

Minutes of Tuesday February 25, 2014 Joint MEETING OF Nobleford and Lethbridge County COUNCILS IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, held in Nobleford Fire Hall training room, at 107 King Street Nobleford, AT 6:00PM

Council, Nobleford Mayor Don McDowell, Councillor Marguerite Wobick, Councillor Pete Pelley, Councillor Don Holinaty, Councillor Don Vincent

Council Lethbridge County Reeve Lorne Hickey, Councillor Henry Doeve, Councillor Ken Benson, Councillor Steve Campbell, Councillor John Willms

Staff, Nobleford Kirk Hofman, Chief Administrative Officer, Karen Feenstra, Assistant to CAO

Staff Lethbridge County Tracy Anderson, Director of Corporate Services, Larry Randle, Director of Community Services, Kevin Viergutz, Director of Municipal Services

Guests Fire Chief Ryan Wagner and Deputy Chief, Ivan Slingerland

6:00 pm - CAO Hofman welcomed Lethbridge County guests and Fire Chief Wagner and Deputy Chief Slingerland conducted tour of existing hall, equipment and New Fire Hall building expansion.

6:15 - Dinner hosted by Nobleford. Veal cutlets.

6:45 - Mayor McDowell Welcome everyone and asked for self introductions around the table.

6:50 - Mayor McDowell assumed the Chair and called meeting to order.

1. A review of the original discussion and documentation took place regarding the new 3 bay new fire Hall expansion and original \$2200 rental estimate to be paid by County. Nobleford is prepared to reduce rent to \$1500 per month plus insurance and share of utilities. County and Village agreed that this should be included in an updated agreement to be discussed by joint Council committee. Mayor McDowell thanked Chief and Deputy Chief for their attendance. CAO Hofman expressed RCMP accolades on Nobleford and District Emergency services high level of service at # 519 /23 intersection.

2. Fire Hall, dedication event in 2014. Dedication Plaque from Village was reviewed and Mayor. invited County to participate in a dedication event set for Saturday April 12, 2014 11am to 1 pm.

3. 2004, Fire and Rescue Service agreement between Nobleford and County. Nobleford and County both want to see a review of the Agreement. Nobleford would like to see a simplified agreement. A Committee meeting will be arranged with scheduling preferred on 2nd or 4th Tuesday evenings.

4. IMDP, outlook across west portion development issue. Mayor McDowell expressed concerns over the recent Outlook Shop development directly south of Nobleford along #519 and suggested that County, keep Village informed of development even if LUB, and MDP is being followed, good neighbours visit over the fence regularly. County agreed.

5. 519/23 intersection. Discussion took place regarding provincial study considering round about, traffic circle, at 519 / 23 but no money is available and Nobleford Fire Chief report and suggestions;

Nobleford response to incidence at #519 and #23 intersection:

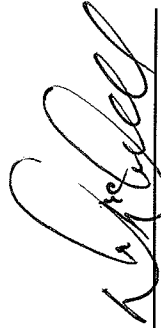
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- 2011 - 5 MVC
- 2012 - 9 MVC
- 2013 - 14 MVC

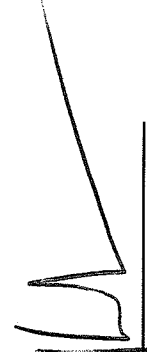
Suggestions

- High visibility signs warning of the intersection ahead
- Reducing the speed limit
- Rumble strips when approaching the intersection
- A four way stop
- A divided highway (Stavelly intersection)
- Four way flashing warning lights
- Intersection monitoring camera

Village will continue to support County activity in making improvements and lobby with the AB Government.

6. Highway #519 commercial or other developments, what are County plans and issues. County is currently doing some planning and studies relayed to development and shall inform Nobleford at a later date in 2014.
7. Nobleford development of Phase 5 of Centennial residential subdivision Mayor McDowell presented a draft concept plan and announced Nobleford is proceeding with self development of phase 5 of centennial residential subdivision, 35 lots. Plan on tendering in late 2014, build in 2015 with residential lots for sale in 2015 and ready to build a home on in fall 2015
8. North Railway Avenue and Highway avenue paving. Discussion took place regarding Nobleford paving 13 street (1300 lin feet) and consideration County willing to share cost on paving North Highway (400 Lin Feet) and Railway (400 lin ft) connectors. As well as rebuilding ½ kilometre of Railway avenue and paving from Nobleford to waste transfer site at an estimated cost of \$500,000. County and Village will prepare a joint grant application for Federal funding for a \$500,000 collaborative Railway Avenue road construction and paving project.
9. Water. Nobleford will be maintaining current water rates, \$1.17 per cubic meter to County and Barons. What are county plans and need for water? Nobleford Council has made a resolution to allow County access to Nobleford potable, pressurized water to service #519 development. If County wants the water there may be a need for capital expansion of Nobleford facilities to accommodate them, mutual planning is required.
10. Recreation Mayor McDowell thanked County for the recent 2014, \$13,448.40 recreation funding, Discussion took place on future regional facilities? (arenas, Pools, Libraries, Museums, ...) Cost of operating recreation and cultural facilities is burden on tax payer as user fees are not sufficient enough. Are there alternatives ?
11. Mayor McDowell thanked every one for attending. Reeve Hickey thanked Nobleford for hosting the meeting and expressed his appreciation for the positive environment in which Nobleford and Lethbridge County work in.
12. Meeting was declared adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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 _____ ADMINISTRATOR

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