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

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 PW Foreman &

Sharon Zacharias

Mayor Tony Steidel called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Motions

O98-18 Councillor Preston motioned to accept the minutes of the Organizational meeting of the Village of Duchess Council held on October 22, 2018 as presented.

Carried Unanimous

O99-18 <u>Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Village of Duchess Council held on October 22, 2018 as presented.</u>

Carried Unanimous

100-18 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to adopt the agenda with the addition of item 5.2 Electrical and Natural Gas rate discussion.

Carried Unanimous

<u>Financial update</u> – submitted by Sharon Zacharias

Sharon gave an updated financial summary & statement of financial position - all areas seem to be right on track.

Electrical and Natural gas rates were discussed.

101-18 <u>Councillor Steinley</u> motioned to sign an extension to our agreement with AMSC for our electricity and natural gas. Electricity will be locked in for a 5 year term at 5.148 and natural gas will be left on a variable rate.

Carried Unanimous

Sharon Zacharias left at 7:30pm.

Old Business

102-18 <u>Councillor Reid-Mickler</u> motioned to appoint Mayor Tony Steidel and Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley as the representatives to the amalgamation discussion meetings. Alternative attendees for these meetings, will be all the other Councillors.

Carried Unanimous

Councillor Preston will attend the meeting on December 5th.

Council would like to host some coffee meetings with residents to gauge opinions on what they would like to see within the Village. Invitations will go out to all addresses within the Village and as many meetings as needed will be held with 10 – 15 people in attendance.

Administration will continue to contact TELUS in regards to poor internet service.

New Business

Mayor Steidel motioned for approval of the cheque listing 16584 - 16616 equaling \$ 225,203.44 and pre-paids 990171 - 990177 equaling \$18,295.17 for a total of \$ 243,498.61.

Carried Unanimous

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

- 1. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management general update
- 2. Fire * The 2019 fire budget including the AFFRCS budget was presented and discussed.
- 104-18 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept the 2019 Duchess Fire budget as presented.

Carried Unanimous

- 3. Mayor & Reeves
- 4. Newell Foundation & Housing *
- 5. Ag Society A general update was submitted. Nov 26 AGM. Facility updates and the Gala will be held on Jan 19th.
- 6. Dark Fiber/Broadband
- 7. Duchess Library
- 8. Canadian Badlands *
- 9. Recreation Parks Cultural
- 10. NRTA *
- 11. FCSS *
- 12. 911 *
- 13. EXPO
- 14. Shortgrass Library
- 15. Newell Regional Service
- 16. Joint Services *
- 17. Palliser Economic Partnership

Reports

Community Peace Officers – John Nesbitt – written report attached

Recreation Centre – Sara Coderre – written report attached

Public Works – Kent Torkelson Infrastructure plan review Brooks Asphalt paving completion – questions re: sealing, milling and crack filling The bulk water parking lot was discussed

CAO - Yvonne Cosh MAP review in 2019 The Muniware support agreement and software license agreement were signed. The Benchmark assessment services agreement was signed There is a CAO meeting on November 30th CAO review was discussed

Meeting sheets were handed in	
Adjourn 9:30pm	
Next Council meeting December 17, 2018 @ 7pm	
Intermunicipal Meeting in Duchess December 19th, 2018 @ 6:00	
	Mayor Tony Steidel
	CAO Yvonne Cosh