

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BIGHORN NO. 8

Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 9th, 2008 in the Council Chambers, MD office, with the following persons present:

COUNCIL:

DENE COOPER	REEVE
MARIA DUNKI	DEPUTY REEVE
PAUL ADAMS	COUNCILLOR
HUGH PEPPER	COUNCILLOR
PAUL RYAN	COUNCILLOR

ADMINISTRATION:

MARTIN BUCKLEY	CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
NATALIE GERMANN	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
HUGH PETTIGREW	DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
KATHERINE VAN KEIMPEMA	DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
GREG BIRCH	COMMUNITY PLANNER

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Cooper called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following additions were made to the agenda:

- New Business item H.13: Municipal Affairs Workshops
- New Business item H.14: Mailbox placement for Ward Four
- In Camera K.3: Land Issues

Moved by Councillor Adams that the agenda be adopted with the above-noted amendments.

CARRIED

B. MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Ryan that the August 12th 2008 minutes be adopted with an amendment in item C. Councilor's Reports, to read "BRBC representative Hugh Pepper, met with..." to clarify his capacity at that meeting.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Adams that the June 2, 2008 FEDC Minutes and the July 16, 2008 MPC Meeting Minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Reeve Cooper called
mtg. to order at 9:00
am

R: 217/08
Aug 08 Council
Agenda adopted as
amended

R: 218/08
August 12th 2008
minutes be adopted
with amendment

R: 219/08 June 2,
2008 FEDC Minutes,
July 16th, 2008 MPC
Minutes



C. COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

- Councillor Pepper: Met with the Benchlands Community Association on September 6th. In regards to the Ground Water Conference, the Headwaters Strategic Plan is in draft format, though not finalized. He has submitted his comments to the author and finalization is forth-coming.

- Reeve Cooper: Reported he had a meeting with representatives of the Sunchild First Nation band who are currently searching for the body of a presumed drowned band member, in the Bow River between Canmore and the Seebe Transalta dams. The Nation wanted to know if the M.D. played any part in the search and rescue for their lost member; Reeve Cooper indicated that, while the M.D. could play a role, the M.D.'s resources and man-power were not capable in participating, due to lack of training in river rescues, at this stage of the search and rescue. Reeve Cooper also noted concerns from residents regarding cemetery usage/availability.
- Councillor Ryan: Noted Lafarge is planning a community meeting in Exshaw to discuss the concerns with plant operations.

- Councillor Adams: Reported on his participation with WildSmart.

- Deputy Reeve Dunki had nothing to report.

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES/NOTES

1. Moved by Councillor Ryan that Council accept Kananaskis Guest Ranch Conceptual Plan as suitable for consideration for adoption pursuant to the MD's Conceptual Plan Approval Policy P-10, with the following notations/amendments:
 - provided that "Appendix A: Proposed Bylaw Amendment and District Map Amendment" section, and any specific references to this Appendix that may be contained in the Conceptual Plan text, are deleted;
 - the Table of Contents section is formatted correctly (aligned properly);
 - pages 24 – 27 are removed;
 - page 22, section 8.2, the sentence"Ownership of ...corporate structure." needs clarification;and, further that Council obtain public comments on this draft Conceptual Plan at the same time as it obtains comments at the public hearing for draft Bylaw 09-Z/08, the proposed Kananaskis Ranch (KR) District.

CARRIED

2. Moved by Deputy Reeve Dunki that Council direct staff to review the current Land Use Bylaw policies regarding hotel/motel/tourist resort ownership styles and operational styles during the formal Land Use Bylaw review process that is underway, rather than as a separate project.

CARRIED


R: 220/08
Kananaskis Guest
Ranch Conceptual
Plan

R: 221/08
Land Use Bylaw
Hotel/Motel
ownership

E. DELEGATIONS

Sandi Riemersma, Environmental Biologist of Palliser Environmental Services Ltd. presented the Terms of Reference for the Jumpingpound Watershed Management Plan. The plan's purpose is to work towards an environmentally and economically healthy watershed that benefits all who have a stake in it.

While not formally requested, it was indicated that the M.D. would be expected to provide funding towards this project, given that the Jumpingpound has some of its headwaters in our municipality.

Councillor Ryan asked if the 2009 budget had been set yet and Ms. Riemersma answered it had not.

