

**Minutes of the  
Regular Meeting of the Council  
Of the Town Of Castor  
Held Monday, January 26, 2015  
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, Richard Elhard.

**Absent:**

Rod Zinger

**Also in Attendance:**

Sandi Jackson – C.A.O.  
Arjan Van Heinen – Public Works Foreman  
Jenna Witherow – Q-14 Radio  
Joel van der Veen - Castor Advance

**Agenda:**

**020/15 MOTION:** Councillor Nelner that the agenda be approved with the additions.

CARRIED

**Delegations/Interviews:**

**Minutes:**

Council reviewed the minutes of the January 12, 2015 regular Meeting of Council.

**021/15 MOTION:** Councillor Nichols that the Minutes of the January 12, 2015 Regular meeting of Council be approved.

CARRIED

**Accounts:**

The Lists of Accounts were presented to Council for payment.

*Councillor Nelner declared an interest in Account number 18270 payable to That's My Specialty.*

**022/15 MOTION:** Councillor Ryan that Account numbers 18246 to 18291 excluding account 18270 payable to That's My Specialty be approved for payment and that the list of Accounts be marked Schedule "A" and attached to these minutes of Council.

CARRIED

**023/15 MOTION:** Councillor Elhard that Account number 18270 be approved for payment.

CARRIED

*Councillor Nelner did not participate in any discussion concerning this account.*

**Water and Gas  
Reconciliation:**

The water and gas reconciliations to December 31, 2014 were presented to Council. The C.A.O. pointed out that both systems seen fewer losses in 2014. Now that a number of water meters have been changed we should see an improvement in our water losses.

**024/15 MOTION:** Councillor Nelner that the water and gas comparisons be accepted as information.

CARRIED

**Correspondence:**

Alberta Order of  
Excellence:

A letter was received inviting Council to nominate a deserving Albertan. Nomination deadline is February 15, 2015. If Council has a name to put forward they will contact the C.A.O. before that time.

Tree Removal Request:

Council received a request to remove an elm tree that has been deteriorating. The tree has been pruned and the foreman will check it throughout the summer, if it appears it should be removed, then next year the crew will remove it. Any replacement tree would be as per the tree program.

**Old Business:**

Old Home Hardware  
Property Remediation:

The C.A.O. reported that she has discussed the remediation with a local environmental consultant and it appears that most of this remediation can be done locally. The engineers report has been forwarded to our local consultant to work out costs. Further information on the tank has come to light.

**New Business:**

Safety Policies:

The C.A.O. presented Council with the updated safety policies for approval. This will be a start for the safety program.

**025/15 MOTION:** Councillor Ryan that the Safety Policies SF001 – SF012 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

RPAP Conference:

The Alberta Rural Physician Action Plan conference 2015 will be held in Edmonton March 18 and 19. Council discussed advantages in sending a representative.

**026/15 MOTION:** Councillor Nichols that the Town of Castor send a representative to the RPAP Conference on March 18 and 19.

CARRIED

**Committee Report:**

Councillor Nelner:

- Will be attending a PEPS meeting on Wednesday.

Councillor Nichols:

- Attended a Victim's Services Board meeting. The Board has been getting ready for RCMP Regimental Ball. RCMP constable Diana Stratton has been working with the Advocate on local thefts, they are doing victim impact statements, this has proven very time consuming.

Councillor Elhard:

- Met with M. Wiart. Council had approved the construction of a fence at the airport 30 feet from the south fence to make a runway to move cattle from one field to another. Mr. Wiart feels that it is not quite wide enough. He would like to place the fence closer to the runway. The foreman will take a look and bring the issue back to Council.

Foreman:

- Robert has been changing gas meters.
- Water meters have also been replaced.
- The crew is trimming trees. They are starting with the elm trees as they only have until the end of March to make sure they are trimmed.
- Gutters have been cleaned at the bank.

C.A.O.:

- We have had an electrician check the runway lights, We will have to wait until Spring when we can dig up some of the boxes to find the electrical short. Until then the airport will be closed to night flying.
- Had a Tourism Visioning meeting, There will be a meeting in Coronation on March 31 and then again on April 1 in Halkirk to show results to date.
- Received a note from Mr. McPhee that the radio equipment has arrived at the 911 call centre and he will plan to spend this week loading it. I was left to assume that our change over to analog would happen this week or next.

**In-camera Discussion:**

Council proceeded to an in-camera session to discuss a land issues.

*Jenna Witherow and Joel van der Veen left the Council meeting at 7:27pm*

**027/15 MOTION:** Councillor Elhard to move to an in-camera session to discuss a land issue.

CARRIED

*Council went in-camera at 7:28pm.*

**028/15 MOTION:** Councillor Elhard to come out of an in-camera session.

CARRIED

*Council returned to an open session of Council at 8:15pm*

Adjournment:

**029/15 MOTION:** Councilor Nelner that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER