

STARLAND COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING, JUNE 24th, 2008

A regular meeting of the Council of Starland County was held in the Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, on Tuesday, June 24th, 2008, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present:	Reeve:	Barrie Hoover
	Deputy Reeve:	Allen Avramenko
	Councillors:	Murray Marshall, Norman Stanger and Terri Hebert
	Staff:	CAO R. Rawlusyk
		Recording Secretary S. Bremer

Moved that the minutes of the May 27th, 2008 regular meeting of the Council of Starland County be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council reviewed the monthly financial statement for the month ending May 31st, 2008.

Moved that Council approve the Monthly Financial Statement for the month ending May 31st, 2008 as reviewed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillors Stanger and Marshall checked accounts with Administrative Assistant Laya Montgomery.

Moved that accounts (cheque no. 26811 to 26962 inclusive) totalling \$721,811.54, be approved for payment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

At 10:15 a.m., Public Works Supervisor Alksne attended the meeting and reviewed his Public Works Report with Council.

Public Works Supervisor Alksne noted that Dinosaur Trucking (John Booth) has advised that he will no longer be hauling on the County Gravel Program. An additional contract truck is needed for the County's gravelling needs.

Moved that Starland County contract Hodge Brothers Trucking Ltd., Morrin, Alberta to place an additional gravel truck on the County's Gravel Truckers Hauling List to haul gravel on a regular seasonal basis and at the same rates and conditions as outlined within the contract.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Public Works Supervisor Alksne reviewed the tenders received for the purchase of a new snowplow truck as well as a highway tractor unit.

Moved that a new snowplow truck complete with a 2-way plow, sand spreader, box tarp and all required hydraulics, etc. be purchased from Calgary Freightliner, Calgary, AB.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved that a highway tractor unit complete with 5th wheel, 30 ton hydraulic winch, rear deck and headache rack be purchased from Glover International.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

[C08-110] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AVRAMENKO

that the Starland County Farmer Gravel Days be set as follows:

- 1) **Wednesday, July 23rd & Thursday, July 24th, 2008 at the Courtney-Handhills Gravel Pit (NE ¼ 02-30-17-W4M); and**
- 2) **Friday, July 25th, 2008 at the Scollard #2 Stockpile (S.W. ¼ 04-35-20-W4M); and**

that the rates for 3/4" crushed gravel from the Courtney-Handhills Pit to ratepayers be \$5.75 per cubic yard; \$6.25 per cubic yard to non-ratepayers;

and that the rates for 3/4" crushed gravel from the Scollard #2 Stockpile to ratepayers be \$9.25 per cubic yard; \$9.75 per cubic yard to non-ratepayers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council discussed the need for an enforcement officer, such as a Community Peace Officer, as CPO Johnston is currently on medical leave.

Moved that Starland County advertise for applications to be submitted for the position of a Community Peace Officer for bylaw enforcement within the County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CAO Rawlusyk reviewed a draft policy with regards to "*Minimum Maintenance - Farm Residence Dust Abatement Option*".

Moved that Starland County Council adopt Policy No. 320-13, a Policy for Minimum Maintenance - Farm Residence Dust Abatement as reviewed.

MOTION CARRIED.

At 11:50 a.m., Public Works Supervisor Alksne departed from the meeting.

At 11:55 a.m., Manager Riep attended the meeting and reviewed his Municipal Services Report as well as his Annual Fire Marshall's Report with Council.

The Drumheller & District Solid Waste Management Association forwarded correspondence in regards to the recent Annual Transfer Station Site Inspections. Overall the inspections were favourable with only a few items noted for improvement.

At 12:20 p.m., Manager Riep departed from the meeting.

Chief Administrative Officer Ross Rawlusyk reviewed his CAO Report with Council.

CAO Rawlusyk advised Council that a recent Director's Meeting for the CAAMD&C was held in Three Hills, Alberta on June 20th, 2008 to discuss the resolution process. A summary of recommendations was provided to Council for their perusal.

The Municipal Government Board (MGB) forwarded a *Notice of Transmittal* with regards to a subdivision appeal lodged by Debbie and Gary Mraz, Drumheller, Alberta. Findings from this Appeal Hearing noted that due to the appeal not being filed within the specified appeal period, the MGB does not have jurisdiction to hear this appeal; the request by the Appellants to have the appeal heard was denied; and the decision of the Subdivision Authority remains as issued.

