

COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7
COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2010 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT
THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Call to Order

Reeve Charles Newell called the meeting to order at 9:28 a.m. with Cheryl Pasay, Director of Planning and Taxation, in attendance.

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

DIVISION NAME A.M. P.M.
ATTENDANCE

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
Gas & Utilities Director	JOYCE PIERCE		X
Manager of Land Use and Taxes	CHERYL PASAY	X	X
Public Works Director	RICK NIETUPSKI	X	
Recording Secretary	ANGELA BILSKI	X	X

Public Hearing(s)

There were no Public Hearings scheduled for this meeting.

Adoption of Agenda

Resolution 78-2010

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that the Agenda for the Council Meeting of March 9 be adopted with the following amendment:
That item F.c) by moved to in camera portion under item O.d).

CARRIED

Adoption of Regular Council Minutes – February 23, 2010

Resolution 79-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that the Minutes for the Council Meeting of February 23, 2010 be adopted with the following amendment: From Page 21 that “Councillor Wayne Crosswell stated that he understood that the County could stop the process or appeal the development” be amended to “Councillor Wayne Crosswell stated that from his communication with SRD that he understood that the County had the option to refuse the development permit.”

CARRIED

Adoption of Special Council Minutes – March 3, 2010

Resolution 80-2010

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the Minutes for the Special Council Meeting of March 3, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Administrative Reports
County Manager’s Report

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

- Regional Water Issues
- Heavy Vehicle Bylaw
- Bill 9 – residency requirement & disclosure of campaign contributions
- Thorhild Swimming Pool Update – CAMRIF grant extension

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Adoption of County Manager's Report	<p><u>Resolution 81-2010</u> Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the County Manager's Report be adopted as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
Planning and Development Report	<p>Cheryl Pasay, Manager of Land Use and Taxes, reported on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2009 Assessments for 2010 • LARB/CARB bylaw for Sturgeon County • Alberta Environment Presentation on Feb. 26 • GROWTH Strategic Meeting • Highway 63 AMEC Functional Study Meeting – discussed twinning of highway from two miles north of Abee to north of Boyle • Upcoming Events and Meetings
Adoption of Planning and Development Report	<p><u>Resolution 82-2010</u></p> <p>Moved by Cori Kuzyk that the Planning and Development Report be adopted with the following amendment: Councillor Newell attended the GROWTH Strategic Meeting instead of Councillor Croswell.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<u>Delegation:</u> Dave Bartesko, Land Use Secretariat, SRD	<p>Dave Bartesko, Land Use Secretariat, SRD, joined the meeting at 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Reeve Charles Newell welcomed Mr. Bartesko to the meeting. Mr. Bartesko provided information on the Land Use Framework and examples of documents that were developed for the Lower Athabasca Region. The County of Thorhild is in the North Saskatchewan Region which will be the third region to develop its plan. He encouraged Council to participate in this planning process as there will be a call for representatives to make up the Advisory Council for this region late in 2010 or early in 2011. He also encouraged the County to collaborate with other municipalities of similar size and interest.</p> <p>A question and answer session ensued. Reeve Newell thanked Mr. Bartesko for his presence at the meeting. Mr. Bartesko and Cheryl Pasay left the meeting at 10:48 a.m.</p>
Recess	Reeve Charles Newell declared the meeting in recess at 10:48 a.m.
Reconvene	Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 10:55 a.m.
<u>Unfinished Business</u> Policy 1403 - Community Support	<p><u>Resolution 83-2010</u></p> <p>Moved by Cori Kuzyk that Policy 1403 – Community Support be adopted as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<u>Correspondence</u> Enbridge Status Update	<p><u>Resolution 84-2010</u></p> <p>Moved by Kevin Grumetza that correspondence from Enbridge regarding the Status Update of the Fort Hills Pipeline Project be accepted as information.</p>
<u>Committee Reports, By-Laws, and Notice of Motion</u>	<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>There was no information presented with respect to Committee Reports, By-Laws or Notice of Motion sections for this meeting.</p>

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Direction on 2010
Election Bylaws
and Resolutions

County Manager Dan Small presented a summary of issues to consider for the 2010 Municipal Election and recommended that Council provide administration some direction on decisions that need to be made before certain deadlines pass. A discussion of these issues ensued.

