Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting December 17, 2018– 7:00pm Village of Duchess Council Chambers

Councillors present: Mayor Tony Steidel Councillor Ryan Kiedrowski Councillor Tina Preston Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley

Councillors Absent: Councillor Deborah Reid-Mickler

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO & Kent Torkelson

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

Motions

105-18 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Village of Duchess Council held on November 19, 2018 as presented. Carried Unanimous

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106-18 <u>Councillor Kiedrowski</u> motioned to adopt the agenda as presented. Carried Unanimous

TELUS' answer in regards to higher internet speeds was discussed. There are not options for higher internet speeds at this time through TELUS. They proposed an options for minimal upgrade with a cost of thousands of dollars a month in fees.

107-18 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned for approval of the cheque listing 16651 - 16728 equaling \$ 157,256.96 and pre-paids 990178 - 990185 equaling \$17,303.81 for a total of \$ 174,560.77.

Carried Unanimous

Mayor Steidel and Councillor Preston will attend the Recreation and Parks for Elected Officials Workshop that is being held in Brooks on January 14th.

Mayor Steidel and Councillor Preston will attend the Brownlee Emerging Trends in Municipal Law Workshop that is held in Calgary on February 7th.

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

- 1. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management *
- 2. Fire
- 3. Mayor & Reeves discussion regarding MSI funding and Broadband.
- 4. Newell Foundation & Housing *
- 5. Ag Society Gala is on January 19th, 2019
- 6. Dark Fiber/Broadband there is a Broadband meeting on January 11th @10am.
- 7. Duchess Library *
- 8. Canadian Badlands *
- 9. Recreation Parks Cultural
- 10. NRTA *
- 11. FCSS
- 12. 911
- 13. Shortgrass Library *
- 14. Newell Regional Service
- 15. Joint Services * Budget
- 16. Palliser Economic Partnership *

Meetings were very short this month with not a lot of information coming back to Council.

Reports

Community Peace Officers – John Nesbitt – written report attached

Recreation Centre - Sara Coderre - written report attached

108-18 <u>Councillor Kiedrowski</u> made the motion to sell the turf to the interested parties for a total of \$8000 with the option open to sell the rest at a later date. Carried Unanimous Public Works – Kent Torkelson

Kent reported on an equipment failure at the Laura Place lift station. This failure resulted in a sewer backup at an adjacent home.

Kent also reported on a mva involving the garbage truck while picking up garbage in Bassano. This accident resulted in damage to a private vehicle and damage to a fire Hydrant owned by the Town of Bassano. There were no injuries and no damage to the garbage truck.

Both of these incidents have been reported to our insurance company and in the case of the mva, the RCMP.

During the Christmas holidays, PW staff will continue to monitor all systems and garbage will be picked up on an alternate schedule.

CAO - Yvonne Cosh

Alberta Transportation has been conducting a traffic study on Railway Avenue for several weeks. We will receive the results from them when they are completed. The Intermunicipal meeting is set for December 19th, 2018 @ 5:30 The Village office will be closed from December 22nd – January 2nd.

Meeting sheets were handed in

Adjourn 8:55pm

Next Council meeting January 21, 2019 @ 7pm

Mayor Tony Steidel

CAO Yvonne Cosh