

VILLAGE OF THORSBY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 9, 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

Town Manager:
Members at Large

Christine Burke

Reporter:

Coreena Van de Cappelle, Thorsby Target
Mark Wierzbicki, Leduc Representative

AGENDA ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / ADOPTION

Mayor Rasch made a correction to item 8.3 Celebration Committee – Councillor Burnett. Town Manager Burke added item 8.5 Council Support for Grant Application and item 8.6 Complex Hours of Operation.

2015-199

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- 3.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2015
- 3.2 Special Council Meeting Minutes of May 29, 2015

2015-200

Moved by Councillor Jardine to accept the Regular Council meeting minutes of May 14, 2015 and the Special Council Meeting Minutes of May 29, 2015 as presented.
Carried.

DELEGATION

4.1 Thorsby Library Board

Sharon Siedel, Library Board Chair
Mary Jablonski, Library Board Treasurer

Mrs. Siedel updated Council on upgrades at the library. For the months of July and August the Library will be closed on Saturdays because of low patronage during the summer. The Board will be tracking usage at the Library for budgeting purposes. The Library Board recommended Council appoint Tamara Saarela and John Hawtin as new Library Board members for a three year term commencing September 1, 2015.

2015-201

Moved by Councillor Jardine that Council accept the Library Board recommendation to appoint Tamara Saarela and John Hawtin to the Library Board commencing September 1, 2015.
Carried.

OPEN HOUSE

Town Manager Burke gave a verbal response on the actions taken in responding to the Open House item from the May 26, 2015 Regular Meeting of Council, she also gave an update on the information tracker.

Mitch Williams

- Mr. Williams read a prepared statement to address a grievance he has with the Village of Thorsby

Mayor Rasch called the Open House closed.

PROCLAMATIONS / CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS

6.1 Wabamun Dragonfly Festival Parade

2015-202

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

6.2 Leduc & District Victim Services

2015-203

Moved by Councillor Beleshko to accept this item as information.
Carried.

6.3 Bylaw Enforcement May 2015 Report

2015-204

Moved by Councillor Jardine to accept this item as information.
Carried.

RESOLUTIONS/BYLAWS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 Capital Purchase – Mower

- Town Manager Burke

Council decided to defer the purchase of grass cutting equipment until prices could be reviewed and Council could take advantage of dealer incentives in the fall.

2015-205

Moved by Councillor Beleshko that Council defer the discussion to purchase a new mower to October 2015; review the prices and instruct the Town Manager accordingly.
Carried.

8.2 Kuzio letter of Appreciation

- Councillor Jardine

It was brought to Councils attention that members of the Catholic Church cleaned up and cut the grass at the Thorsby Community Cemetery. Councillor Jardine asked that a letter of thanks be sent on behalf of Council.

2015-206

Moved by Councillor Jardine that Council send Mr. and Mrs. Rod Kuzio and members of the Catholic Church a letter of thanks for cutting the grass and upkeep of the Thorsby Community Cemetery.
Carried.

2015-207

Moved by Councillor Burnett that a friendly amendment be made to the motion to include signatures of the Mayor and Councillors on the letter of appreciation.
Carried.

2015-208

Moved by Councillor Hart that a meeting to resolve long term plans between Council and the Churches be set up and put on the Council Information Tracker.
Carried.

8.3 Celebration Committee

- Councillor Burnett

Councillor Burnett would like to see a "Celebration Committee" formed. This committee would oversee the May Long weekend parade, and other events as required.

2015-209

Moved by Councillor Burnett to refer this item to the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 30th for further discussion.
Carried.

8.4 Land Use Bylaw

- Town Manager Burke

Town Manager Christine Burke would like to see the Land Use Bylaw updated, as many portions of the Bylaw are open to interpretation.

2015-210

Moved by Councillor Burnet that Council direct Town Manager Burke to seek clarity on assessment and revenue of consolidation of lots on one title.
Carried.

8.5 Council Support for Grant Application

- Kelley Probe

Kelley Probe asked that Council pass a motion of support for a grant application to replace the roof of the Recreation Complex.

2015-211

Moved by Councillor Hart that Council is committed to financially supporting the roof replacement project for the Thorsby Arctic Spa Recreation Complex to be completed no later than March 31, 2018 subject to successful grant application to the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program or other funding opportunities that may arise.
Carried.

8.6 Complex Hours

- Kelley Probe

A change in Recreation Complex hours was requested, but Council felt that the hours should remain the same until the Recreation Report is presented.

2015-212

Moved by Councillor Hart to leave the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex hours of operation as they have traditionally been until the recreation report is presented to Council.
Carried.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

FINANCIAL

10.1 Cheque Registers

2015-213

Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the cheque registers as information.
Carried.

10.2 Variance Report

2015-214

Moved by Councillor Jardine to accept the variance report as information.
Carried.

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1 Mayor Rasch

- 39/20 Alliance Mtg.
- School Pancake Breakfast
- Leduc #1 – Pancake Breakfast
- CRB Mtg. – upcoming
- High School Graduation – upcoming
- Mud Slayers - upcoming

11.2 Deputy Mayor Beleshko

- FCSS Meet & Greet – upcoming

11.3 Councillor Burnett

- Thorsby Public Market Mtg.

11.4 Councillor Hart

- 39/20 Alliance - upcoming
- Leduc Foundation Mtg. & Bar-B-Que – upcoming
- FCSS Meet & Greet - upcoming

11.5 Councillor Jardine

- Library Board Mtg.
- CRB Land Use Mtg. - upcoming
- FCSS Meet & Greet - upcoming

2015-215

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

2015-216

Moved by Councillor Beleshko to recess for 5 minutes at 8:30 P.M.
Carried.

2015-217

Moved by Councillor Hart that the regular meeting return to session at 8:40 P.M.
Carried.

2015-218

Moved by Councillor Hart to that the meeting go to Closed Session at 8:40 P.M.
Carried.

IN CAMERA SESSION

2015-219

Moved by Councillor Jardine that the meeting go to Closed Session at 9:21 P.M.
Carried.

2015-220

Moved by Councillor Hart to return to the regular meeting at 9:22 P.M.
Carried.

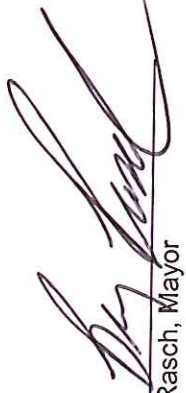
2015-221

Moved by Councillor Burnett that Council instructs our C.A.O. to engage an independent appraiser of her choice to provide an appraisal for the property at 4912 Hankin Street.
Carried.

2015-222

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Councillor Hart to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 P.M.
Carried.



Barry Rasch, Mayor



Christine Burke, Town Manager

June 23, 2015

Date Adopted