

VILLAGE OF THORSBY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
January 13, 2015
7:00 PM

Call to Order: The Regular meeting of Council was called to order by Mayor Rasch at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor: Barry Rasch
Councillors: Ken Beleshko
Bob Burnett
Rick Hart
Lloyd Jardine
Acting Town Manager: Christine Burke
Recording Clerk: Marianne Belozer

Members at Large

Reporter: Coreena Van de Cappelle, Thorsby Target

AGENDA ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / ADOPTION

Agenda: Councillor Beleshko added item 8.1 Open House Town Manager Response, 8.2 Council Trip to Stettler, Alberta. Councillor Beleshko added item 8.3 Parking of Heavy Transport Trucks on Hwy 778 (52 Street). Councillor Jardine added item 7.4 Finance Motion, 7.5 Independent Accountant Hire Motion, 8.4 Alleyway Access and 1 item for closed session. Acting Town Manager Burke added 7.6 Utilities to be transferred to Thorsby & District Cultural and Historical Society. Mayor Rasch added 1 item for closed session.

2015-001 Moved by Councillor Hart to adopt the agenda as amended.
Carried.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2014
3.2 Special Council Meeting Minutes of December 30, 2014

2015-002 Moved by Councillor Hart that motion #2014-372 in the December 9th minutes be moved to motion #2014-373, the motion was made after Council returned to the regular meeting.
Carried.

2015-003 Moved by Councillor Burnett to accept the Regular Council meeting minutes of December 9, 2014 as amended and accept the Special Council meeting minutes of December 30, 2014 as presented.
Carried.

DELEGATION

OPEN HOUSE

PROCLAMATIONS / CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 FCM – Federation of Canadian Municipalities Membership

2015-004 Moved by Councillor Hart that the FCM membership be renewed for the period of April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016.
Carried.

6.2 North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

2015-005 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept this item as information.
Carried.

6.3 City of Leduc/Leduc County – “Joint” Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast

Councillor Hart made a suggestion to Mayor Rasch that each Councillor and Deputy Mayor decide on their own if they want to attend and cover the \$15 cost themselves.

6.4 Leduc County Fire Services – Thorsby District December 2014 Report

2015-006 Moved by Councillor Jardine to accept this report as information.
Carried.

6.5 Thorsby & District Cultural and Historical Society – MOU

2015-007 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept this item as information.
Carried.

RESOLUTIONS/BYLAWS

7.1 Borrowing Bylaw 2015-01 Third Reading

2015-008 Moved by Councillor Hart that Borrowing Bylaw 2015-01 be given third and final reading.
Carried.

7.2 Record Destruction as per Retention Bylaw #2005-08

2015-009 Moved by Councillor Burnett that Council allow Administration to destroy municipal records 2015 listing as per bylaw #2005-08.
Carried.

7.3 Hall Committee – Rescind Motion #2014-238

2015-010 Moved by Councillor Hart that Council rescind motion 2014-238 to form a non-profit Hall Board to generate interest in cultural, historical and social values to determine the future financial viability of the Community Hall.
Carried.

7.4 Finance Motion

2015-011 Moved by Councillor Jardine that the Town Manager/Director of Finance provide Council the following documents by 5:00 p.m. on January 23, 2015:

1. 2012 Thorsby Financial Operating Budget
2. 2013 Thorsby Financial Operating Budget and actual expenditures
3. 2014 Thorsby Financial Operating Budget and variance report
4. Cost sharing payment received from Leduc County for the operation of the Thorsby Recreation Centre
5. Salaries of all employees of the Thorsby Recreation Centre for 2014
6. All programs offered by the Thorsby Recreation Centre for 2014. Programs offered, attendance, cost recovery.

4-1 Carried.
Councillor Jardine, Deputy Mayor Beleshko, Councillor Burnett & Mayor Rasch – In Favor, Councillor Hart – Opposed

7.5 Independent Accountant Hire Motion

Tabled for Closed Session.

7.6 Utilities to be transferred to Thorsby & District Cultural and Historical Society

2015-012 Moved by Councillor Hart that Council make a one-time exception to permit the registration of utilities for the Thorsby & District Community Hall be put into the name of Thorsby & District Cultural and Historical Society following the signing of the formal lease document.
Carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 Open House Town Manager Response

2015-013 Moved by Councillor Hart that questions brought up at a Council meeting be addressed by the Town Manager at the next Council meeting as to the disposition.
Carried.

8.2 Council Trip to Stettler, Alberta

2015-014 Moved by Councillor Burnett that expenses & honorariums be covered for the trip to Stettler to visit the Water Commission.
Carried.

2015-015 Moved by Councillor Hart that all participants on the information trip to Stettler be Councillor Jardine, Councillor Burnett, Mayor Rasch and Acting Town Manager Burke.
Carried.

8.3 Parking of Heavy Transport Trucks on Hwy 778 (52 Street)

Discussion commenced amongst Council. Council directed Administration to find out information from Alberta Transportation regarding signage and look at the Traffic bylaw then report back to Council on the findings.

8.4 Alleyway Access

Councillor Jardine brought forth a letter from a resident requesting alleyway access to their property.

A brief discussion was initiated with Council directing Administration to send the resident a letter on behalf of Council's acknowledgment and attain more information on the subject then report back to Council.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

9.1 Acting Town Manager Burke – verbal report

- Old water treatment plant flooding
- Met with CAO's regarding the regional collaboration grant
- Water valves – budget process and operations planning

2015-016 Moved by Councillor Burnett to accept the verbal report as information.
Carried.

FINANCIAL

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1 Mayor Rasch

- 39/20 Alliance Mtg. upcoming
- Chamber of Commerce Mtg. upcoming
- Leduc County Mtg. – Rec Cost Share
- Water Committee Mtg.
- Stettler Field Trip upcoming
- Commonwealth group Mtg.

11.2 Deputy Mayor Beleshko

- Water initiative meetings at the U of A

11.3 Councillor Burnett

- Water initiative discussions with other gov't bodies

11.4 Councillor Hart

- Christmas Dinner
- Leduc Foundation interviews
- Leduc County Mtg.
- 39/20 Alliance Mtg. upcoming

11.5 Councillor Jardine

- Nothing at this time.

2015-017 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the reports as presented.
Carried.

2015-018 Moved by Councillor Hart to recess for 5 minutes at 8:30 P.M.
Carried.

2015-019 Moved by Councillor Hart that the regular meeting return to session at 8:35 P.M.
Carried.

2015-020 Moved by Councillor Hart that the meeting go to Closed Session at 8:35 P.M.
Carried.

IN CAMERA SESSION

2015-021 Moved by Councillor Hart to return to the regular meeting at 9:58 P.M.
Carried

2015-022 Moved by Councillor Jardine to extend the regular meeting of Council to 10:15 P.M.
Carried.

2015-023 Moved by Councillor Hart that the meeting go into Closed Session at 9:59 P.M.
Carried.

2015-024 Moved by Councillor Hart to return to the regular meeting at 10:15 P.M.
Carried.

2015-025 Moved by Councillor Jardine that for the performance of duties for January 2015, the Acting Town Manager be awarded an amount of \$1000.00 in the form of a bonus.
Carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

2015-026 Moved by Councillor Hart to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 P.M.
Carried.

Barry Rasch, Mayor

Christine Burke, Acting Town Manager

Date Adopted