

**Minutes of the  
Regular Meeting of the Council  
Of the Town Of Castor  
Held Tuesday, May 23, 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

**Agenda:**

**106/17 MOTION:** Councillor Ryan that the agenda be approved with additions.

CARRIED

**Minutes:**

Council reviewed the minutes of the May 9, 2017 regular Meeting of Council.

**107/17 MOTION:** Councillor Nichols that the Minutes of the May 9, 2017 Regular meeting of Council be approved.

CARRIED

**Accounts:**

The Lists of Accounts was presented to Council for payment.

**108/17 MOTION:** Councillor Elhard that Account numbers 21535 to 21581 be approved for payment and that the list of Accounts be marked Schedule “A” and attached to these minutes of Council.

CARRIED

**Water and Gas Comparisons:**

Water and Gas Comparisons to April 30, 2017 were presented to Council. The water system losses have leveled out but is still above the acceptable limits. The gas system remains on track.

**109/17 MOTION:** Councillor Zinger that the Water and Gas Comparisons be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**Correspondence:**

No correspondence was brought forward.

**Old Business:**

Bylaw 1050: The C.A.O. brought the Responsible Animal Ownership Bylaw to Council with changes made after the last meeting.

Further revisions were made; the Bylaw will come back to the next meeting of Council.

Asset Management Project: The Asset Management Project is now in place and awaiting final approval from Council.

**110/17 MOTION:** Councillor Zinger that the C.A.O. will apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for "Building Community Resilience Through Asset Management for the Town of Castor".

Be it therefore resolved that the Town of Castor commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program:

1. Appoint a lead for the project and develop a team and conduct a needs assessment – in house.
2. Develop a starting point.
3. Define our Asset Management System plans and objectives.

Be it further resolved that the Town of Castor commits \$29,689.00 from our Provincial MSI operating grant and \$1,664.00 from our budget toward the costs of this initiative.

CARRIED

Recreation Board: Due to a shortfall in Minor Hockey funds, the Recreation Board would like to move \$2,651.00 from Minor Sports to Minor Hockey.

**111/17 MOTION:** Councillor Nichols that \$2,651.00 be moved from the Minor Sports account to the Minor Hockey account to cover the shortfall.

CARRIED

**New Business:**

Weseen Subdivision: A Storm Water Plan was received for the Weseen Subdivision for approval.

**112/17 MOTION:** Councillor Zinger that the Storm Water Plan for the Weseen Subdivision be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Home Hardware – Sheds: A request was received from Home Hardware to place new sheds; that are for sale, on the south side of the parking lot adjacent to the Home Hardware building.

**113/17 MOTION:** Councillor Ryan that Home Hardware be allowed to display new sheds along the south side of the parking lot adjacent their building. They must be removed by September 1, 2017 to accommodate arena parking.

CARRIED

Infrastructure Report: A report from the start up meeting of Project D – Infrastructure Water/Wastewater was presented to Council for their information. Concerns from a resident along 51<sup>st</sup> Street were also brought forward.

Bylaw Concern: Council received a concern from a resident about a commercial truck/trailer parked on the street in front of his residence. This issue has been dealt with before and the owner of the trailer was asked to park it in his yard. A fine will be levied to the owner of the truck/trailer.

Palliser Regional Municipal Services: Palliser sent information on a proposed subdivision to Council for their review and submission of any comments.

Council reviewed the subdivision and felt no comments were necessary.

### **Committee Reports:**

Councillor Nelner:

- Met with the fair board, it was decided that the parade would take place on August 12 at 1:00pm. There are plans for a bouncy house from 9am – 11am on Saturday. The Show and Shine is a go. The parade will Marshal at Theresetta School, the parade route will be determined pending road construction. Parade ribbons have been ordered.
- Task force for Coal mines. Attended a one on one meeting with the company responsible for the study; he also attended the local Town Hall meeting. A Webinar Town Hall meeting for mine employees was broadcast and he attended that as well. After taking part in these meetings it became apparent that we need to get information to the residents – be transparent.

Councillor Elhard:

- Attended the Webinar Town Hall meeting for the General Public. The Province is looking for a “Made in Alberta” solution where mines will be

shut down. The Province clearly stated they will protect Albertans from spikes in their power bills.

Foreman:

- The crew have been busy line locating.
- Doing a lot of hydrovac work for Wally's Backhoe Services.
- Pool is up and running smoothly.
- Ball diamonds are ready – we will need to spruce up some of the chain link.
- Cemetery looking good – Don is doing good job.
- Students have been kept busy with a number of jobs.
- Both Grayson and Netook have arrived one site.
- Water wastewater student has been working well.

C.A.O.:

- Weston Gibson received the highest mark in the Gas Operator's II course that he recently completed.
- There will be an Arena Building Committee meeting tomorrow evening. They hope to bring recommendations forward to the Recreation Board Meeting in June.
- Tree removal may be necessary for demolition of a house.
- Brought forward a promotional idea – a charging travel set. Will order 12 to start.

Adjournment:

**114/17 MOTION:** Councilor Wismer that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER