

COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7  
COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2010 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

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## Call to Order

Reeve Charles Newell called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

The following were in attendance during the course of the meeting on this date:

DIVISION	NAME	A.M.	P.M.
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>			

1	CHARLES NEWELL	X	X
2	KEVIN GRUMETZA	X	X
3	Vacant		
4	CORI KUZYK	X	X
5	WAYNE CROSWELL	X	X
6	SHELLY HANASYK	X	X
County Manager	DAN SMALL	X	X
Director of Corporate Services	JANELLE CORNELIUS	X	X
Recording Secretary	JEANNETTE CHOLACH	X	X

## Public Hearing(s)

There were no public hearings scheduled for this meeting.

Adoption of  
AgendaResolution 1-2010

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the Agenda for the Council Meeting of January 12, 2010, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Adoption of  
Minutes

December 16 & 17,  
2009 Special  
Council Meeting  
and December 22,  
2009 Regular  
Council Meeting

Resolution 2-2010

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of December 16 and 17, 2009, and the minutes of the December 22, 2009, Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Administrative  
Reports

County Manager's  
Report

County Manager Dan Small presented his report and reported on the following matters:

- 2010 Budget
- Tenders Update
- Proposed Electoral Boundary Bylaw 1129-2009
- Highway 63 Functional Study Consultation
- Municipal Affairs Grant Consultation
- 28/63 Water Commission Update
- County of Athabasca and Westlock Joint Council Meetings
- Access Pipeline Assessment Appeal – Municipal Government Board

Administrative  
Reports

Adoption of County  
Manager's Report

Resolution 3-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that the County Manager's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7 JANUARY 12, 2010Planning and  
Development  
Report

Cheryl Pasay, Manager of Land Use and Taxes, reported on the following matters:

- Assessment and Taxation Update
- Assessment Review Boards
- Inspection Permits
- TIPP(Tax Installment Payment Plan)
- Access Pipeline Assessment Appeal
- Upcoming meetings

Adoption of  
Planning and  
Development  
ReportResolution 4-2010

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the Planning and Development Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

## Recess

Reeve Charles Newell called for a recess at 10:00 a.m.

## Reconvene

Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 10:03 a.m. with Shell Canada Energy representatives Rob Seeley, General Manager, Sustainable Development; Paul Hagel, Canada West GR Advisor, Government Communication Affairs; Jennifer Downs, Scotford Community Relations representative, in attendance.

Delegation:

Rob Seeley, Shell  
Canada Energy –  
Shell's Quest  
Carbon Capture  
Storage Project

Rob Seeley, Shell Canada Energy General Manager, Sustainable Development, presented Council with a power point presentation pertaining to the proposed carbon capture and storage project (Scotford Project) which is now reaching into the County of Thorhild.

Councillor Cori Kuzyk declared a conflict of interest as he is employed by Shell Canada and stated that he would not be participating in discussions pertaining to this matter.

Mr. Seely provided timelines of the various stages of the project and the consultation process for the proposed operation. A question and answer period ensued.

The Shell Canada Energy delegation representatives Rob Seeley, General Manager, Sustainable Development; Paul Hagel, Canada West GR Advisor, Government Communication Affairs; Jennifer Downs, Scotford Community Relations representative, left the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Delegation:

Leo VanBrabant,  
MCS Net re:  
Current Status of  
Service

Leo VanBrabant, President of MCSNet, joined the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

County Manager Dan Small presented an overview of internet service within the County of Thorhild.

Leo VanBrabant, President of MCSNet, provided Council members with the status and history of internet service that his company provides.

Mr. VanBrabant stated that he would entertain placing more towers within the County of Thorhild as he is prepared to target certain areas to maximize the service area. He is prepared to erect a tower for 20 users. Maps were distributed to Council depicting the areas within the County that he is not able to service at the present time due to terrain issues (many trees and no hills) as well as topographical areas.

MCSNet currently provides service to 327 customers in the County of Thorhild. Partnering to find suitable sites for new towers i.e. current power and water sites is an alternative.

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Reeve Charles Newell stated that Administration would contact Mr. VanBrabant in the near future with respect to this matter.

Leo VanBrabant, President of MCSNet, left Council Chambers at 11:53 a.m.

Delegation:

Sgt. Jennifer Jackson, Redwater RCMP

Sgt. Jennifer Jackson and Constable Mike Dillion with the Redwater RCMP Detachment joined the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Detachment re: Quarterly Report

Sgt. Jennifer Jackson presented Council with details of the Redwater RCMP Detachment's quarterly crime report for the period of October 1 – December 31, 2009.

Recess

Reeve Charles Newell called for a recess at 12:03 p.m.

Reconvene

Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Unfinished Business

There was no information presented with respect to the Unfinished Business section for this meeting.

