

**Regular Meeting of Council for the  
Village of Carmangay,  
February 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.  
at the Village Office**

**CALL TO ORDER** Meeting was called to order 6:05 p.m.

**GUESTS** None

**PRESENT** Kym Nichols, Mayor  
Sheila Smidt, Deputy Mayor  
Stacey Hovde, Councilor – via Skype  
Heather O’Halloran, Administrator  
Sue Dahl, Assistant Administrator

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to approve the agenda for February 21, 2017.**  
**Carried**

**MINUTES**

To approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on January 17, 2017.

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held January 17, 2017.**

**Carried**

To approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 8, 2017.

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 8, 2017**

**Carried**

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

A plugged sewer at 112 Grand Avenue required Roto-Rooter, as our snake would not cut through the blockage. It turned out to be tree roots on the Village side of the property. Tex is booked for the Alberta Water and Wastewater Operators Association conference in Banff for the week of March 13-17. Scott helped out a couple of days with snow removal. Tex and Heather met with AB environment. New tires have been purchased and installed on the backhoe. Tex is still working mostly half days.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None.

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***ADMINISTRATOR REPORT***

Have been culling files of 2016 into storage, must look into what old stuff can be shredded as the storage room is getting very full. Met with AB environment to do a review of our water practices. We received a better than satisfactory and there are a couple of small changes that we have to make. 1) Take samples from more locations and 2) include time and location on our spreadsheet. Water bills will be prepared this week. Prep of Bylaws #764 & 765. Prep work on the 2017 tax arrears list as it must be sent in by March 31 – letters were sent out to residents who are in danger of going on the list. Met with FCSS in regards to St. Pat's. Plans are progressing well. Parade will be at 11am SHARP. The Grange will have Irish coffee and green beer following the parade. The Village will serve an Irish stew lunch at the Senior's – all proceeds to the Food Bank building fund. The Village Office will be closed that day. Administration would like to ask council – if a member of the public approaches them with a Village complaint or concern to direct that person to bring their concerns to the office, preferably with a written signed letter.

***FINANCIAL REPORTS***

Approval for accounts payable for January 2017.

Approval of monthly statement for January 2017.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to accept the financial reports for January 2017.**

**Carried.**

***OLD BUSINESS***

Muniserve Agreement – An agreement sent out in 2013 with the assessor was never officially signed. We have been paying the rates as detailed in the agreement.

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to sign the agreement.**

**Carried.**

***NEW BUSINESS***

a) Procedural Bylaw #764 – A bylaw to regulate the procedure and conduct of council and council committee meetings

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to proceed with 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Bylaw #764.**

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to proceed with 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Bylaw #764.**

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to proceed with 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Bylaw #764.**

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde for unanimous consent**

**By unanimous consent, 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Bylaw # 764.**

**Carried.**

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b) Cemetery Bylaw amendment #765 – A bylaw to regulate and control the operation of the Carmangay Cemetery, rescinding bylaw #754

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to proceed with 1st reading of Bylaw #765.**

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to proceed with 2nd reading of Bylaw #765.**

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to proceed with 3rd reading of Bylaw #765.**

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde for unanimous consent**

**By unanimous consent, 3rd reading of Bylaw # 765.**

**Carried.**

## ***REPORTS***

### **a) ORRSC**

No report

### **b) MARQUIS**

2016 year-end review was on budget. Vacancy is still an issue with 3 units empty in Carmangay, 1 in Lomond and 10 singles in Vulcan. Decision to conduct an open house with board members present to help with guests. Alberta Seniors and Housing granted \$22,000 for Capital upgrades which include replacement of furnaces and all units were installed with carbon monoxide detectors. Resident survey was taken – very candid feedback and all were taken into consideration.

### **c) VULCAN DISTRICT SOLID WASTE**

No report

### **d) CARMANGAY AND DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD**

Chinook Arch - Municipal Affairs workshop on how to gather information for library plan of service.

Carmangay Library – Discussed fundraising for flooring in the library to replace carpet. Grant will be applied for as well as asking local service groups. Board member previously resigned has come back. Another resident has agreed to join the board so we still need one more member. Board has discussed inviting someone from the colony to join the board. Anne Kirby and Yvonne Lyon have both resigned.

### **e) SUBDIVISION APPEAL BOARD**

No report. Summertime Colony has won the right to appeal.

### **f) FCSS**

80 Christmas hampers were prepared and delivered. 8,011 lbs of food was donated as well as cash. There is still an excessive demand on the food bank in this New Year, also for pet food. Edmonton sent down a pallet of food. Shelf space allow for more efficient shelving and picking. Request for budgeting class which was well attended. Looking to hire someone to give cooking classes and to show how to prepare food and use leftovers. First Aid and Farm Safety geared to foreign workers with barriers to reading and writing English. FCSS offers assistance on tax forms or any government forms. Developed a policy in regards to family members employed at FCSS or food bank.

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**g) HALL BOARD**

No report

**h) SOUTHGROW**

After analyzing 3 companies to do a study on Broadband in southern AB. 1) What there is now 2) What do we want now 3) What we'll need in the future. The contract was awarded to a Lethbridge company to develop a technology growth strategy for the 24 member communities.

Southwest Alberta Annual Meeting Presenters Randyn Seibold from Solar Optix speaking about solar energy projects. Ryan Dick from Terrapin Geothermics talking about extracting heat from abandoned hot wells to produce power. Bev spoke about the advancement of electric vehicle charging stations developing a corridor on high traffic areas.

Doug Griffiths' dynamic presentation on 13 ways to kill your community. Very well attended.

**i) TWIN VALLEY REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION**

Delegation met with the Town of Vulcan. Parks Canada want to have Little Bow Park on line and wants Twin Valley to supply the water thru Champion. Kirkcaldy wants to be on line by this fall. The board gave them approval to a trickle system instead of a reservoir.

**k) MAYORS AND REEVES OF SOUTHWEST ALBERTA**

No report

**l) HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

No report

***CORRESPONDENCE***

Fortis – An application to the AUC has been made to decrease the Maintenance Multiplier from 1.10 to 1.09. If approved, this will reduce our distribution charges by \$0.20/month/fixture.

Vulcan County – 2016 Physician Recruitment and Retention Program – after some very careful auditing, it was discovered that there has been some discrepancies with our payments in past years. After all the numbers have been settled, Carmangay owed an extra \$28.29 for 2016.

***EXECUTIVE SESSION***

Councillor Stacey Hovde moved to go in camera at 6:53 pm

Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt moved to go out of camera at 6:57 pm

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***ADJOURNMENT***

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Committee of the Whole – March 8, 2017 at 10:00 am

Regular Council meeting – March 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm

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Mayor

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Administrator