

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
March 19, 2018 – 7:00pm
Village of Dutchess Council Chambers

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Councillors present: Mayor Tony Steidel
Councillor Deborah Reid-Mickler
Councillor Ryan Kiedrowski
Councillor Tina Preston

Councillor Absent: Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO & Kent Torkelson

Mayor Tony Steidel called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm.

Motions

021-18 Councillor Preston motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Village of Dutchess Council held on February 15, 2018 as presented.
Carried Unanimous

022-18 Councillor Kiedrowski motioned to adopt the agenda.
Carried Unanimous

023-18 Councillor Steinley motioned to appoint Councillor Preston to FCSS, 911, EXPO and to the Intermunicipal Subdivision Appeal Board and Councillor Kiedrowski to the Fire Board.
Carried Unanimous

Old Business

The Police funding letter was discussed. Council has decided to leave it for now and wait for more information from the Province.

The Administration building plans have been posted on the APC website.

Sharon Zacharias joined the Council meeting at 7:39pm.

024-18 Mayor Steidel motioned to accept and sign the Fire Agreement with the County of Newell.

Carried Unanimous

Fire financials were discussed.

Sharon presented a current financial update, advised on year end and discussed budget timeline and process.

Sharon left at 8:16pm

New Business

025-18 Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned for approval for the cheque listing 15867-15884 equaling \$ 31,433.66 & 15915 - 15946 equaling \$97,410.82 for a total of \$128,844.48.

Carried Unanimous

Information items were looked at.

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

1. Newell Foundation & Housing * Written report submitted
2. Duchess Library
3. Shortgrass Library *
4. FCSS *

Mayor Steidel Proclaimed April 15th – 21st as National Volunteer Week.

5. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management – general update
6. 911
7. Newell Regional Service Corporation
8. Fire *

9. Ag Society – have Councillor Steinley check to see if the monthly meetings can be changed so that the Village Councillor can be in attendance.
10. Canadian Badlands – Councillor Kiedrowski attended the 2 day conference. Excellent Councillor Kiedrowski reported on several of the initiatives and breakout sessions. He will bring more information in to the office so that all councillors can access the info.
11. Recreation Parks Cultural
12. EXPO
13. Mayor & Reeves
14. Joint Services – Councillor Reid-Mickler updated on the Tourism proposals, RHPAP conference and the transportation grant.
15. Newell Transportation Logistics Project – This board will be removed as Joint Services has taken on the task of finalizing the grant application.
16. Palliser Economic Partnership

Dark Fiber/Broadband – Y Cosh sent the City of Brooks an email expressing the desire of the Village of Duchess to continue in the discussions regarding dark fiber/broadband, with cost of this project to be a huge deciding factor.

Mayor Steidel reported on the Municipal Leaders conference that he attended in Edmonton. He discussed the cannabis legislation, rural policing, federal recreation funding and infrastructure funding.

Reports

Community Peace Officers – John Nesbitt – attached

Public Works update – Kent Torkelson

Kent reported on a water break on 1st Street West – February 25th & 26th. He explained the break, the flushing process & the reporting requirements to Alberta Environment.

Public Works has been clearing ice and making sure the drains are clear.

Recreation Centre – Sara Coderre – report attached

CAO - Yvonne Cosh

Administration building has been posted to APC website.

Councillor Code of Conduct bylaw and Public Participation policy will be developed and brought back to Council.

Yvonne reported on the ICF and IDP workshop.
Budget discussions are upcoming and some planning and bylaws will need to be looked at.

Meeting sheets were handed in

Adjourn 10:00pm

Budget meeting March 26 @ 5:30

Budget meeting April 11th, 2018 @ 5:30 or 7:00pm.

Next Council meeting April 16, 2018 @ 7pm

2018 Citizen and Junior Citizen of the Year – Friday April 13 – 4:30photos 5:30 doors open
& 8:30 end of Gala

Strategic Planning Session April 17 & 18, 2018 – All day Brooks

Intermunicipal Meeting in Dutchess December 19th, 2018 @ 6:00

Mayor Tony Steidel

CAO Yvonne Cosh