

**VILLAGE OF THORSBY**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**February 23, 2016**  
**7:00 PM**

Call to Order: The Regular meeting of Council was called to order by Mayor Rasch at 6:55 P.M.

Present: Mayor: Barry Rasch  
Councillors: Bill Adams  
Rick Hart  
Lloyd Jardine  
Town Manager/CAO: Christine Burke  
Recording Clerk: Marianne Belozer

Members at Large

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

Mayor Rasch gave a verbal memorial tribute on behalf of Council to the late Deputy Mayor Bob Burnett and he asked all in attendance for a minute of silence.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / ADOPTION**

Councillor Jardine added item #8.5 Business License for Media and Town Manager Burke added item #8.6 Tribute for Deputy Mayor Burnett - Donation to the Canadian Diabetes Association on behalf of Council, to the Agenda.

2016-064 Moved by Councillor Adams to adopt the agenda as amended.  
*Carried.*

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

**3.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 9, 2016**

Councillor Hart advised there was an error on Motion #2016-040 it reads: "*Carried Unanimously*" and it should read "*Carried*" it was a recorded vote which was not unanimous.

Councillor Jardine advised that he had made a motion to receive third reading on Bylaw #2016-04 and his motion was defeated, this was not recorded in the minutes of February 9, 2016.

2016-065 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the meeting minutes of February 9, 2016 as amended.  
*Carried.*

**DELEGATION**

**4.1 Cory Gilbert, President – Thorsby & District Historical & Cultural Society**

Mr. Gilbert approached Council giving them an update on the progressions the Society has achieved at the Thorsby Community Centre throughout the year, stating they have had 38 bookings, 15 kitchen rentals, as well as several weekly bookings and events.

He advised they would like to see 50 bookings per year and want to try more in house events such as movies and look forward to a Trade Show. He gave a special thank you to all the Volunteers that put in many hours of hard work with the renovations and upgrades that have been completed.

He also said the Society doesn't have a business plan as yet, the first year has been some trial and error.

Councillor Hart gave them best wishes on behalf of Council and said they have been doing a great job and realizes that it is a process to get the hall up to a modern standard.

Mayor Rasch thanked Mr. Gilbert for his attendance.

## **OPEN HOUSE**

### **5.1 Open House Update**

Town Manager Burke gave Mrs. Robb a brief reply on the lighting costs she requested from the last Open House.

### **5.2 Council Information Request Tracker**

Town Manager Burke gave an update on the information tracker.

### **5.3 Open House**

Mayor Rasch called the Open House open.

Irene MacPherson

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings on Bylaw to get rid of open house
- Coming into Thorsby the flood light doesn't point in the right direction

Debbie Robb

- Irritate about Open House changes
- Thanked Councillor Hart for keeping the office open during lunch time

Mayor Rasch called the Open House closed.

## **PROCLAMATIONS / CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS**

### **6.1 Johnetta Lemke, Board Chair – Black Gold Regional Div. No 18 – Letter to Municipal Affairs**

2016-066 Moved by Councillor Jardine to accept this item as information.  
*Carried.*

## **RESOLUTIONS/BYLAWS**

### **7.1 39/20 ACP Sub-group project – Alberta Community Partnership Grant**

2016-067 Moved by Mayor Rasch that Council support the Alberta Community Partnership Grant application identified as the 39/20 Alliance sub-group.  
*Carried.*

## **7.2 Bylaw #2016-04 Amend Meeting Procedures Bylaw #2008-08**

2016-068 Moved by Councillor Jardine that Bylaw #2016-04 receive third and final reading.  
*Carried.*

## **7.3 Bylaw #2016-05 Amend Meeting Procedures Bylaw #2008-08**

2016-069 Moved by Councillor Adams that Bylaw #2016-05 receive third and final reading.  
*IN FAVOR:* Mayor Rasch, Councillor Jardine, Councillor Adams  
*OPPOSED:* Councillor Hart  
*Carried.*

## **7.4 Bylaw #2015-10 Borrowing Bylaw for Mower**

2016-070 Moved by Councillor Hart that Bylaw #2015-10 be given second reading.  
*Carried.*