Councilor Ryan asked if the group would become part of government bureaucracy, where their approval would be required on future building projects. Ms. Riemersma explained it would not, though the group's opinion would be considered when such projects came up.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was nothing to report at this time.

G. BYLAWS

1. Deputy Reeve Dunki moved that Council give third reading to Bylaw 14/08, to authorize the Planning & Development Officer to consolidate the Land Use Bylaw and all amendments thereto, with the amendment of revising page 5.5.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

After discussion, it was noted that Page 5.5 was not part of Bylaw 14/08, and therefore should not have been a part of Deputy Reeve Dunki's third reading motion.

Moved by Councillor Ryan that Deputy Reeve Dunki's motion for third reading be amended by deleting the wording "with the amendment of revising Page 5.5."

CARRIED

2. Moved by Councillor Ryan that council set the public hearing date for draft Bylaw 09-Z/08, a bylaw amending the Land Use Bylaw as it applies to Lot A, Plan 0110091 (Kananaskis Guest Ranch), to be held at the MD Office on Monday, October 20, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

CARRIED

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Moved by Councillor Ryan that Council accepts for information, the payroll cheques issued report for EFT numbers 681 - 737 in the amount of \$71,146.79 and the register for A/P cheques issued and voided cheques, numbers 23784 to 23966 in the net amount of \$212,260.81 for the month of August 2008.

CARRIED



R:222/08
Third Reading of
Bylaw 14/08

R:222(a)/08
Amendment to Res.
222/08 above

R:223/08
Public Hearing Date
set.

R:224/08
Cheques Issued
Report for July, 2008

R: 225/08
Budget vs Actual
June 2008 accepted
and approved.

2. Moved by Deputy Reeve Dunki that Council review and accept the Balance Sheet and Budget vs. Actual Spending Report to August 31, 2008 as information before adjustments and review by the auditor.

CARRIED

R: 226/08
Approval of expense
claims

3. Moved by Councillor Adams approve payment for the following meeting expense claims, from the Contingency Allowance:

Date	Councillor	Purpose	Amount
21 July	Reeve Cooper Coun. Adams Coun. Ryan	Meeting re Canmore Cemetery concerns	\$150.00 each + mileage for one
5 Aug	Reeve Cooper	Prime Minister's funding announcement at Banff (Highway twinning project)	\$150.00 + mileage
18 Aug	Reeve Cooper	Minister of Mun. Affairs session in Airdrie	\$150.00
21 Aug	Reeve Cooper	AUMA Board of Directors meeting in Canmore	\$150.00 + mileage
30 Aug	Coun. Pepper	Cumulative Effects meeting with Min. of SRD	\$150.00 + mileage

CARRIED

4. Due to a statutory holiday on the same day as the regular November 2008 Council meeting and the AAMDC meeting being held the same week, the CAO suggested Council change the date of the November 2008 regular Council meeting.

Moved by Councilor Pepper That Council change the November 2008 regular meeting date to November 3, 2008 and request Administration provide notice to the public, as per the Municipal Government Act requirements, by posting the change at the M.D. office and on the M.D.'s web-site.

CARRIED

R: 227/08
Change of Council
Meeting date

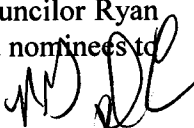
5. Moved by Deputy Reeve Dunki that Council approve amendments to the MD policy manual as circulated:

- revisions to M.D. policy H-1, Personnel Policy, adding provisions for travel time compensation for employees, and provisions for senior management time-in-lieu.
- revisions to M.D. policy H-4, Vacation/Benefits/Leave Policy, deleting the provisions for an extra week of holidays for Management staff, and adding provisions for Bereavement Leave.
- new policy H-11, the Compressed Work Week policy.

CARRIED

R: 228/08
MD Policy
Amendments

6. Council discussed the proposed Special Friends of Bighorn Award policy. Councilor Ryan expressed his belief that only Councillors should be permitted to bring forward nominees to



ensure that nominees for the award are appropriate; also, he felt that if a nominee is not brought forth by a Councillor the award would not be Council-based.

R: 229/08
Policy Amendment
-defeated

Moved by Councillor Ryan that proposed Policy CS-6, Special Friends of Bighorn award policy, be amended to stipulate that nominations must be endorsed by one member of Council before going to the Municipal Excellence Committee.

