

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

MOTIONS

Councillors present: Mayor Bruce Snape, Councillor Tony Steidel
Deputy Mayor Wayne Dahl, Councillor Darren Drader 7:05 &
Councillor Shannyn Creary
Staff present: Yvonne Cosh, Kent Torkelson & Sharon Zacharias

041/15 **Councillor Steidel:** Motioned to accept the minutes of the
Regular meeting of Council held on April 20, 2015.
Carried

042/15 **Councillor Dahl:** Motioned to adopt the agenda.
Carried

Committee Reports

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

Councillor Drader arrived at 7:05

1. Newell Foundation
2. Duchess Library
3. Shortgrass Library
4. FCSS
5. Regional Landfill
6. 911
7. Newell Regional Services Corporation – Bassano has received
water.
8. Fire
9. Agricultural Society – the lobster feed is coming up at the
arena. The golf course is having problems with their pump
system.
10. Canadian Badlands
11. Recreation Parks Cultural - May 27th
13. EXPO
14. Recreation Centre – Floor lines are being marked, kitchen
construction, bathrooms and flooring continues.
Since excavation of the parking area has begun, extra coring
Hydrovac and fill have been required with extra costs.
Council has decided not to utilize BSEI to supervise the work.
A meeting with Brooks Asphalt will be scheduled to get real

Costs for the extra work.

Concrete costs should stay the same.

Donations have not been as easy to obtain as first thought and

This project will need to be financed through the Village.

The debenture guidelines will be investigated as well as ATB

financing options, so that no grey areas remain. A special

meeting of Village of Duchess Council will be scheduled.

043/15 **Councillor Creary:** Motioned to go in camera at 8:37pm

044/15 **Mayor Snape:** Motioned to come out of camera at 8:50pm

045/15 **Councillor Steidel:** Motioned to accept a submitted quote from Wood n Stuff of \$6600 for the construction of the reception counter in the Rec Centre.

Carried

15. Mayor & Reeves - June 12

16. Regional Transportation – a list of questions were discussed by Council and the answers will be submitted to RT board.

Old Business:

1. The Electrical Distribution System Franchise Agreement has been signed and delivered.

2. T Walls property pins were located and were even closer to the home as discussed. Theresa was phoned with this information and she cancelled her development application.

3. A letter of acceptance was sent to Apple Fitness for the equipment in the Rec Centre fitness room. Thank you letters were sent to the other companies that submitted proposals.

New Business:

046/15 **Councillor Dahl:** Motioned for approval of cheques 12949 – 150415 totaling \$ 111,367.89.

Carried

Mayor Snape: Proclaimed June 6th, 2015 as National Health and Fitness Day.

Mayor Snape: Proclaimed June 1st – 7th, 2015 as Seniors Week.

Verbal or Written Reports:

Community Peace Officers: John Nesbitt - report is filed

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Mayor Snape: Motioned to appoint Heather Dobson as a Community Peace Officer with all the authority that goes along with the appointment.

Carried

Public Works: Kent Torkelson

CVIP inspection on the garbage truck was a 100% pass.

Water plant inspection by Alberta Environment will be May22nd.

Park inspections are complete.

Alley cleanup was very busy again this year. Rules changes for next year.

When paving is done at the Rec Centre, Kent will patch at the fire hall, Margaret Ave, by the hall and on Louise Ave.

CAO: Yvonne Cosh

The planning document was distributed and will be tabled until June to be adopted by Council.

CAO meeting update and minutes attached.

NRSC meeting update

Financial: Sharon Zacharias

A financial update was given.

The due date for taxes has moved up another week with a target next year of June 30th.

Adjourned 10:15 pm

Next Council meetings June 15th, 2015 @ 7pm
July 6th and August 18th.

Mayor/Councillor

Administrator