

**Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Council
Of the Town Of Castor
Held Monday, April 10, 2017
Council Chambers, Castor Town Hall
Castor, Alberta**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Garry DeVloo.

Councillors in Attendance:

Lonny Nelner, Brenda Wismer, Travis Ryan, Tony Nichols, Rod Zinger, and Richard Elhard.

Absent:

Also in Attendance:

Sandi Jackson – C.A.O.
Arjan Van Hienen – Foreman
Casey Van Wensem – Castor Advance

Agenda:

073/17 MOTION: Councillor Ryan that the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

Delegations/Interviews:

Minutes:

Council reviewed the minutes of the March 27, 2017 regular Meeting of Council.

074/17 MOTION: Councillor Nichols that the Minutes of the March 27, 2017 Regular meeting of Council be approved.

CARRIED

Accounts:

The Lists of Accounts was presented to Council for payment.

075/17 MOTION: Councillor Elhard that Account numbers 21387 to 21429 be approved for payment and that the list of Accounts be marked Schedule “A” and attached to these minutes of Council.

CARRIED

Cash Statement:

Council was presented with the cash statement for the month ending March 31, 2017.

076/17 MOTION: Councillor Nelner that the cash statement for the month ending March 31, 2017 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

National Public Works
Week:

The APWA Alberta Chapter is looking to Council for support and promotion of National Public Works Week.

A notice will be placed in the Town Newsletter.

Alberta Culture and
Tourism:

The Town of Castor has been invited to submit a bid to host the 2019 Alberta Senior Masters Games.

Council felt we do not have the resources as far as accommodations and restaurants to handle the event.

Service Alberta:

An informational letter was received by Council aimed at educating Municipalities on enabling broadband and improving internet services.

Presented to Council for their information.

Old Business:

Cousineau lot:

For the past few years the Cousineau Family has been considering a donation of land for a memorial park to the Town of Castor. The Family has sent a letter suggesting that this offer is still in the works.

Personnel Handbook:

Council reviewed the Personnel Handbook.

077/17 MOTION: Councillor Ryan that the Personnel Handbook be approved with corrections.

CARRIED

New Business:

Recreation Report:

Mayor DeVloo called upon Deputy Mayor Elhard and Councillor Ryan to give the Recreation Report.

- 3C's is asking communities to contribute half of the fees of the Atom and under hockey teams to the 3C's organization. The Recreation Board is recommending that the 3C's increase PeeWee to Midget fees by \$25.00 to bring in the needed extra funds.
- The Recreation Board is moving forward with renovations to the arena. The engineers have been in Castor looking at the building. The building is structurally sound and the possibility of adding dressing rooms to the east side is a reasonable.
- Ball teams have been organized for the season.
- Survey has been sent out to give an opportunity for participants to express their views on the hockey program and how the arena is run.
- The Zamboni needs repairs, they may be able to be done in house. Eventually, a different Zamboni will need to be purchased.
- The Recreation Director is looking at running a Triathlon this summer.

Councillor Zinger entered the meeting at 7:25pm.

- Lifeguard accommodations: A lot has been offered for the lifeguards to park a motor home on for the summer. Utilities will need to be hooked up. Allowing the pool staff to use a lot at the campground at a lesser rate was also discussed. Council suggested a rate of \$10.00/night. The C.A.O. will look into best options.

Parade:

The Town of Castor had agreed to take over the set up of the Rodeo Parade. The Parade generally runs the Saturday of the Rodeo, however, this year the Rodeo will only be held Friday evening. A suggestion had been brought forward to Council to hold the parade with the Fair and to include a show and shine.

A discussion ensued. Council will talk to businesses and bring back more information to the next meeting.

Paintearth Lodge
Requisition:

The 2017 Paintearth Lodge Requisition was brought before Council for approval. This year the requisition is up slightly from 2016.

078/17 MOTION: Councillor Ryan that the Paintearth Lodge requisition be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Councillor Elhard:

- Attended Consort Gun Show – sold tickets for the Ag Society Fundraisers. 91 were sold on Saturday and 40 sold on Sunday.

Foreman:

- Weston successfully passed the pesticides applicators course.
- Weston is currently taking the Gas Level II in Edmonton.
- The water break has been repaired, it was finally found on 45th Avenue and 50th Street.
- The back hoe was in Red Deer for repairs, we used a loaner hoe to repair the water break.
- Clarence has been busy cleaning streets with the help of Tyler on boulevards.
- The chipper is running again so the crew will get back out to finish chipping the trees.

C.A.O.:

- ATCO Electric will be removing the transformer from one of the three poles east of the Elevator. At the same time they will remove two of the poles.
- So far 7 CSJ grants have been approved.

Mayor DeVloo:

- Informed Council that there will be a Doctor Recruitment meeting April 11.

In Camera Session:

Council moved to an in camera session to discuss a legal issue.

079/17 MOTION: Councillor Ryan to move to an in camera session to discuss a legal issue.

CARRIED

Council moved to an in camera session at 8:05pm.

080/17 MOTION: Councillor Ryan to return to the Regular meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Council returned to the regular meeting at 8:25pm.

081/17 MOTION: Councillor Wismer that the Town of Castor approve the Project D tender submitted by Netook in the amount of \$1,614,696.86 .

CARRIED

Adjournment:

082/17 MOTION: Councilor Wismer that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER