

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
March 18, 2019 – 7:00pm
Village of Dutchess Council Chambers

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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
Sharon Zacharias Accountant

Mayor Tony Steidel called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

Motions

014-19 Councillor Kiedrowski motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Village of Dutchess Council held on February 11, 2019 as presented.
Carried Unanimous

015-19 Councillor Preston motioned to adopt the agenda as presented.
Carried Unanimous

Old Business

Councillors discussed the regionalization meeting that was held in Dutchess on March 13, 2019. They reviewed discussions from the other regionalization open houses as well as feedback that has been received from the residents in Dutchess as well as residents from outside the municipal boundaries.

New Business

016-19 Councillor Preston motioned for approval of the cheque listing 16939 - 16976 for a total of \$38,873.09.

Carried Unanimous

017-19 Mayor Steidel motioned to submit a letter to the AUMA in support of the Resource Communities of Canada Coalition.

Carried Unanimous

Kent Torkelson joined the Council meeting at 8:00pm

Mayor Steidel Proclaimed April 7th – 13th as National Volunteer Week within the Village of Dutchess.

The notification of approval of the ACP regional governance study was submitted as information.

There are new requirements as per the Ab Government – Emergency Management Act Local Authority Emergency Management Regulation. This will require a revamp of our plan, additional training for Council and Staff and the development of an Advisory Committee of Council. Administration will continue to review and advise Councillors.

A Strategic Planning Session will be explored and brought back for discussion.

8:20 – 9:11pm Financial update – Sharon Zacharias

Sharon gave a summary of the draft audited financial statements and answered questions. Budget timelines were discussed and some budget dates were set.

018-19 Mayor Steidel motioned to designate \$100,000.00 to a reserve account that will be designated as Infrastructure-Restricted Reserve.

Carried Unanimous

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

019-19 Councillor Kiedrowski motioned to appoint Councillor Tina Preston as an alternate member on NRSWMA.

Carried Unanimous

2. Fire

3. Mayor & Reeves

4. Newell Foundation & Housing *

5. Ag Society

6. Dark Fiber/Broadband ✓
7. Duchess Library
8. Canadian Badlands *
9. Recreation Parks Cultural
10. NRTA
11. FCSS ✓
12. 911 * ✓ The AFFRC radios are ready to be ordered
13. Shortgrass Library *
14. Newell Regional Service
15. Joint Services * ✓
16. Palliser Economic Partnership * ✓
17. ORRSC * ✓

The Local to Global conference update was tabled until April

Reports

Community Peace Officers – John Nesbitt – written report attached

Recreation Centre – Sara Coderre – written report attached

Public Works – Kent Torkelson

Everything has been good. There have been a few frozen trailer. Paul attended the Banff water conference. Kent discussed equipment and talked a bit about budget.

CAO - Yvonne Cosh

2 STEP students have been approved for funding. Fortis power interruptions were discussed. Furniture and computers will need to be ordered soon, costs were discussed.

020-19 Councillor Preston motioned to move the next Council meeting to April 8th, 2019 @7pm due to holiday conflicts and to set Budget meetings to April 4th @ 6pm, April 18th @ 6pm and May 6th @ 7pm. The May Council meeting will be on May 21st as Victoria Day falls on the 20th.

Carried Unanimous

Meeting sheets were handed in

Adjourn 9:35 pm

Next Council meeting April 8th, 2019 @ 7pm

April 4th @ 6:00 pm - Budget
April 8th@ 7:00 pm - Council
April 10th @ 1 – 5:30 - Craig Dobson& Walter Valentini - Broadband
April 18th @ 6:00 pm - Budget
May 6th @ 7:00 pm - Budget
May 21st @ 7:00 pm - Council

Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley

CAO Yvonne Cosh