

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 24, 2023

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, January 11, 2023 at 6:00 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Public Works Superintendent Eric Blanchard, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/022

Moved that the Council Agenda for January 24, 2023 be amended to include:

- B. Presentation of Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal
- I. 1. (b) Feasibility Study Funding Letter – Irrigation Project

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

Shannon and Gord Collum attended the meeting on behalf of her father David Frank Friesen in order to accept the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal award. Councillor Harold Hollingshead presented the award to the family.

Her late Majesty expressed her wish that Jubilee events be an occasion for enjoying a sense of togetherness and optimism about the future which makes today the perfect opportunity to celebrate the achievements of people who make our community better. It also serves as a tribute to the example set by Her late Majesty throughout her extraordinary lifetime.

Today's medal recipient lead rather than wait to be led. They tackled challenges head-on. They saw problems as opportunities instead of obstacles.

David Frank Friesen has made a significant contribution to Canadian society and in his service to the RCMP. He pursued justice for those who suffered in silence and were dehumanized through Residential school abuse. Friesen understood that the Truth and Reconciliation Commission wanted to bring us to a place where the cycle can be broken and trust can be renewed. Friesen first steps to take us from where we were to where we stand today and will not be forgotten.

Friesen began his career with the RCMP in the 1950's and retired to a farm near Cowley, in 1978 but was still bothered by this case. He connected with a lawyer in Whitehorse in the 1990's who was representing the Lower Post residential schoolboys in a class action lawsuit against the government and the Catholic Church. Mr. Friesen was able to assist the lawyer to locate the original RCMP case files of his investigation in the late 50's and subsequently testified in court on behalf of the abused residential schoolboys. Justice was delayed again until 2021 when the Residential school abuse became public knowledge through the media. Seeking to ensure Lower Post was not forgotten Friesen contacted Patrick White of the Globe & Mail. The full expose of Friesen's story was published by Patrick White in Dec 11, 2021 Issue of the Toronto Globe & Mail. David passed away June 10, 2022

Shannon and Gord Collum left the meeting at this time, the time being 6:10 pm.

C. MINUTES

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1. Committee Meeting Minutes – January 10, 2023

Councillor John MacGarva 23/023

Moved that the Committee Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Council Meeting Minutes – January 10, 2023

Councillor Dave Cox 23/024

Moved that the Council Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

3. Coffee with Council - Beaver Mines Open House

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/025

Moved that the notes from the Coffee with Council in Beaver Mines on January 17, 2023 be accepted as presented.

Carried

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - a) ORRSC
 - b) Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill
 - c) Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Management Organization
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - a) Foothills Little Bow
 - b) Coffee with Council – Beaver Mines
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 - a) Pincher Creek Foundation
 - b) Pincher Creek Library
 - c) Foothills Little Bow
 - d) Pincher Creek Emergency Services
4. Councillor Harold Hollingshead - Division 4
 - a) Foothills Little Bow
 - b) Pincher Creek Foundation
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - a) Lundbreck Citizens Council
 - b) Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Management Organization

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/026

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

H. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

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a) Operations Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/027

Moved that Council receive the Operations report, which includes the call log, for the period January 5, 2023 to January 17, 2023 as information.

Carried

b) Capital Adjustment - Bridge File #75377 Culvert Replacement Deficiencies

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/028

Moved that Council approve \$25,000 in 2023 funds for the capital work required for the BF 75377 Screwdriver Creek Culvert Replacement Deficiencies;

AND THAT Council approve the funding of this capital item through MSI.

Carried

Public Works Superintendent Eric Blanchard left the meeting at this time, the time being 6:45 pm.

2. Finance

a) Carry Forward Reserve – 2022 Year End Adjustments

Councillor Dave Cox 23/029

Moved that Council change the restricted use of the Admin Safety Vests, Planning Documents, AES MRF Setup, and Rounding in the Next Years Completions Reserve, to the Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Reserve (6-12-0-758-6740) for \$29,607;

AND THAT Council approve the changes in the 2022 fiscal period.

Carried

3. Development and Community Services

4. Municipal

a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Councillor John MacGarva 23/030

Moved that Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of January 6, 2023 to January 19, 2023.

Carried

b) Terms of Reference - ASB

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/031

Moved that Council approve the updated terms of reference for the Agricultural Service Board.

Carried

I. POLICY REVIEW

J. CORRESPONDENCE

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1. For Action

a) Oldman Watershed Council

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/032

Moved that Council will not be providing a donation to the Oldman Watershed Council for 2023 as Council does not feel that the direction of the Oldman Watershed Council is supportive of our rural agricultural community.

Carried

Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais left the meeting at this time, the time being 7:00 pm.

b) Feasibility Study Funding Letter – Irrigation Project

Council discussed the Feasibility Study Funding Letter from Honourable Nate Horner, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation. A letter will be prepared, with the background information provided by Councillor Harold Hollingshead, and presented to Council at the February 14, 2023 Council meeting.

2. For Information

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/033

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Ambulance Crisis
 - Letter from the Town of Bon Accord
- b) Economic Impact Analysis of Highway 3 Twinning of Alberta
 - Report prepared by PwC for Highway 3 Twinning Development Association
- c) Alberta Municipal Affairs
 - Letter from Minister Rebecca Schulz
- d) End to Tax Break on Drilling
 - Letter from County of Vermilion River

Carried

K. NEW BUSINESS

L. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Dave Cox 23/034

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 7:26 pm:

a) Fire Response – FOIP Sec. 17

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 23/035

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 7:36 pm.

Carried

a) Fire Response – Petrone

Councillor Tony Bruder 23/036

Moved that Council deny the landowner's subsequent request to cancel or lower the amount on the fire;

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AND THAT Council approve the landowner to work with Administration on a tax notification 3-year payment plan for tax roll 4308.000;

AND FURTHER THAT if the landowner makes continuous payments, Council will waive all further penalties.

Carried

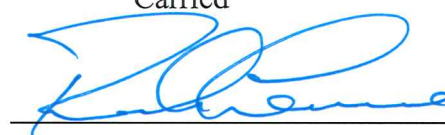
M. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/037

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 7:36 pm.

Carried



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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER