

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting  
August 21, 2017 – 7:00pm  
Village of Dutchess Council Chambers

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Councillors present: Mayor Bruce Snape  
Councillor Tony Steidel  
Deputy Mayor Wayne Dahl

Councillors absent: Councillor Darren Drader

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO

Mayor Bruce Snape called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

### Motions

**048-17** Councillor Steidel motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Village of Dutchess Council held on July 24, 2017 as presented.  
Carried Unanimous

**049-17** Mayor Snape made the motion to excuse Councillor Darren Drader from this council meeting as he is away for work.  
Carried Unanimous

**050-17** Councillor Dahl motioned to adopt the agenda.  
Carried Unanimous

### Financial

A written financial update was presented for information.

### Old Business

**050-17** Councillor Dahl motioned to appoint Gateway Auctions as the auctioneer for the tax arrears sale on September 15, 2017.  
Carried Unanimous

051-17 Councillor Steidel motioned to have Administration contact an appraiser to determine pricing for the 2 properties that are going to tax arears auction.

Carried Unanimous

052-17 Mayor Snape made the motion to have GVN put together a tender package for the construction of a new Administration building.

Carried Unanimous

The Regional Enhancement Funding application will be forwarded to the County of Newell for their consideration. This application encompasses the work on Margaret Ave.

### New Business

053-17 Councillor Steidel motioned for approval for the cheque listing 15231 - 15296 totaling \$ 101,151.62 & automatic payment listing 990049 – 990066 totaling \$33,833.95.

Carried Unanimous

Nomination day is September 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 12noon.

Election packages are ready to be picked up at the office and will be available on our website.

Mayor Snape proclaimed September as Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month in the Village of Duchess

ATCO Gas franchise fee discussion was tabled. Administration will bring back more information in regards to the effect an increase would have on residential bills.

Board and Committee Reports \*a copy of submitted reports will be retained in the office.

1. Newell Foundation & Housing
2. Duchess Library
3. Shortgrass Library
4. FCSS

5. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management Authority \* Councillor Steidel indicated that there will be a 1.75% increase to the requisition for the next 3 years.

**054-17** Councillor Steidel motioned to pay the outstanding requisition amounts that were triggered by the change in census number from 992 – 1085 residents. This difference resulted in an increase of \$ 3773.94 for NRSMA and \$ 93.00 for PEP.

Carried Unanimous

6. 911
7. Newell Regional Service Corporation
8. Fire
9. Ag Society
10. Canadian Badlands
11. Recreation Parks Cultural
12. EXPO
13. Mayor & Reeves
14. Joint Services
15. Newell Transportation Logistics Project
16. Palliser Economic Partnership – Councillors would like the Broadband report forwarded

### Reports

Community Peace Officers – John Nesbitt - attached

Public Works – Kent Torkelson - attached

CAO – Yvonne Cosh

- Fortis is working on the replacement of all the cobra head streetlights within Duchess.
- Clean up orders that were issued through the summer are almost all complete.

Recreation Centre – Sara Coderre - attached

Meeting sheets were handed in  
Adjourn 9:15pm

Next Council meeting September 18, 2017 @7pm  
October Council will be October 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm  
Organizational meeting October 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7pm

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Mayor Bruce Snape

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CAO Yvonne Cosh