

COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7

COUNTY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2008 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Call to Order

County Manager Dan Small called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with the following in attendance:

DIVISION	NAME	A.M.	P.M.
ATTENDANCE			

1	CHARLES NEWELL	X	
2	KEVIN GRUMETZA	X	
3	HENRY ZOLKEWSKI	X	
4	CORI KUZYK	X	
5	WAYNE CROSWELL	X	
County Manager	DAN SMALL	X	
Director of Gas and Utilities	VICKI ZINYK	X	
Recording Secretary	JEANNETTE CHOLACH	X	

COUNTY MANAGER DAN SMALL – OPENING REMARKS

County Manager Dan Small welcomed Council to the meeting, and directed a few timely comments regarding the role of a Councillor, Pecuniary Interest, the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and the role that Administration plays.

SECRET BALLOT

Resolution 419-2008

Moved by Henry Zolkewski that a secret ballot be conducted as required to determine which nominee(s) will serve on the positions appointed to.

CARRIED

NOMINATION OF REEVE

General Government

County Manager Dan Small called for nominations for the position of Reeve.

Councillor Charles Newell nominated Councillor Henry Zolkewski.

County Manager Dan Small called for nominations one more time.

Councillor Wayne Crosswell nominated Councillor Kevin Grumetza.

County Manager Dan Small called for nominations two more times.

Resolution 420-2008

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that nominations cease.

CARRIED

Vicki Zinyk, Director of Gas and Utilities, collected and tallied the total of the votes of the secret ballot.

REEVE, HENRY ZOLKEWSKI

County Manager Dan Small declared Henry Zolkewski Reeve of the County of Thorhild No. 7.

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**EXCEPTION TO
SECTION 13,
PROCEDURE
BYLAW 1082-2007**

Resolution 421-2008

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council grant exception to Part I General Rules of Council, Section 13 of the County Procedure Bylaw 1082-2007 to allow the press to take photographs of the newly appointed officials.

CARRIED

County Manager Dan Small then administered the Oath of Office to Reeve Henry Zolkewski, after which time he signed his oath.

**DESTROY
SECRET
BALLOTS**

Resolution 422-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Administration destroy the secret ballots for the position of Reeve.

CARRIED

**NOMINATION OF
DEPUTY REEVE**

The Reeve called for nominations for Deputy Reeve.

Councillor Kevin Grumetza nominated Councillor Charles Newell.

The Reeve called for nominations one more time.

Councillor Cori Kuzyk nominated Councillor Wayne Crosswell.

Resolution 423-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that nominations cease.

CARRIED

Vicki Zinyk, Director of Gas and Utilities, collected and tallied the total of the votes of the secret ballot.

**DEPUTY REEVE,
CHARLES
NEWELL**

Reeve Henry Zolkewski declared Charles Newell as Deputy Reeve of the County of Thorhild.

County Manager Dan Small administered the Oath of Office to Deputy Reeve Charles Newell, after which time he signed his oath.

**DESTROY
SECRET
BALLOTS**

Resolution 424-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Administration destroy the secret ballots for position of Deputy Reeve.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
LIST OF
MEETINGS,
COURSES OR
EVENTS**

County Manager Dan Small advised Council that Administration has compiled an ongoing list of meetings, courses, and events that County Council and staff are approved to attend with no further approval of Council required, subject to budgetary considerations.

Resolution 425-2008

Moved by Councillor Charles Newell that the list of meetings, courses, and events be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**APPOINTMENT
OF AUDITOR**

Section 280(1) of the Municipal Government Act requires Council to appoint an auditor. Wilde and Company has been the County's auditor for several years. Administration recommends that their services be retained.

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**APPOINTMENT
OF AUDITOR**

Resolution 426-2008

Moved by Councillor Cori Kuzyk that County Council approve Wilde and Company, Chartered Accountants, as the County auditor for a three-year term.

CARRIED

**APPOINTMENT
OF FIRE
GUARDIANS**

County Manager Dan Small stated that County Councillors and the County Manager are automatically appointed as fire guardians under the Forest and Prairie Protection Act. Administration recommends that the Emergency Services Coordinator, the Agricultural Fieldman, and the Agriculture and Community Services Assistant also be appointed as Fire Guardians.

Councillor Cori Kuzyk raised the concept of the practice of Councillors in other municipalities not issuing fire permits. Discussion ensued.

Resolution 427-2008

Moved by Councillor Charles Newell that the Emergency Services Coordinator, the Agricultural Fieldman and the Agriculture and Community Services Assistant be appointed as Fire Guardians by Council.

CARRIED

**REVIEW AND
ADOPT POLICY
318 – SIGNING
AUTHORITIES**

County Manager Dan Small provided Council with an overview of Policy No. 318, which sets out the signing authorities for the County of Thorhild. This policy requires it be reviewed at every organizational meeting. "Director of Corporate Services" will replace the job position titled "Controller" in this document.

Resolution 428-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Council approve Policy 318, Signing Authorities, as amended.

CARRIED

Boards

**AGRICULTURE
SERVICE BOARD**

Resolution 429-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that all Council Members be appointed to serve on the Agriculture Service Board.