DEFEATED

R: 230/08
Special Friends of
Bighorn Award
Policy CS-6

Moved by Councillor Pepper that Council approve proposed Policy CS-6, the Special Friends of Bighorn Award policy.

CARRIED

(Councillor Ryan Opposed)

7. Council discussed at length the possibility of a pay increase and increases to travel and communication budgets for Councillors in the 2009 budget. Councillor Ryan pointed out that Council's decision on pay increases could be made not for the current Council, but for the next Council and should therefore be tabled until the 2010 budget talks. Deputy Reeve Dunki commented that in six years on Council, though the costs of travel and communications have increased considerably, the budget for these costs have not changed.

R: 231/08
Adjustments to
Council
Remuneration

Moved by Deputy Reeve Dunki that \$5,500.00 be added to the upcoming 2009 draft budget so a Councillor Health and Wellness account and a communication allowance increase be taken into consideration.

CARRIED

8. Moved by Councillor Pepper that Council authorize Administration to award the North Ranchlands snow removal/summer blading contract to the low bidder KJU Contracting Inc. and enter into a three (3) year service agreement based on the tender submission.

R: 232/08
North Ranchlands
Snow removal
Summer Blading
Contract

CARRIED

9. Moved by Councillor Adams that Council authorize Administration to award the South Ranchlands snow removal/summer blading contract to Leo Brown Contracting and enter into a three (3) year service agreement based on the tender submission.

R: 233/08
South Ranchlands
Snow removal
Summer Blading
Contract

CARRIED

10. Council discussed the issue of the Pigeon Creek pedestrian bridge and concerns were raised about its safety and the MD's liability. Councillor Adams added that a sign explaining why the bridge was removed should be posted until the bridge can be rebuilt in 2009. He also suggested that until the bridge is removed a "Closed" sign should also be posted.

R: 234/08
Pigeon Creek
Pedestrian Bridge

Moved by Councilor Adams that Council a) authorize the removal of the pedestrian bridge across Pigeon Creek as soon as the work can be practically arranged; b) request Administration to undertake the necessary design, budgetary and approvals work to allow a replacement bridge to be built in 2009; c) request Administration to have a replacement plan prepared for discussion at the November 2008 Council meeting and d) that a "closed" sign be erected on the bridge immediately.

CARRIED


R: 235/08
Community
Organization
Insurance Policy-
TABLED

11. Council discussed draft policy C-7, Community Organization Insurance Policy at length. Concern was expressed that the suggested premiums amount of \$3000.00 was too low and more information would be needed to ensure the number was accurate. Also, Deputy Reeve Dunki restated her concern that the criteria of what was considered to be a "community" association must be further clarified.

Moved by Councilor Ryan that the motion be tabled until more information is available.

CARRIED

R: 236/08
Regional Waste
Transfer Site

12. Moved by Councilor Ryan that Council approve the request to have Administration identify and evaluate potential sites in the MD's portion of the Bow Corridor that may be suitable for an MD operated, regional waste transfer facility

CARRIED

R: 237/08
Workshop
attendance

13. Moved by Councilor Ryan that Councillors may select one of the local courses to attend at the Let's Resolve Workshops and they will be reimbursed.

CARRIED

14. Councilor Pepper asked that a request for feedback on community mailboxes in Ward Four be added to the next newsletter.

I. ENQUIRIES OF ADMINISTRATION FROM COUNCIL

1. Dene Cooper requested a letter be written to Fortis thanking them for relocating the electrical pole from the MD's front parking lot.
2. Deputy Reeve Dunki requested a list of what items can be brought to the upcoming toxic Round-Up be made available.

J. INFORMATION

Moved by Councillor Adams that items J.1 to J.19, be accepted as information.

CARRIED

R:238/08
Items J.1 - J.19,
J.21 - J.25 all be
approved as info

K. IN CAMERA

Moved by Deputy Reeve Dunki That Council go In Camera at 3:15.

CARRIED

R:239/08
Council incamera at
3:15 p.m.

R240/08
Council out of
Camera at 4:35 pm

Moved by Councillor Pepper that Council come out of camera at 4:35 p.m.

CARRIED



ADJOURNMENT

R:241/08
Meeting adjourned at
4:36 pm

Moved by Deputy Reeve Dunki that the 9 September 08 Regular Council Meeting be adjourned
at 4:36 pm.

CARRIED



REEVE



EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT