Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Village of Duchess

May 14, 2018 – 7:00pm

Village of Duchess Council Chambers

Councillors present: Mayor Tony Steidel

Councillor Ryan Kiedrowski Councillor Tina Preston Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley Councillor Deborah Reid-Mickler

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO & Kent Torkelson

Mayor Tony Steidel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

## **Motions**

O31-18 Councillor Preston motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Village of Duchess Council held on April 23, 2018 as presented.

**Carried Unanimous** 

032-18 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to adopt the agenda.

Carried Unanimous

Sharon Zacharias gave a financial update. The Utility rate Schedule was discussed as well as the tax rate bylaw and the mill rate calculations. The Capital and Operating budgets were also discussed.

O33-18 Councillor Steinley motioned to accept the change to "Schedule A" of the Utility Rate Bylaw allowing for an increase to garbage rates, recycling rates and bulk water rates.

Carried Unanimous

Mayor Steidel motioned to accept the first reading of the 2018 Tax Rate Bylaw #469-18.

Carried Unanimous

O35-18 Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to accept the second reading of the 2018 Tax Rate Bylaw #469-18.

Carried Unanimous

O36-18 Councillor Kiedrowski motioned to continue with third reading of the 2018 Tax Rate Bylaw #469-18.

## Carried Unanimous

Mayor Steinley motioned to accept the third and final reading of the 2018 Tax Rate Bylaw #469-18.

Carried Unanimous

## **New Business**

O38-18 Councillor Preston motioned for approval for the cheque listing 16033 - 16082 for a total of \$ 33,644.28.

**Carried Unanimous** 

Mayor Steidel Proclaimed June 3-9, 2018 as Seniors Week in the Village of Duchess.

2 examples of a Councillor Code of Conduct and a Public Participation policy/bylaw were tabled until June's Council meeting. Administration will bring back draft copies for Council to consider.

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

- 1. Newell Foundation & Housing \* Bassano project update Newbrook expansion Consent agenda
- 2. Duchess Library
- 3. Shortgrass Library
- 4. FCSS
- 5. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management general update
- 6 911
- 7. Newell Regional Service Corporation no report. Gerry Fortier has retired and NRSC will be covering for Duchess, Rosemary & Bassano. The Emergency Response plan is being worked on.
- 8. Fire Steve Dunford has received his 30 year Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal.
- 9. Ag Society
- 10. Canadian Badlands
- 11. Recreation Parks Cultural May 29th
- 12. EXPO EXPO Dinner
- 13. Mayor & Reeves Southern Alberta Mayors and Reeves

- 14. Joint Services Doug Griffith's summary report & ICF discussions
- 15. Palliser Economic Partnership update on several projects that PEP is working on
- 16. Dark Fiber/Broadband Councillor Steinley updated on broadband meeting.

## Reports

Community Peace Officers – John Nesbitt – attached

Public Works update – Kent Torkelson

The lagoon repair is complete and everything is operating as usual.

Summer Students will start asap.

Playground inspections are complete.

We suspect a water leak on 3<sup>rd</sup> St E – locates are in and repairs will commence.

Spring work is in full swing.

Recreation Centre – Sara Coderre – report attached

CAO - Yvonne Cosh

Administration will get a list of Anniversary dates to Councillors Preston & Reid-Mickler as they will be in charge of long term service awards.

Meeting sheets were handed in

Adjourn 9:30pm

Next Council meeting June 18, 2018 @ 7pm

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

Mayor Tony Steidel		
CAO Yvonne Cosh	 	 