

Minutes, FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NOBLEFORD HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 906 HIGHWAY AVENUE, NOBLEFORD on January 17, 2017 at 6:30 pm

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

Staff Karen Feenstra, Acting Chief Administrative Officer; Lisa Wiebe, Recording Secretary.

Call to Order Mayor McDowell called meeting to order at 6:32 pm

Gallery None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

January 17, 2017 Agenda #27-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Holinaty to accept the agenda for the January 17, 2017 regular council meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES CARRIED

January 3, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes #28-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Vincent to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2017 regular Council Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS CARRIED

Lethbridge County Outstanding Account

There are 2 fire department units owned solely by the Village which the county has been receiving revenue for even though they have no ownership in them.

#29-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Pelley to send the following letter to Lethbridge County regarding revenues from fire department units R-101 and C-105 owned solely by the Village of Nobleford:

Lethbridge County
#100, 905 4th Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4E4

Dear Council and Administration,

RE: 1.1.15, Schedule "C" 4, of Fire and Rescue agreement with Lethbridge County.

MVC billing for Non County owned and operated vehicles that County collects Money on from Alberta Transportation.

At this time the Lethbridge County has an outstanding account owed to the Village for Nobleford vehicles R-101 and C-105 attendance at MVC for a portion of 2016.

We understand that the Lethbridge County has billed Alberta Transportation for these vehicles attendance and has received the money.

The Village requested that the Lethbridge County forward to the Village of Nobleford, those funds, paid to the Lethbridge County by Alberta Transportation for R-101 and C-105 attendance at MVC's.

For the future,

- 1- Under the current agreement between Lethbridge County and Nobleford section 1.1.15 referring to Schedule "C" 4;

1.1.15. The following schedules form a part of this Agreement. Upon written notice from one Party to the other, administrative amendments to Schedules 'B','C' or 'D' may be considered and approved without resigning of the agreement as a whole.

Schedule 'C' Annual Funding Formula and Budget.

- 4- All invoicing for emergency responses by the Nobleford and District Emergency Services Department into the County will be administered by the County. Revenue received by the County will be based on complete emergency response reports created and submitted by the Village. Revenue received by the County is tracked and reapplied as an expense within the County Emergency Services budget supporting fire and rescue service agreement fees.

Consider this written notice that we request that the following amendment be made to Schedule "C" without resigning of the agreement as a whole;

- 1- Revenues received by the County for units R-101 and C-105 will be forwarded to the Village annually

OR

- 2- County authorizes the Village to bill Alberta Transportation for R-101 and C-105 attendance at MVC's.

Sincerely
Kirk Hofman
Chief Administrative Officer

Don McDowell
Mayor

CARRIED



FINANCIAL REPORT**Accounts Payable for Approval****#30-2017**

MOVED BY Councillor Wobick to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$9,385.25 for various 2017 memberships and services.

CARRIED

Accounts Payable for Ratification**#31-2017**

MOVED BY Councillor Vincent to ratify accounts payable in the amount of \$30,564.50.

CARRIED

Financial Statement

The education tax payment was a quarterly installment.

#32-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Holinaty to receive as information the December 2016 Financial Statement showing a balance of \$3,644,604.72.

CARRIED

ATB Statement

The payment from Axia was for expenses related to diagnosing/repairing the sewer line they hit when installation of fibre conduit was done in the Fall of 2015.

#33-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Pelley to receive as information ATB Bank Statement ending December 31, 2016.

CARRIED

Step Grant Received**#34-2017**

MOVED BY Councillor Wobick to receive as information the receipt of \$3,675.07 for the Step grant.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS**Transfer Outstanding Accounts to Property Tax**

There are a number of accounts outstanding, despite regular phone calls made regarding balances over \$200.

#35-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Vincent to transfer all outstanding accounts over \$200.00 onto the property tax roll account.

CARRIED

REPORTS to be emailed to admin@nobleford.ca the Thursday prior to meeting to be included in meeting package. Bylaw #595

CAO Written Report: None, absent

Mayor's Written Report: VERBAL: Had Mayors and Reeves meeting, shared that the twinning of Hwy 3 is picking up momentum.