Correspondence -

Email of January 6, 2010 - Betty

Kolewaski, Chair of Concerned Citizens of Thorhild County Society

Resolution 5-2010

Moved by Charles Newell that the January 6, 2010 email from Betty Kolewaski, Chair of the Concerned Citizens of Thorhild County Society, be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Alberta Surface Rights Federation Annual Meeting Notice

Resolution 6-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that the Alberta Surface Rights Federation Annual Meeting notice for Monday, February 28, 2010 in Camrose, Alberta be deferred to the January 22, 2010 Council Meeting for decision making as to appointment of a staff member to attend due to a conflict with another Council event.

CARRIED

AUMA Mayors' Caucus Meeting, February 10, 2010

Resolution 7-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that Reeve Charles Newell be authorized to attend the AUMA Mayors' Caucus Meeting to be held Wednesday, February 10, 2010.

CARRIED

Committee Reports

There was no information presented with respect to the Committee Reports section for this meeting.

Bylaws

Bylaw 1130-2010, 2010 Borrowing Bylaw – First Reading

Resolution 8-2010

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Bylaw 1130-2010 being the 2010 Borrowing Bylaw be given first reading.

CARRIED

Second Reading

Resolution 9-2010

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Bylaw 1130-2010 be given second reading.

CARRIED

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Bylaw 1130-2010,  
– 2010 Borrowing  
Bylaw -  
Presentation for  
Third Reading

Resolution 10-2010  
Moved by Wayne Crosswell that third reading of Bylaw 1130-2010 be given.  
  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Third Reading

Resolution 11-2010  
Moved by Charles Newell that Bylaw 1130-2010 be given third reading.  
  
CARRIED

Notice of Motion No notice of motions were brought forward at this Council Meeting.

New Business  
Internet Service

County Manager Dan Small summarized the history of obtaining internet service in the County proceeding up to the current status of service as provided by Mr. VanBrabant of MCSNet. Administration is to catalogue a list of all interested individuals situated in areas currently not receiving internet service. This would enable MCSNet to determine the feasibility of erecting more towers within the County of Thorhild.

No resolution of Council was made pertaining to this matter.

2010 FCM  
Conference &  
Municipal Expo,  
May 28 – 31, 2010

Resolution 12-2010  
Moved by Cori Kuzyk that Councillors Kevin Grumetza and Shelly Hanasyk be appointed to attend the 2010 FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) Conference and Municipal Expo to be held May 28 – 31, 2010 in Toronto, Ontario.  
  
CARRIED

Proposed AAMDC  
Resolutions

Resolution 13-2010  
Moved by Charles Newell that Council agrees to resubmit the following two resolutions through the AAMDC resolution specifically referencing the need for small neighboring communities:

1. That the province relax the interbasin statutes, rules and regulations for regional waterlines pertaining to treated water within Alberta.
2. That the Surface Rights Board resolve disputes with landowners with respect to compensation for regional water and sewer lines in the same manner as oil and gas pipelines.

CARRIED

Opal Road Overlay  
Tender Results

County Manager Dan Small provided Council with the outcome of the Opal Road Overlay Tender process.

Resolution 14-2010  
Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council receives the Opal Road Overlay Tender results as information.  
  
CARRIED

Council Members'  
Reports  
Reeve Charles  
Newell,  
Councillor –  
Division 1

Reeve Charles Newell attended the following:

- Various Christmas parties
- Budget – several meetings
- Water Commission meetings

COUNCIL MEETING COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7 JANUARY 12, 2010Council Members' Reports

Kevin Grumetza,  
Councillor,  
Division 2

Councillor Kevin Grumetza attended the following:

- Regular Council Meetings in December
- Budget Meeting – December 16 and 17, 2009
- December Lodge Board Meeting

Wayne Croswell,  
Councillor –  
Division 5

Councillor Wayne Croswell reported that he attended the Regular Council and Budget meetings held in December.

Cori Kuzyk,  
Councillor,  
Division 4

Councillor Cori Kuzyk reported that he attended the same Council and Budget meetings held in December as did the other Council members.

Shelly Hanasyk,  
Councillor,  
Division 6

Councillor Shelly Hanasyk reported that she attended the Regular December Council and Budget meetings as well as Water Commission meetings.

Resolution 15-2010

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the Councillors' reports be received as information.

CARRIED

Recess -  
Honourable Jeff  
Johnson  
Presentation – 100  
Year Farm Family  
Recognition –  
Russell Dmytryk  
Family

Reeve Charles Newell called for a recess at 1:40 p.m.

Reconvene

Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 2:48 p.m.

Requisitions

There was no information presented with respect to the requisitions section of this meeting.

Confidential Item:  
Personnel Item –  
Hiring Policy 501

Resolution 16-2010

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council go in camera to discuss a personnel matter relating to Hiring Policy 501 at 2:50 p.m.

CARRIED

Resolution 17-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that the meeting return to open meeting at 3:28 p.m.

CARRIED

Resolution 18-2010

Hiring Policy 501

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Administration review Hiring Policy 501 at the January 22, 2010 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

Adjournment

Being that the agenda matters were concluded, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.