Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting July 30, 2019 – 7:00pm Village of Duchess Council Chambers

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

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO & Kent Torkelson PW Foreman

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

Motions

054-19 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Village of Duchess Council held on June 17, 2019 as presented. Carried Unanimous

055-19 <u>Councillor Reid-</u>Mickler motioned to adopt the agenda with the addition of a new business item # 5 - tax arrears property auction date .

Carried Unanimous

Village of Duchess

No visitors

<u>Financial</u> The financial summary and statement of financial position were reviewed.

Old Business

Councillors reviewed the latest Regional Working Group news release 8 & 9 and the Brooks Bulletin articles – information.

New Business

056-19 <u>Councillor Preston motioned for approval of the cheque listing 17253 – 17329</u> equaling \$118,348.66 and prepaids 990269 – 990284 equaling \$34,459.83 for a total of \$ 152,808.49.

Carried Unanimous

057-19 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to sign the Compliance Declaration for Local Government Bodies under the Alberta Land Stewardship Act (ALSA). Carried Unanimous

AUMA convention 2019 – Councillors Kiedrowski and Steinley will attend. So will Yvonne Cosh – CAO

A tax arrears property was discussed and an auction date must be set.

058-19 <u>Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to set a tax arrears auction date for</u> September 30th, 2019.

Councillor Reid-Mickler discussed the Shortgrass Strategic Planning Session and a few items that came up from that discussion. She would like to add them to the Village Strategic Planning Session, when it is booked.

Board and Committee Reports

*a copy of submitted Minutes will be retained in the office.
✓ written report has been submitted

- 1. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management Mayor Steidel reported on the SAEWA Discussions. NRSWM purchased 200 acres to the North of the existing landfill. New equipment will be purchased.
- 2. Fire no mtg.
- 3. Mayor & Reeves July 31st
- Newell Foundation & Housing ✓ The new eating area has gone out for tender at approx. \$1.9 million. Discussions on the tiny home project, nothing new on the Bassano project and policy reviews are ongoing.
- 5. Ag Society the Ag Society continues to cancel normal meetings.
- 6. moved to #18
- 7. ORRSC ✓
- 8. Duchess Library no mtg
- 9. Canadian Badlands 🗸
- 10. Recreation Parks Cultural thank you letter received
- 11. NRTA \checkmark name change is not passed and will go back to their board in September.
- 12. FCSS no mtg
- 13. 911 the AFFRACS radios have been received. They will be handed out on August 8th.
- 14. Shortgrass Library no mtg

15. Newell Regional Service – August 7th – Ralph Havinga – past manager of NRSC, passed away and the funeral will be held on August 7th.

- 16. Joint Services ✓
- 17. Palliser Economic Partnership ✓
- 18. Dark Fiber/Broadband ✓

Reports

Community Peace Officers – John Nesbitt – written report attached plus a clean up order.

Recreation Centre – Sara Coderre – no report this month

Public Works – Kent Torkelson

Kent updated Council on the following items:

- Paul Driedger is finished around the 23rd of August. He is going back to school.
- The garbage truck broke down in Rosemary today. Fixes are underway
- Kent has ordered a Labree garbage truck. After discussions with the supplier, this is the better option and will be cheaper than originally discussed. Approx. 280,000.
- All the paving projects are complete and have come in within budget.

CAO - Yvonne Cosh

- Municipality Accountability Program was discussed the requirements were attached.
- Land Use Bylaw should be ready for Council review by September.
- The new office is almost complete a few items remain; reception door & the server switch still needs to take place.
- An enquiry as to whether Council would be open to a builder, building on a property and paying for the property after the sale was brought to Council. Council was agreeable to this discussion, but would like Administration to look into it a little more.

Important Municipal Dates update was reviewed

Meeting sheets were handed in

Adjourn 9:26 pm

Next Council meeting August 19, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

Municipal Elected Officials training - Emergency Management October 23 8:30 – 12:00

Mayor Tony Steidel

CAO Yvonne Cosh