# Minutes of the regular Council Meeting Held in the Village of Duchess Council room January 19, 2015–7:00pm

#### **MOTIONS**

Councillors present: Mayor Bruce Snape, Councillor Tony Steidel Deputy Mayor Wayne Dahl, Councillor Darren Drader &

Councillor Shannyn Creary

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh, Kent Torkelson & Sharon Zacharias

001/15

**Councillor Dahl:** Motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held on December 15, 2014.

Carried

002/15

Councillor Steidel: Motioned to adopt the agenda.

Carried

## **Committee Reports**

\* a copy of submitted meeting minutes will be retained at the Village office.

- 1. Newell Foundation \*
- 2. Duchess Library
- 3. Shortgrass Library
- 4. FCSS
- 5. Regional Landfill The NRSW will probably see a 3% increase in requisition.
- 6. 911 A motion for \$70,000 was made to relocate the radio equipment to the EID. The City of Brooks will handle the administration.
- 7. Newell Regional Services Corporation

003/15

Councillor Drader: Motioned to go "in camera" at 7:05pm.

Carried

004/15

Mayor Snape: Motioned to come "out of camera" at 7:10pm.

Carried

- 8. Fire Duchess Fire budgeting will be scheduled so that it will coincide with the County of Newell budgeting deadline.
- 9. Agricultural Society \*
- 10. Canadian Badlands Councillor Creary will attend the AGM in March.
- 11. Newell Regional Economic Development Initiative The turnover meeting will be held on February 4<sup>th</sup>.
- 12. Recreation Parks Cultural The advertisement for an increase has and will continue to be advertised for 3 weeks.
- 13. EXPO -
- 14. Recreation Centre General discussions

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15. Mayor & Reeves

### Old Business:

No old business.

#### New Business:

005/15

Councillor Creary: Motioned for approval of cheques 12696 – 12746 totaling \$ 246,427.15.

Carried

The "To be Destroyed" listing was tabled.

006/15

**Councillor Drader:** Motioned to use the 2014 Budget as an interim budget for the 2015 year.

Carried

The Fortis franchise agreement was discussed. A copy of the new proposed agreement will be circulated and the representative from Fortis may be asked to make a presentation to Council.

FYI - 2014 home sales – 3 new homes. 31 new families bought nomes within Duchess and one family sold their home and bought another within Duchess.

Verbal or Written Reports:

Community Peace Officers: John Nesbitt - report is filed

**Public Works:** Kent Torkelson Winter maintenance continues. Sanding and snow removal.

The top soil pile: Kent has talked to the interested parties and they will take some tests of quality, but no decisions will be made before spring.

CAO: Yvonne Cosh

JMH & Co. engagement letter.

FCM membership letter.

February 19 – Brownlee Emerging Trends workshop

March 4-6 – LGAA Conference.

January 27 – CAO meeting

Adjourned 8:45 pm

At up

Next Council meeting February 17th, 2015 @ 7pm

Strategic Planning session February 13<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 – 8:30 February 14<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 – 4:00

Honoring Rolling Hills – April 17th

Mayor/Councillor

Administrator