

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUNDRE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2008 IN THE TOWN OF SUNDRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT

Mayor Roy Cummings, Councilors Annette Clews, Joe Henze, Pat Toone, George Taylor, Bob McIntyre, and Gale Henderson White

STAFF

N. Bartholow, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Fipke, Executive Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT

Dan Singleton, Sundre Round-Up
Wendy Dichrow, Greenwood Neighbourhood Place
Michael Baird, Sundre Municipal Library Manager
Jan Lahring, Sundre Municipal Library Board
Barbara Bell, Sundre Municipal Library Board
Michelle Bixby, Chamber of Commerce
James Eklund, Chamber of Commerce
Marty Mennear, Chamber of Commerce

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roy Cummings called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with a moment of reflection.

AGENDA APPROVAL

339/08 Councilor George Taylor moved to approve the agenda with the additions.
CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

340/08 Councilor Joe Henze moved to adopt the Monday, November 17, 2008 Regular Council Minutes as presented. **CARRIED.**

DELEGATIONS

2009 FCSS Budget – Wendy Dichrow, Greenwood Neighbourhood Place

Wendy Dichrow presented the 2009 FCSS Budget to Council. Administrative costs have increased. There was some difficulty in determining rent costs for 2009.

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There was discussion regarding the rental costs for all tenants in the Sundre Community Centre and determining what those costs are going to be so that the tenants are able to prepare their budgets appropriately.

There was discussion regarding the FCSS budget and questions were answered.

Wendy advised that the focus for 2008 was inter-communication and for 2009 the focus will be on seniors and senior programming.

2009 Sundre Municipal Library Budget – Michael Baird, Library Manager

Michael Baird presented the 2009 Sundre Municipal Library Budget to Council.

There was discussion and questions answered regarding the budget.

There is a new “material drop” that is being installed. It had arrived damaged, but once fixed and installed it will better protect the materials that are dropped off after hours.

There is steady use of the computers and computer training is being offered.

The province has provided funding of the Supernet in the past but is withdrawing that funding so Parkland Regional Library is looking into covering that cost.

2009 Visitor Information Centre – Jim Eklund, Chamber of Commerce

Jim Eklund of the Chamber of Commerce advised that member fees are being drained by the Visitor Information Centre.

There is a decrease in membership with the Chamber of Commerce.

There was discussion regarding alternatives for funding. There are approximately 90 members of the Chamber of Commerce. There was discussion regarding how much other municipalities charge for business licenses and the possibility of using some of that money to support the Visitor Information Centre.

Administration requested statistics from Michelle Bixby on Visitor Information Centres and how they are run in other regions.

There was discussion regarding projects that the Chamber has on the go and if any of them could be dropped in order to allow the focus of the Chambers' time and funds to be targeted to just one possibly two projects.

There was discussion regarding the creation of a partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Committee.

Mayor Roy Cummings temporarily adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Roy Cummings reconvened the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Sundre Figure Skating Club Donations

There was discussion regarding what was available for donation.

- 341/08** Councilor Pat Toone moved to approve the purchase of a Sundre History Book by the Town of Sundre and subsequent donation to the Sundre Figure Skating Club to assist in the production of their annual Figure Skating Carnival taking place March 22, 2009, at 1:00 pm at the Sundre Arena. **CARRIED.**

Tanker Truck Donation to Mountain Aire Lodge

There was discussion regarding the Tanker Truck.

- 342/08** Councilor George Talyor moved to defer this matter to the next Council Meeting. **CARRIED.**

There was direction to Administration to find out more information from Mountain View County and to find out the value of the truck.

Outlook Market Research Final Report

- 343/08** Councilor George Taylor moved to accept the Final Report for the New Arena Needs Assessment as presented by Outlook market Research & Consulting Ltd. **CARRIED.**

Sundre History Book Proceeds Donation

- 344/08** Councilor Joe Henze moved to approve that all proceeds from the sales of the Sundre History Book be donated to the Sundre & District Historical Society. **CARRIED.**

There was direction to Administration to provide the Visitor Information Centre with copies of the History Book for sale.

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Prairies 2 Peaks Financial Support

- 345/08** Councilor Bob McIntyre moved to defer the contribution of funding to budget deliberations. **CARRIED.**

2009 Interim Operating Budget

- 346/08** Councilor Bob McIntyre moved to adopt the 2008 Operating Budget as the Interim Budget for 2009. **CARRIED.**

Council & Governance Meeting Cancellations

There was much discussion regarding the projects that need to be completed.

- 346/08** Councilor Annette moved to cancel the December 15, 2008, Governance Meeting, the December 29, 2008, Council Meeting, and the December 22, 2008 Municipal Planning Commission Meeting. **CARRIED.**

FINANCE**Cash Statement & Reserves**

The Cash Statement and Reserves for the month ending October 31, 2008, were presented to Council.

- 347/08** Councilor Pat Toone moved to accept the Cash Statement and Reserves for the month ending October 31, 2008, as presented. **CARRIED.**

REPORTS

Activity Reports for November were received from Councilors Annette Clews, Gale Henderson White, Joe Henze, George Taylor, Bob McIntyre, **Pat Toone**, and Mayor Roy Cummings.

Councilor George Taylor commented on the positive impact of Debbie Hilts attendance at the Federation of Gas Coops Convention. He advised that she represented Sundre extremely well, asked pertinent questions, was knowledgeable in the program, and networked with others in the industry she knew by name but did not have the opportunity to meet thus far.

Councilor Joe Henze reported on the aquatic centre funding initiatives and upcoming events.

The Development Permit Report for the month ending November 30, 2008, and the year-to-date was received by Council.

The Fire Department Incident Report for the month ending November 30, 2008, and the year-to-date was received by Council.

347/08 Councilor Joe Henze moved to accept all of the reports listed above as presented. **CARRIED.**

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

348/08 Councilor George Taylor moved that the meeting of the whole go in camera at 9:00 p.m. **CARRIED.**

349/08 Councilor George Taylor moved that the meeting revert back to an open meeting at 10:30 p.m. **CARRIED.**


350/08 Councilor Pat Toone moved that Mayor Roy Cummings sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the County and request that Mountain View County sign it and honour their commitment to the Town of Sundre and the Municipal Library. **CARRIED.**

351/08 Councilor George Taylor moved at 10:35 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. **CARRIED**



MAYOR

I hereby certify that the minutes are correct.



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

