

**Minutes of the  
Regular Meeting of the Council  
Of the Town Of Castor  
Held Monday, June 24, 2013  
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:**

Troy Slempp, Mike Bain, Jeff Ensign, Brenda Wismer, and Dennis Filipenko.

**Also in Attendance:**

Sandi Jackson – C.A.O.  
Stan Boettcher – Public Works Foreman  
Landin Chambers – Q-14 Radio

**Interviews:**

**Minutes:**

Council reviewed the minutes of the June 10, 2013 regular Meeting of Council.

**128/13 MOTION:** Councillor Bain that the Minutes of the June 10, 2013 Regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**Accounts:**

The List of Accounts was presented to Council for payment.

**129/13 MOTION:** Councillor Ensign that Account Numbers 15947 to 15980 be approved for payment and that the list of Accounts be marked Schedule “A” and attached to these minutes of Council.

CARRIED .

**Correspondence:**

**Old Business:**

ByLaw 1025  
Re-Zoning:

Palliser Municipal Services has requested that Council reschedule the Public Hearing for ByLaw 1025 to give them enough time to contact the neighbors of the applicant.

**130/13 MOTION:** Councillor Bain that the Public Hearing for ByLaw 1025 be rescheduled to July 8, 2013.

CARRIED

Lot Purchase Update:

An offer to purchase has been made on part of lot 3, Plan 7620431 and a cheque for 10% has been paid. The title change has been drawn up and is ready to sign.

Update on Weseen  
Subdivision:

The contract has been changed and signed by all parties. We will not need caveats changed this time.

Update on Water Pump  
House Project:

The C.A.O. and the Foreman met with the Engineer and a representative from Nason Mechanical to go over the water pump house project. The contractor will provide the Town with an estimated cost to complete the project using Town equipment and staff where ever possible. They were provided with a list of local electricians to contract. The Town can choose to use this company once the bid is ready or we can go to a tender process. By not using the tender process we would save approximately \$7,000.00. Engineering costs for this project are currently quoted at \$43,174.85.

**131/13 MOTION:** Councillor Slemph that the Town of Castor agree to the Engineering quote without going through the tender process.

CARRIED

Cemetery Project:

The gazebo is nearly completed. Solar lights will be used in place of stone gates. They will also be used to mark lot corners instead of the metal posts.

Signage for Slowing  
Traffic:

That's My Specialty has provided samples of signage to place at the entrances to Town in hopes of slowing traffic down.

**132/13 MOTION:** Councillor Bain that the Town purchase two white aluminum signs subject to administration finalizing drawings on the signs.

CARRIED

**New Business:**

Tax Complaint:

A tax complaint was received from a resident that is objecting to the \$450.00 minimum tax amount. A letter will be sent to him explaining the reasoning for the minimum tax amount.

*Landin Chambers—Q14 reporter left the meeting 7:35pm.*

Staff Evaluation:

Council was presented with a six month evaluation for the Assistant recreation director for their information.

**133/13 MOTION:** Councillor Bain to go to an in camera session.

CARRIED

*Council went to an in camera session at 7:35pm*

**134/13 MOTION:** Councillor Ensign to come out of the in camera session.

CARRIED

*Council came out of the in camera session at 7:42pm.*

**135/13 MOTION:** Councillor Filipenko to increase  
The assistant recreation director's  
wage by \$1.00/hr.

CARRIED

**Committee Report:**

Councillor Slemph:

- Attended a Castor Rocks meeting – sales are going well. Plans are continuing to proceed. Volunteers are needed.
- 7 hardball teams, 8 slow pitch teams have been registered for the ball tournament to date.

Councillor Bain:

- Theresetta Reunion is in August.
- Discussed Family Care Clinics.

Councillor Ensign:

- Informed Council that he is looking for stairs to place in the arena during the Castor Rocks concert.
- Attended an ambulance meeting – they are still negotiating the three year contract. As of the end of October, 911 calls for ambulance will no longer be dispatched out of Wainwright. Funding the call centre is still under discussion.

Councillor Filipenko:

- Has a meeting at Palliser tomorrow.

Foreman:

- Adam has been setting up the analyzer at the pool.
- Picked up some Allan Block for landscaping at the gazebo and the post office projects.
- Monday, June 17 started work at the Town shop again. Problems have all been ironed out.
- Olsen's have shown up and started the sidewalk project.
- Hauling asphalt.
- Post office project is ready to start, waiting for meeting with Canada Post representative.
- Met with ISL Engineering.
- Graded roads and alleys.
- Will take the skid steer to Drumheller for warranty work.
- Thursday will attend a milling demo in Coronation.
- Tamper for back of the hoe needs to be repaired.
- Needs to install a culvert at the airport.
- Will start hole patching soon.
- Will be on holidays next week.

C.A.O.

- The owners of the Cosmopolitan Hotel had been approved to close 50<sup>th</sup> street from their alley to 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 5pm to midnight on July 26. That date has now changed to August 17.
- The high school shop class has built six garbage containers to place at the entrances to the paths. They are now installed.
- A resident has asked if we could place a "no exit" sign at the entrances to the water plant or if we could close the gates at the end of the day since traffic is speeding through the area. There are also

a couple of off road bike back and forth through that area too. They are very loud. The Foreman will close the gate on a permanent basis as there is no need for it to be open.

- The pool was broke into on the weekend. At least seven people were on the video camera. The RCMP would like some direction as to how the Town would like to handle the situation. We could press charges or levy a fine of up to \$500.00 for the first offence.

**136/13 MOTION:** Councillor Wismer to levy a fine of \$200.00 to any individual that enters the pool illegally. A second offence will be fined \$500.00 plus damages. All money from the fines will go into an account to pay rewards.

CARRIED

- Terroco hosted a hot dog sale at lunch time today with the proceeds going to Care For Kids. \$1,000.00 was raised.

Mayor DeVloo:

- Asked about the state of the cemetery. The C.A.O. has spoken to the caretaker, she will be working on catching up with the mowing. The caretaker has chipped one of the headstones. We are looking at fixing it. The Foreman also has concerns about the moving of monuments when a new grave is dug.
- Reminded Council about the upcoming election.
- The Town will be looking after the Paintearth Lodge financials as of January 1. The transition will start in November.

Adjournment:

**137/13 MOTION:** Councilor Wismer that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:43p.m.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER