

Town of Bishop's Falls
Special Public Council Meeting No. 1352
September 22nd, 2014 @ 7:00 pm
Council Chambers

Minutes

Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor R. Hobbs called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on September 22nd, 2014 and presided with the following individuals in attendance:

Deputy Mayor D. Tremblett
Councillor B. King
Councillor B. Saunders
Councillor K. McDonald
Councillor R. Canning

Randy Drover, Town Manager
Dan Oldford, Town Clerk/Land Officer

Councillor P. Budgell was absent with regrets.

Item 2: Moment of Silent Reflection

A minute of silence was provided for a private reflection/prayer.

Item 3: Adoption of the Agenda

Motion 209/2014 – Councillor Saunders/Councillor Canning

To adopt the agenda for public meeting 1352 as amended.

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Saunders, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Item 4: Waste Water Treatment Project Budget Issue

Resolution 210/2014 – Councillor McDonald/Councillor King

Whereas the Town's consulting engineers and project managers, DMG Consulting Ltd., has projected a budget deficit of \$229,415 (including taxes) in relation to the wastewater treatment project (collector route and Abydoz system); and whereas Council believes it is in the best interest of the parties to



complete the wastewater treatment project as planned rather than to defer certain aspects to future fiscal years; therefore, be it resolved that the Town shall apply for \$229,415 in addition funding, less GST and shared on an 80 (provincial)/20 (municipal) basis, from the Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs;; be it further resolved that the Town shall apply to add the additional funding to the existing contribution agreement.

DISCUSSION/DEBATE

During discussion the following points were raised: 1. If council were to wait another year and apply for MCW funding for this deficit it would jeopardize planned MCW projects. 2. The original figures used for this funding arrangement were based on 2009 figures; therefore expectation of being able to stay within budget was somewhat unrealistic. 3. A request to consider cutting the scope of work to fit the budget was done at the start however any further cuts could affect the overall integrity of the project.

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Saunders, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Item 5: Internal Hiring Policy

Resolution 211/2014 –Deputy Mayor Tremblett/Councillor Canning

Whereas under the article 15, of the Town's Contract with its Union Employees all bargaining unit vacancies/job openings are handled through an Internal hiring process prior to external consideration; and whereas Council agrees the same level of consideration should be given to its non-bargaining employee(s), be it resolved that Council shall adopt the Internal Hiring Policy has presented.

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Saunders, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Item 6: 2013 Financial Statements

Resolution 212/2014 – Councillor Canning/Councillor McDonald

Whereas, the Town is required to have an outside audit completed on an annual basis; and whereas, the Town has engaged Lori K. Mercer, Chartered Accountant to complete such an audit for the Fiscal year 2013; and whereas the 2013 Financial Statements have been presented to Council for consideration; and whereas Council has reviewed the Financial Statement presented and found it to be acceptable, be it therefore resolved that Council shall accept the Financial Statements for 2013 as presented.

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Saunders, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald and Councillor Canning.



Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Item 7: Privileged Session (HR Matters)

Motion 213/2014 – Councillor Canning/Deputy Mayor Tremblett

To dissolve into a privileged session

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Saunders, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

****THE PRIVILEGED SESSION COMMENCED AT 7:46PM****

Motion 214/2014 – Councillor King/Councillor Canning

To cease the privileged session and resume the public meeting.

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Saunders, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

****THE PRIVILEGED SESSION CONCLUDED AT 7:54PM****

Item 8: TCR Grant

Resolution 215/2014 – Councillor McDonald/Councillor Saunders

Whereas Council has received an additional recreation grant from the province for \$6,000; and whereas the Bishop's Falls SkateBoard Park was originally being considered for a \$5,000.00 allotment from the recreation grants, be it therefore resolved that Council shall allot an additional \$2,500.00 from the 2014 Recreational grants towards the construction of the Bishop's Falls SkateBoard Park.

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Saunders, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

Item 9: Adjournment



Motion 216/2014 – Councillor Saunders/Councillor McDonald

That Council shall adjourn public meeting 1352,

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Budgell, and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Resolution Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.



Dan Oldford
Town Clerk/Land Officer



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