Councillors' Written Reports

M.W. written report: None, VERBAL: had Green Acres Finance Meeting and Audit, shared information about how Piyami lodge/apartments in Picture Butte are organized and run. Discussed FCM in Edmonton and if it would be worthwhile to send someone there.

P.P. written report: None, VERBAL: Had a resident upset with various issues of rules not being followed. Discussed bylaws and how to better enforce them, including possibility of looking into an enforcement officer. Discussing putting in newsletter that bylaw infractions should be brought to the attention of the Village office and vehicle infractions are provincial so RCMP should be contacted for that.

D.V. written report: None, VERBAL: SouthGrow is looking at going to China

D.H. written report: None, VERBAL: will be attending FCSS retreat 18th – 20th of January in Kananaskis

Reports Received**#36-2017**

MOVED BY Councillor Holinaty to receive the Mayor and Councillors' reports.

CARRIED

MEETING DATES**Accept Meeting Dates****#37-2017**

MOVED BY Councillor Wobick to accept the meeting dates:

21 regular Council meetings in 2017, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, Regular Council meeting are at 6:30 pm

February 7, 2017 – CAO absent

February 21, 2017 – CAO absent

March 7, 2017 – CAO absent

March 21, 2017

April 4 & 18, 2017

May 2 & 16, 2017

June 6 & 20, 2017

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

7:03 pm – In Camera
#38-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Pelley to go in camera.

CARRIED

7:08 pm – Out of Camera
#39-2017

MOVED BY Councillor Vincent to go out of camera.

CARRIED

**Nieboer Farm Supplies Outstanding Account
#40-2017**

MOVED BY Councillor Pelley to respond to Nieboer Farm Supplies with the following letter:

Nieboer Farm Supplies
Box 149
Nobleford, AB T0L 1S0

RE: Outstanding Account, December 31, 2016 balance of \$8,347.57

This letter is in response to Pearl Nieboer's December 2016 discussion with and information provided to Mayor McDowell regarding the outstanding amount, \$8347.57, Nieboer Farm Supplies owes the Village for concrete repair in Nobleford, and your reference to an unrelated issue of the past agreement that the Village had with Nieboers related to water outside of Nobleford. The Village has addressed Nieboer's various concerns regarding the past water agreement numerous times and considers these issues addressed. William Nieboer, farm line, also has an outstanding utility account, dating back to 2008, for property outside of Nobleford in the amount of \$290.86.

You, again, suggest that the Village waive the outstanding amount due for concrete repair.

The interest on this account (2% per month) is now more than the principle.

Your request to waive the outstanding account balance has been reoccurring and denied each time.

The Village will once again recognize the Nobleford Council of the day's actions as valid, and shall abide by the resolution supported by Council January 18, 2011, #45-2011:

Nieboer Outstanding Accounts, Concrete replacement

#45-2011 MOVED BY, that the CAO respond to Kevin Nieboer of Nieboer Farm Supplies, informing him that the Village will waive the 2010 accrued interest on the outstanding invoice for the 2010 concrete replacement, and further that the recent transfer of the outstanding balance to Nieboer Farm supply property tax be reversed and consider it an account receivable and that no interest will be charged on the receivable until September 1, 2011
CARRIED

The Village has not received any payment on the outstanding account.

The Village will adjust the invoice for concrete repair as follows:

- The principle plus all accrued interest starting September 1, 2011 till December 31, 2016 is due payable to the Village. Interest up to September 1, 2011 will be removed.
- The outstanding amount will be transferred to your property tax account. You will avoid the standard 2% interest per month from January 1, 2017 to August 31, 2017. Tax account interest shall be added after August 31, at the rate of 12% and another 12% on January 1, 2018.
- Upon payment in full, the Village will void the outstanding \$290.86 on the William Nieboer, farm line, utility account.

It is disappointing that you have chosen to not pay this bill in a timely manner and allowed the interest to accumulate. The Village has offered interest concessions to you in the past that you chose not to accept.

If you would like to make payment arrangements over a specific period of time, please meet with the Village CAO for further discussions. The Village looks forward to your payment.

Sincerely,

Kirk Hofman
Chief Administrative Officer

Don McDowell
Mayor

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McDowell adjourned meeting at 7:13 pm



Mayor


Administrator Acting CAO