CAO Rawlusyk provided a Draft Program Agenda, as well as registration and accommodation confirmations for the upcoming *Rural Matters Conference - Forging Healthy Canadian Communities*.

Correspondence was received from Alberta Capital Finance Authority (ACFA) noting that our debenture on Loan Account No. 1168616 has been cancelled as the loan has been repaid in full. This debenture was taken out for upgrades to the Craigmyle Water and Sewer system and the frontage levy for all Craigmyle properties will be paid in full as of 2008.

Correspondence was received from Alberta Health and Wellness announcing that effective April 1, 2009 governing responsibility for ground emergency medical services (EMS) will become a health system responsibility. It was emphasized that this reform does not indicate a preference in how services are delivered, or by whom; this decision is about governance and where decision

making for EMS will be made. This is not a decision about who should deliver services. Following April 2009, municipalities will no longer be responsible for EMS governance or funding.

A transition handbook was also provided from Alberta Health and Wellness entitled, "A *Renewed Model For Patient-Centred and Coordinated EMS*". This handbook is designed to provide guidance in planning for and executing this transition.

CAO Rawlusk reviewed the proposed agreement with Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. for the provision of video data collection of asset information.

Moved that Starland County enter into an Agreement with Accurate Assessment Group Ltd., Sherwood Park, Alberta, for the provision of Video Data Collection (VDC) of Asset Information; that the terms and conditions be as outlined within this Agreement; and that the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to endorse this Agreement on behalf of Starland County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Family Resource Worker's from the Morrin and Delia School's submitted their Annual Reports for Council's review. These reports outline the services provided to children and/or their families, including supportive counselling, delivering preventative programming and making appropriate referrals.

A copy of the 2006 Annual Overview of the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) was also provided to Council for their review.

Correspondence was received from the Drumheller Community Services with regards to the Drumheller Municipal Policing Committee. They noted that the Town of Drumheller recently adopted the Drumheller Municipal Policing Bylaw which defines the terms for the establishment of a Policing Committee including the provision to include representatives from their neighbouring municipalities. They are requesting regional representation on this committee and are asking for recommendations of available candidates from our community.

Moved that Councillor Hebert's name be put forth as a candidate to represent Starland County on the Drumheller Municipal Policing Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The CAAMD&C Annual Zone Golf Tournament is to be held on Friday, August 8, 2008, at the Whispering Pines Golf and Country Club at Pine Lake.

In addition, the Drumheller-Stettler Open Golf Tournament hosted by M.L.A. Jack Hayden is to be held at the Hanna Golf and Country Club on Friday, June 27, 2008.

Moved that all Council members and/or Senior Management Staff interested in attending the CAAMD&C or the Drumheller-Stettler Jack Hayden Golf Tournament's be authorized to attend same.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CAO Rawlusk reviewed an issue that has arisen with regards to control and management of a portion of the roadway adjacent to the Village of Delia, providing access from the West. It appears that the divisional boundary actually is right down the centre of the forced roadway that presently exists. The Village wants to do dust control on this roadway and have requested the County to participate in this project by preparing and grading this roadway.

Moved that Starland County agrees to work in conjunction with the Village of Delia to apply dust control to a portion of the West Delia Access Road, along the S/SE 8-31-17-W4M; that the County agrees to grade and do the preparation and application of dust control product on this roadway; and that the Village of Delia is to supply the dust control product.

MOTION CARRIED.

At 3:15 p.m., Reeve Hoover departed from the meeting and Deputy Reeve Avramenko assumed

the position of Chairman at this time.

Correspondence was received from the County of Stettler with regards to a proposed land purchase within Starland County for the purpose of gravel excavation.

Moved that Starland County hereby grants permission to the County of Stettler to purchase land, specifically the SW 1/4 33-29-17-W4M, within Starland County for the purpose of gravel extraction and upon the condition that the County of Stettler negotiates with Starland County for the provision of access to this quarter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council Communications:

- I) David Thompson Health Region re: Lead Levels in Drinking Water
- ii) Drumheller Valley Times re: Paid Newspaper
- iii) Red Deer River Watershed Alliance re: "Reach Out"
- iv) Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties re:
 - Member Bulletin - Realignment of AAMDC Standing Issue Committees
 - Member Bulletin - Proposed AAMDC Policy on Involvement in Member Legal Matters
 - Executive Highlights - May 2008 Board Activities
 - Contact Newsletter (3 issues)

Moved that the meeting be adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.