CARRIED

**AGRICULTURE
SERVICE BOARD
CHAIRMAN AND
VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Resolution 430-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that the Reeve, Henry Zolkewski, and Deputy Reeve Charles Newell be appointed as Agriculture Service Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively.

CARRIED

**FAMILY &
COMMUNITY
SUPPORT
SERVICES
BOARD**

Resolution 431-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that all Council Members be appointed to serve on the Family & Community Services Board.

CARRIED

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**FAMILY &
 COMMUNITY
 SUPPORT
 SERVICES
 BOARD
 CHAIRMAN AND
 VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Resolution 432-2008

Moved by Councillor Cori Kuzyk that Reeve Henry Zolkewski, and Deputy Reeve Charles Newell be appointed as Family & Community Support Services Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively.

CARRIED

**NEWTHORAD
 SENIORS'
 FOUNDATION**

The Reeve called for nominations for the appointment of three Councillors to the Newthorad Seniors' Foundation.

Reeve Henry Zolkewski nominated Councillor Kevin Grumetza.

Councillor Cori Kuzyk nominated Councillor Wayne Crosswell.

Councillor Cori Kuzyk nominated Deputy Reeve Charles Newell.

Reeve Henry Zolkewski called for nominations two more times.

Councillor Kevin Grumetza nominated Reeve Henry Zolkewski.

Resolution 433-2008

Moved by Councillor Cori Kuzyk that nominations cease.

CARRIED

County Manager Dan Small collected and tallied the total of the votes of the secret ballot.

**NEWTHORAD
 SENIORS'
 FOUNDATION**

County Manager Dan Small declared that Councillor Kevin Grumetza, Reeve Henry Zolkewski and Deputy Reeve Charles Newell be appointed to the NEWTHORAD Seniors' Foundation.

**DESTROY
 SECRET
 BALLOTS**

Resolution 434-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Administration destroy the secret ballots for the Newthorad Seniors' Foundation positions.

CARRIED

**APPOINTMENT -
 CLERK OF
 ASSESSMENT
 REVIEW BOARD**

Resolution 435-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Cheryl Pasay be appointed as the Clerk of the Assessment Review Board.

CARRIED

**ASSESSMENT
 REVIEW BOARD**

Resolution 436-2008

Moved by Deputy Reeve Charles Newell that all Council Members be appointed to serve on the Assessment Review Board.

CARRIED

**APPOINTMENT OF
 CHAIRMAN -
 ASSESSMENT
 REVIEW BOARD**

Chairman of the Assessment Review Board will be appointed at the time of the first sitting of the Assessment Review Board.

**DISASTER
 SERVICES
 AGENCY**

Resolution 437-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that all Council Members be appointed to serve on the Disaster Services Agency.

CARRIED

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**NORTHERN
LIGHTS LIBRARY
SYSTEM**

Resolution 438-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Councillor Wayne Crosswell be appointed to serve on the Northern Lights Library System.

CARRIED

**COUNTY OF
THORHILD
REGIONAL
LIBRARY BOARD**

The County of Thorhild Regional Library Board will hold their Organizational Meeting in November at which time divisional appointments will be announced.

Resolution 439-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Council approves the appointment of one representative per division and the Thorhild and District Municipal Library Board, as recommended by the County of Thorhild Regional Library Board.

CARRIED

**LONG LAKE SKI
AREA
ASSOCIATION**

Resolution 440-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Councillors Wayne Crosswell and Cori Kuzyk be appointed to serve on the Long Lake Ski Area Association Board.

CARRIED

GROWTH Alberta

Resolution 441-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillors Kevin Grumetza and Marketing and Tourism Coordinator Ray Sauer be appointed to GROWTH Alberta.

CARRIED

**NORTH CENTRAL
REGIONAL
PARTNERSHIP
INITIATIVE**

Resolution 442-2008

Moved by Deputy Reeve Charles Newell that all Council members be appointed to serve on the North Central Regional Partnership Initiative.

CARRIED

Commissions

**THORHILD
REGIONAL
WATER
SERVICES
COMMISSION**

County Manager Dan Small briefed Council on the status of the newly formed Highway 28/63 Regional Water Services Commission. He stated that it would be prudent to deal with the Thorhild Regional Water Services Commission at the regular Council Meeting to follow.

Resolution 443-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that the Thorhild Regional Water Services Commission item be deferred to the October 14, 2008 Regular Council Meeting to follow.

CARRIED

**MUNICIPAL
PLANNING
COMMISSION**

Resolution 444-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillors Cori Kuzyk, Kevin Grumetza, and Deputy Reeve Charles Newell be appointed to serve on the Municipal Planning Commission.

CARRIED

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**SUBDIVISION
AND
DEVELOPMENT
APPEAL BOARD**

Resolution 445-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Councillor Wayne Croswell and Reeve Henry Zolkewski be appointed to serve on the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board; and that the following Members at Large be appointed subject to their consent:

Members at Large for the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
 – Pat Olchowy, Graham Waterman and William Kowal

CARRIED

**THORHILD
REGIONAL
WASTE
MANAGEMENT
SERVICES**

The Reeve called for nominations for the appointment of three Councillors to the Thorhild Regional Waste Management Services Commission.

