

**Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Council
Of the Town Of Castor
Held Monday, June 8, 2015
Council Chambers, Castor Town Hall
Castor, Alberta**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Richard Elhard.

Councillors in Attendance:

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

Absent:

Mayor Garry DeVloo

Also in Attendance:

Sandi Jackson – C.A.O.
Arjan Van Heinen – Public Works Foreman
Jenna Witherow – Q-14 Radio
Stacey Lavallie - Castor Advance
Pat King - PCALC
Cindy Heidecker – PCALC
Cory Boger - Resident

Agenda:

140/15 MOTION: Councillor Nichols that the agenda be approved with additions.

CARRIED

Delegations/Interviews:

Pat King and Cindy Heidecker – PCALC

Deputy Mayor Elhard welcomed Pat and Cindy to the meeting.

- The ladies provided handouts and discussed the Community Engagement Dialogue that took place on April 28, 2015. Input from the evening contributed to the Action Plan.
- A short history of Adult Learning was presented covering the PCALC programs and services.
- Gave a general collective dialogue of what was identified as room for improvement in their programing.
- Will be bringing high visual signs to each, Castor and Coronation.
- PCALC is now registered invigilators for all the colleges and universities.

Deputy Mayor Elhard thanked the ladies for their informative presentation.

Pat King and Cindy Heidecker left the meeting at 7:23pm.

Cory Boger was welcomed by Deputy Mayor Elhard. Mr. Boger asked Council to consider placing the speed bumps on 45th Street, south end.

- This spring has been exceptionally bad for speeders. Biggest problem is the larger vehicles.

Cory Boger left the meeting at 7:26pm.

Minutes: Council reviewed the minutes of the May 25, 2015 regular Meeting of Council.

141/15 MOTION: Councillor Ryan that the Minutes of the May 25, 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 18762 payable to That's My Specialty.

142/15 MOTION: Councillor Zinger that Account numbers 18720 to 18765 excluding account 18762 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

143/15 MOTION: Councillor Ryan that Account number 18762 be approved for payment.

CARRIED

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

Cash Statement: Council was presented with the Cash Statements for the month ending May 31, 2015. We are maintaining a reasonable cash flow, however, the GIC's have not been re-invested and we have not yet received any grant funding.

144/15 MOTION: Councillor Nichols that the Cash Statement for the month ending May 31, 2015 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

County of Stettler: The County of Stettler will be celebrating 60 years as a County on Thursday, June 18. They invited Council members to attend. Mayor DeVloo or Deputy Mayor Elhard will try to attend.

Old Business:

Sewage Lagoon: Lamborne plans to start cleaning cells one and two within the next few weeks. They have found local pasture to spread the sludge on.

Fire Radios: Communications Group has performed a system review of the Town of Castor analog repeater and link to Nose Hill tower. Given that the current analog system has outlived it's functional life it was suggested that the best option

would be to replace it. Cost would be \$29,179.24. A band aid type fix would cost only \$5,420.36 but would be the lowest return on our investment.

Council discussed the issue and felt that, at this point, we need to do something.

145/15 MOTION: Councillor Ryan that the Town of Castor proceeds with the replacement of the radio equipment as quoted by Communications Group and as long as compatibility is generic.

CARRIED

New Business:

Recreation Report:

Deputy Mayor Elhard reported on the June 1 Recreation Board meeting as follows:

- Skating club moved \$2,000.00 into the CCC for start up, also \$2,000.00 from the Castor Rocks account.
- Retirement party for Leo Bozek is in the planning.
- Arena Concession will be run by VR Food Services.
- Hockey school will go ahead October 10 – 12.
- Vulnerable Sector Checks will go ahead for all volunteers involved with children in Castor Minor Sports.

Speed Bumps at Day Care:

Busy Beaver Day Care has requested that the speed bumps be placed near the Day again.

Council discussed placing speed bumps at both the day care and on 45th Street south of high way 12. The possibility of placing electronic speed signs that could be moved from one entrance of Town to the other was discussed. Another suggestion was placing lower profile speed bumps on 45th Street.

146/15 MOTION: Councillor Zinger that the speed bumps be placed near the day care as requested.

CARRIED

Council would like to bring the speed bump issue for 45th Street back to another meeting. The C.A.O. will look into price and what other communities do. Electronic speed signs will be priced out and a cost will be found for rumble strips.

Fire Department Capital Plan:

As requested at the Fire meeting with the County of Paintearth, the C.A.O. has drawn up a capital plan for the next five years for the Fire Department. The fire chief has looked over the plan and approved it.

147/15 MOTION: Councillor Nelner that the Five Year Fire Capital Plan be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Report

Councillor Nelner:

- PEPS will be at the Global Petroleum show this week. Gas and Oil companies from the area will participate in the PEPS sponsored booth.
- Commented that the cemetery is looking good.

Councillor Nichols:

- Attended a Victims Services Board meeting. They will host a seminar for supporting advocates (safe and sound managing difficult people).
- July 23 they will be hosting a BBQ in Castor for Community awareness (5-7 at playground.)

Foreman:

- Weston Gibson started work last week, he has been working with Robert in the gas system.
- Doing a lot of line locates in the past couple of weeks.
- Gas project to the Industrial Subdivision is now complete. May come in under budget.

C.A.O.:

- The Enhancement Committee has contacted an artist to design a beaver mascot for the entrance of Town. They will pay for it. A picture will be emailed to Council.
- Still looking for watering volunteers for one day on each weekend.

Stacy Lavallie:

- New Castor Advance reporter will be starting soon.

Deputy Mayor Elhard:

- Museum had their annual general meeting. They are proceeding with work on their building.
- Attended the Annual Ceremonial Review of the Cadet Squadron.

Adjournment:

148/15 MOTION: Councilor Wismer that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:21pm.

DEPUTY MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER