

**Regular Meeting of Council for the  
Village of Carmangay,  
May 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.  
at the Village Office**

**CALL TO ORDER** Meeting was called to order 6:02 p.m.

**GUESTS** Darryl Scase, Scase and Co.  
Cecil and Carol Sabourin

**PRESENT** Kym Nichols, Mayor  
Sheila Smidt, Deputy Mayor  
Stacey Hovde, Councilor  
Heather O'Halloran, Administrator  
Sue Dahl, Assistant Administrator  
Caroline Erb

**PRESENTATIONS**

Darryl Scase presented the audited books for 2016. The Village is in good financial standing. We have paid off all our loans.

Cecil and Carol spoke in regards to the letter they received from Stacey and Rita Hovde about having alpacas. They are against the alpacas.

Cecil spoke about his participation in the windmill blade being brought into the Village when he was on council. He questioned why the development of the site has stalled. Councilor Hovde explained that it is his feeling that proper procedure was not followed and that the MPC and residents should have input into future development of the site.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Additions to the Agenda – New Business – Eric Matlock quote  
- Business Arising – Update on Reneau

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to approve the agenda with additions for May 16, 2017.**

**Carried**

**MINUTES**

To approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on April 18, 2017.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held April 18, 2017.**

**Carried**

***PUBLIC WORKS REPORT***

Landscaping and seeding on Elmore Street is done, may need a bit more work depending on how the grass come in. Watering on Elmore Street continues, depending on rain. Mowing has started full force. Hauled some garbage from the old fire hall. Began to haul some garbage for the community cleanup for people who had to put out their garbage in advance of the actual day. The lift station had a major backup. Opened and closed a site at the cemetery.

***BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES***

a) Update on Reneau – Trial for theft of water and sewer was held on May 26<sup>th</sup> against William Reneau. Vulcan RCMP, Vulcan County Peace Officer, Heather, Tex, and Scott were all subpoenaed to testify against Mr. Reneau. He was found guilty on all charges. No word on the financial remuneration to the Village.

***ADMINISTRATOR REPORT***

Only one assessment change was received from the assessor. The office has not received any complaints in regards to the values. The census forms were mailed out. So far, exactly half have been returned. Administration looked into whether the Village can enter a property and remove unsightly items, and we cannot without a court order. Rhodes Electric was here and has sent in a quote to redo the lighting in the office and post office.

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to have Administration research realtors for Council to choose from to list Village owned residential lots.**

**Carried**

***FINANCIAL REPORTS***

Approval for accounts payable for May 2017.

Approval of monthly statement for May 2017.

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to accept the financial reports for May 2017.**

**Carried**

***NEW BUSINESS***

- a) McFarland Trail – The library is interested in applying for a recreation grant to revive the McFarland Trail with new gravel and replacing the signage. Quotes have been acquired and further investigation will follow.
- b) Summer Schedule – In previous years, council has entertained the idea of not having a meeting in either July or August. Neither Deputy Mayor Smidt nor Councillor Hovde feels this is necessary.

c) Operating facility – To send the financial statements to ATB to explore the option of the Village obtaining an operating line of credit.

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to send the audited financial statements to ATB**  
**Carried**

d) Accept and sign financial statements – Scase presented the audited books.

**Motion made by Deputy Sheila Smidt to accept and sign the financial statements.**  
**Carried**

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to engage Scase and Company for 2017.**  
**Carried**

e) Final budget date – a date must be set to read and sign the 2017 tax bylaw. Usually held around the end of May. Discussion. Decided to hold on May 30<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

**Councillor Stacey Hovde excused himself from the meeting due to pecuniary interest at 7:53pm.**

f) Hovde letter – Stacey Hovde and his family have purchased Village property near the entrance of the Village and have asked permission to put 3 alpacas on the land. They gave letters to the neighbors and gave a copy of the letter to the office stating their intention.

Bylaw 646 regulates the keeping of wild or domestic animals or poultry within the Village limits.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to uphold Bylaw 646 in the keeping of wild or domestic animals or poultry in the Village of Carmangay in regards to the letter received by Stacey and Rita Hovde.**

**Carried**

Administration will draft a letter to Stacey and Rita Hovde saying that at this time, we cannot allow your request. However we will be revisiting our Bylaw 646.

**Councillor Stacey Hovde returned to the meeting at 8:11pm.**

g) Martens letter – Isabella Martens wrote a letter to the Village requesting permission to be allowed two female bunnies.

Bylaw 646 regulates the keeping of wild or domestic animals or poultry within the Village limits.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to uphold Bylaw 646 in the keeping of wild or domestic animals or poultry in the Village of Carmangay in regards to the letter received by Isabella Martens.**

**1 in favor 2 opposed**

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Administration will draft a letter to Isabella saying that at this time, we cannot allow your request. However we will be revisiting our Bylaw 646.

- h) Extension on Emergency Grant – We received a grant last year that was to be used by June of this year. We can extend this until November 2017.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to apply for an extension on the Emergency Grant funds.**

**Carried**

- i) MSI grant extension – MSI grant funding has been extended by 2 years. We need to sign the extension letter.

**Motion made by Councillor Stacey Hovde to sign the MSI extension letter.**

**Carried**

- j) Matlock quote – Eric Matlock gave the Village some quotes from Shawnee Excavating for digging in the waterline to his property. Administration will confirm with Shawnee that a 4 inch line will support additional future tie-ins.

***REPORTS***

**a) ORRSC**

No report

**b) MARQUIS**

See report – page 6

**c) VULCAN DISTRICT SOLID WASTE**

Auditor report – books were good. New signs at our recycle bin using pictures instead of wording.

**d) CARMANGAY AND DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD**

See report – page 7

**e) SUBDIVISION APPEAL BOARD**

Denny & Wendy Johnson mobile home development – decision upheld by appeal board

**f) FCSS**

See report – page 8

**g) HALL BOARD**

Meeting May 22?

**h) SOUTHGROW**

See report – page 9

**i) TWIN VALLEY REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION**

See report – page 10

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

See report – page 11

**k) HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Fire Hall foundation work has been started.

***CORRESPONDENCE***

~ Town of Picture Butte – parade – August 19<sup>th</sup>

~ Farm Safety – asking for donation

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Sheila Smidt to donate \$50 to Farm Safety**

~ Dory and the Weathermen – a band available for Canada Day events

~ Canada Post will possibly be reducing their hours beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> – 10am-12noon, 1pm-4pm

~ Twin Valley Regional Water Commission – any time we are doing any work to the water plant, Twin Valley must be informed at least 2 weeks prior to work starting.

***EXECUTIVE SESSION***

None

***ADJOURNMENT***

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

Next Regular Council meeting – June 20, 2017 at 6:00 pm

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Mayor

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Administrator