Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

February 16, 2021 – 6:10 pm

Village of Duchess Council Chambers

Councillors present: Mayor Tony Steidel

Deputy Mayor Kole Steinley Councillor Tina Preston

Councillor Deborah Reid-Mickler

Councillor Shaun James

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO, Kent Torkelson PW Foreman

Councillor Tina Preston called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

Motions

of the Village of Duchess held on January 18, 2021 as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Village of Duchess

O16-21 Councillor James motioned to adopt the agenda as presented.

Carried Unanimously

New Business

O17-21 Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to accept the Regional Assessment Review Clerk Agreement as presented.

Carried Unanimously

O18-21 Councillor Preston motioned to accept entering into the ATCO Gas Agreement as presented for a 10 year term.

Carried Unanimously

019-21 <u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to accept first reading of Bylaw 491-21 - ATCO Gas Agreement.

Carried Unanimously

O20-21 Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to accept the Second reading of Bylaw 490-20 the Municipal Development Plan for the Village of Duchess.

Carried Unanimously

O21-21 <u>Councillor James</u> motioned to adopt Third and final reading of Bylaw 490-20 the Municipal Development Plan for the Village of Duchess.

Carried Unanimously

O22-21 Councillor Preston motioned to appoint Mayor Steidel to vote in the EID plebiscite on behalf of the Village of Duchess.

Carried Unanimously

O23-21 Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to direct Mayor Steidel to vote in favor of the expansion limits that the EID is proposing in their plebiscite vote.

Carried Unanimously

<u>Deputy Mayor Steinley</u> motioned to instruct Administration to write a letter to the Brooks Bulletin endorsing the EID expansion limits.

Carried Unanimously

O25-21 Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to support the policy regarding Recognition of Donors to the Emergency Services as received from the County of Newell.

Carried Unanimously

<u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to have Administration submit a tender document to the Crawling Valley campground for garbage pickup services.

Carried Unanimously

Sharon Zacharias joined the Council meeting at 7:00pm

Sharon reviewed a year end Financial Statement and Balance Sheet Report.

Old Business

O27-21 Councillor Preston motioned to accept the disbursement of MOST funding as presented.

Carried Unanimously

O28-21 Councillor Reid-Mickler motioned to support the original grant application funding model that was submitted to CFEP Small Funding stream. This application will see the Village of Duchess contribution be \$25,000 as originally proposed.

Carried Unanimously

Councillors discussed broadband options.

An update on the Community Garden survey was presented by Admin.

- 129-21 Councillor James motioned to accept the consent agenda items 9 16

 Carried Unanimously
 - 9. Consent Agenda items 9 16

Committee reports

- 1. Mayor Steidel
- a. Newell Regional Solid Waste Management
- b. Fire
- c. Mayors and Reeves
- d. SAEWA
- e. Recreation Parks Cultural
- f. Meeting with Martin Shields 🚖
- 2. Deputy Mayor Steinley
- a. Newell Foundation & Housing 🖈
- b. Ag Society ★✓
- c. ORRSC ✓
- d. NRTA ★✓

- 3. Councillor Shaun James
- a. Duchess Library 🜟
- b. Canadian Badlands
- c. Fire
- 4. Councillor Deborah Reid-Mickler
- a. Shortgrass Library
- b. Newell Regional Service Corporation
- c. Joint Services ★✓
- d. Palliser Economic Partnership ★✓
- e. Brownlee 😭
- f. AUMA Small Communities 🖈
- 5. Councillor Tina Preston
- a. FCSS / EXPO ✓
- b. 911 **√**★
- c. Recreation Parks Cultural
- d. Community Response Committee 🚖
- 10. CAO report 🚖
- 11. Public Works
- 12. Accountant 🚖
- 13. Recreation Centre 🖈
- 14. CPO 🜟
- 15. Cheques no listing
- 16. Information items
 - a. Fortis approved rates for 2021
 - b. Police funding invoices
 - c. Valentines Day walk ✓
 - d. Alberta Rural Connectivity Forum
 - e. MD of Bonnyville letter re: FCM

| Next Council meeting | February 16, 2021 @ 7:00 pm |
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| Adjourn 9:13 pm | |
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CAO Yvonne Cosh