2016-071 Moved by Councillor Jardine that Bylaw #2015-10 receive third and final reading.  
*Carried.*

## **7.5 Asset Disposal – Planters**

2016-072 Moved by Councillor Adams that Council approve the disposal of the 10 tulip shaped aggregate concrete planters as per Policy #2013-001 Properties Disposal and any funds raised be applied to the container replacement program.  
*Carried.*

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **8.1 Thorsby & District Lions Club – Donation Request**

2016-073 Moved by Councillor Jardine that Council approve the donation request of \$200.00 to the Thorsby & District Lions Club for the annual Easter Egg Hunt event.  
*Carried.*

### **8.2 Black Gold Regional Div. No. 18 Schools – Enrollment**

2016-074 Moved by Councillor Adams that a meeting be set up with Mayor Rasch and the Leduc County Representative to approach Black Gold Schools to find out what is going on with the loss of student enrollment.  
*Carried.*

### **8.3 Thorsby Municipal Office – Hours of Operation**

2016-075 Moved by Councillor Hart that the office remain open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with the office being open between 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. for the month of March for a trial period. Councillor Jardine asked for a friendly amendment to add starting March 7<sup>th</sup> to April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for a trial period. Councillor Hart accepted the friendly amendment.  
*Carried.*

### **8.4 Leduc Foundation**

Discussion commenced regarding the disrepair of the signage at Happy Haven.

2016-076 Moved by Mayor Rasch that a meeting be set up with Leduc Foundation to discuss concerns Council has with Happy Haven and to find out where the Foundation is at with their planning process.  
*Carried.*

Administration was directed to draft a letter for Councillor Hart to take to the next meeting of Leduc Foundation.

### **8.5 Business License for Local Media**

- 2016-077 Moved by Councillor Jardine that Administration investigate Business License requirements for local media and bring back recommendations to Council. Councillor Hart asked to add a friendly amendment that this item be brought forth at the 39/20 Alliance.  
*Carried.*

### **8.6 Tribute to Deputy Mayor Bob Burnett - Donation to the Canadian Diabetes Association on behalf of Council**

- 2016-078 Moved by Councillor Hart that Administration be directed to make a \$100.00 donation in the name of Bob Burnett to the Canadian Diabetes Association on behalf of the Village of Thorsby Council.  
*Carried.*

- 2016-079 Moved by Councillor Hart to recess for 10 minutes at 8:30 P.M.  
*Carried.*

- 2016-080 Moved by Mayor Rasch that Council return to the regular meeting at 8:44 P.M.  
*Carried.*

## **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

### **9.1 CAO/Public Works**

- 2016-081 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the report as presented.  
*Carried.*

### **9.2 Chief Financial Officer**

### **9.3 Recreation Co-ordinator**

- 2016-082 Moved by Councillor Jardine to accept the CFO and Recreation Co-ordinator's reports as information.  
*Carried.*

### **9.4 F.C.S.S. Co-ordinator**

Patti Adams presented a verbal report and answered some questions from Council.

- 2016-083 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the F.C.S.S. Co-ordinator's report as presented.  
*Carried.*

## **FINANCIAL**

### **10.1 Cheque Registers**

- 2016-084 Moved by Councillor Hart to accept the Cheque Registers as information.  
*Carried.*

## **MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **11.1 Mayor Rasch**

- CRB Mtg.
- Chamber of Commerce Mtg.
- Economic Development Workshop
- Leduc County Inter-Municipal Mtg.
- Thorsby & District Library Board Mtg.
- C.U.R.B.Y. Mtg.
- 39/20 Upcoming

### **11.2 Councillor Adams**

- Nothing at this time

### **11.3 Councillor Hart**

- Nothing at this time
- Upcoming meetings

### **11.4 Councillor Jardine**

- Assessment Appeal Board Training

2016-085 Moved by Councillor Hart that the reports of Council be accepted as presented.  
*Carried.*

## **IN CAMERA SESSION**

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

2016-086 Moved by Councillor Adams to adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 9:19 P.M.  
*Carried.*

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Barry Rasch, Mayor

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Christine Burke, Town Manager

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Date Adopted