Councillor Wayne Croswell nominated Reeve Henry Zolkewski.

Councillor Cori Kuzyk nominated Deputy Reeve Charles Newell

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Deputy Reeve Charles Newell nominated Councillor Kevin Grumetza.

Reeve Henry Zolkewski nominated Councillor Kevin Grumetza.

Reeve Henry Zolkewski called for nominations two more times.

Resolution 446-2008

Moved by Councillor Cori Kuzyk that nominations cease.

CARRIED

County Manager Dan Small collected and tallied the total of the votes of the secret ballot.

County Manager Dan Small declared that Councillor Kevin Grumetza, Reeve Henry Zolkewski and Deputy Reeve Charles Newell be appointed to the Thorhild Regional Waste Management Services Commission.

Resolution 447-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillors Cori Kuzyk and Wayne Croswell be appointed to serve as alternates on the Thorhild Regional Waste Management Services Commission.

CARRIED

**DESTROY
SECRET
BALLOTS**

Resolution 448-2008

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Administration destroy the secret ballots for the Thorhild Regional Waste Management Services Commission positions.

CARRIED

Other

**RADWAY SEED
CLEANING PLANT
COOPERATIVE
LTD.**

Resolution 449-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Deputy Reeve Charles Newell and Councillor Kevin Grumetza be appointed to serve on the Radway Seed Cleaning Plant Cooperative Ltd. Board.

CARRIED

**WEED ACT
APPEAL
COMMITTEE**

County Manager Dan Small defined the function of the Weed Act Appeal Committee.

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**WEED ACT
 APPEAL
 COMMITTEE**

Resolution 450-2008

Moved by Deputy Reeve Charles Newell that Administration confirm participation by the current appointees of the Weed Act Appeal Committee.
 CARRIED

**COMMUNITY
 ADULT
 LEARNING
 INTERAGENCY
 BOARD**

Resolution 451-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillors Wayne Croswell and Kevin Grumetza be appointed to serve on the Community Adult Learning Interagency Board.

CARRIED

Resolution 452-2008

**NEWBROOK
 OBSERVATORY**

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillors Wayne Croswell and Cori Kuzyk be appointed to serve on the Newbrook Observatory Board.

CARRIED

Resolution 453-2008

**REGIONAL POLICING
 ADVISORY
 COMMITTEE –
 REDWATER**

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Reeve Henry Zolkewski be appointed to the Regional Policing Advisory Committee, Redwater area.

CARRIED

Resolution 454-2008

**REGIONAL POLICING
 ADVISORY
 COMMITTEE –
 BOYLE**

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Councillor Wayne Croswell be appointed to the Regional Policing Advisory Committee, Boyle area.

CARRIED

Resolution 455-2008

**RURAL CRIME
 WATCH
 ASSOCIATIONS –
 BOYLE &
 REDWATER**

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillor Wayne Croswell be appointed to serve on the Boyle Rural Crime Watch Association, and Councillor Kevin Grumetza with the Redwater Rural Crime Watch Association.

CARRIED

Resolution 456-2008

**HEALTH ACTION
 COMMITTEE
 (AMBULANCE,
 DOCTOR, ASPEN
 HEALTH AUTHORITY)**

Moved by Councillor Kevin Grumetza that Deputy Reeve Charles Newell, Reeve Henry Zolkewski, and Councillor Kevin Grumetza be appointed to serve on the Health Action Committee.

CARRIED

Resolution 457-2008

**THORHILD &
 NEWBROOK
 CHAMBERS OF
 COMMERCE**

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillors Wayne Croswell and Cori Kuzyk alternate as representatives on the Newbrook Chamber of Commerce; and that Reeve Henry Zolkewski, Deputy Reeve Charles Newell and Councillor Kevin Grumetza alternate as representatives on the Thorhild Chamber of Commerce.

CARRIED

Resolution 458-2008

**COMMUNITY
 FUTURES
 TAWATINAW
 REGION**

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillor Kevin Grumetza be appointed to serve on the Community Futures Tawatinaw Region Board.

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**NORTH
SASKATCHEWAN
WATERSHED
ALLIANCE and
ASPEN REGIONAL
WATER SERVICES
COMMISSION**

Resolution 459-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Deputy Reeve Charles Newell be appointed to serve on the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance, and that Councillor Wayne Croswell be appointed to serve on the Aspen Regional Water Services Commission.

CARRIED

KALYNA COUNTRY

Resolution 460-2008

Moved by Reeve Henry Zolkewski that Councillor Cori Kuzyk and Marketing and Tourism Coordinator Ray Sauer be appointed to serve on the Kalyna Country Board.

CARRIED

**WEED ACT
APPEAL
COMMITTEE**

County Manager Dan Small provided Council with confirmation of the current Weed Act Appeal Committee members as follows:

Clarence Paly, Darwin Trenholm, and Maurice Kruk

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 461-2008

Moved by Henry Zolkewski that the meeting adjourn at 10:55 a.m.

CARRIED

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