera at 9:14 p.m. **CARRIED**

222/15 Councillor Vardas moved that the Town of Sundre Council continue the Regular Council Meeting beyond three hours at 9:14 p.m. **CARRIED**

223/15 Councillor McFadden move that the Town of Sundre Council return to In-camera at 9:15 p.m. **CARRIED**

224/15 Councillor Thompson moved that the Town of Sundre Council come out of In-camera at 10:24 p.m. **CARRIED**

NOTION OF MOTION

225/15 Councillor Thompson moved that a motion be brought forward to the Regular Council Meeting on September 14, 2015 that Administration undertakes to create a *Request for Proposal* for a five-year contract for its Engineering Services before the end of 2015 and advertises this no later than January of 2016. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

226/15 Councillor Thompson moved that a motion be brought forward to the Regular Council Meeting on September 14, 2015 to provide employment opportunities for youth participating in the Personal Empowerment and Employment Program in Sundre. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

ADJOURNMENT

227/15 Councillor Isaac moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 p.m. **CARRIED**



Mayor

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.



Chief Administrative Officer