Resolution 85-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that administration be directed to develop an election bylaw based on the options chosen during Council discussions.

New Business

Reschedule April
13 meeting

Resolution 86-2010

Moved by Wayne Croswell that Council approve the rescheduling of the April 13, 2010 Council Meeting to Wednesday, April 14, 2010 due to a conflict in dates with the Community Planning Conference.

CARRIED

CARRIED

Agenda items for
March 12 meeting

Resolution 87-2010

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that agenda items for the Council Meeting on March 19, 2010 be submitted by Friday, March 12, 2010.

New Business

Proposed Office
Closure on April
15

Resolution 88-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that Council assents to all County offices and shops being closed from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on April 15, 2010 to allow all staff members to attend an OH & S meeting.

CARRIED

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New Business

Proposed New
Invoice Appeal
Policy

Resolution 89-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that the Invoice Appeal Policy be accepted with the exclusion of the \$25 refundable fee.

CARRIED

New Business

Dust Control
Prices

Public Works Director Rick Nietupski joined the meeting at 11:30 a.m. and reported on quotes on dust control products from four different suppliers.

Resolution 90-2010

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the rates for dust control application be adopted as recommended.

CARRIED

New Business

Dust Control
Maintenance
Policy

Resolution 91-2010

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Policy 935 – Dust Control 3 Year Maintenance Program be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Recess

Reeve Charles Newell declared the meeting in recess at 11:56 a.m.

Reconvene

Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 12:45 p.m. with the absence of County Manager, Dan Small.

New Business

GROWTH Alberta
Business
Excellence Awards

Resolution 92-2010

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that the nomination form for the GROWTH Alberta Business Excellence Awards be accepted as information.

CARRIED

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Shelly Hanasyk,
Councillor,
Division 6

Councillor Shelly Hanasyk attended and reported on the following:

- Emerging Trends Seminar – February 11, 2010
- Emergency Operations Center Training – February 16, 2010
- Regular Council Meeting – February 23, 2010
- Meeting with Minister of Seniors and Community Supports, the Honourable Mary Anne Jablonski and Jeff Johnson regarding funding for NEWTHORAD Seniors' Housing – February 24, 2010
- Highway 28/63 Water Commission meeting – March 2, 2010
- Special Council Meeting – March 3, 2010
- GROWTH Alberta Strategic Meeting – March 4, 2010
- FOTSPA Fundraising Poker Tournament – March 6, 2010

Wayne Croswell,
Councillor –
Division 5

Councillor Wayne Croswell attended and reported on the following:

- Library Board Meeting to discuss technology plan – February 17, 2010
- Regular Council Meeting – February 23, 2010
- Presentation by Alberta Environment – February 26, 2010
- Long Lake Cabin Owners Association Executive Meeting – February 17, 2010
- Special Council Meeting – March 3, 2010
- Northern Lights Library Board Meeting – March 6, 2010

Cori Kuzyk,
Councillor –
Division 4

Councillor Cori Kuzyk attended and reported on the following:

- Regular Council Meeting – February 23, 2010
- Presentation by Alberta Environment – February 26, 2010

Kevin Grumetza,
Councillor –
Division 2

Councillor Kevin Grumetza attended and reported on the following:

- Emerging Trends Seminar – February 11, 2010
- Assessment Training in Calgary – February 18 & 19, 2010
- Regular Council Meeting – February 23, 2010
- Half Moon Lake Community Hall AGM – February 24, 2010
- Harold Hamilton's Farewell Luncheon – February 25, 2010
- Presentation by Alberta Environment – February 26, 2010
- Special Council Meeting – March 3, 2010
- Community Futures Meeting – March 3, 2010
- GROWTH Alberta Strategy Meeting – March 4, 2010
- NEWTHORAD Meeting – March 8, 2010

Reeve Charles
Newell,
Councillor,
Division 1

Reeve Charles Newell attended and reported on the following:

- AUMA Mayor's Caucus – February 10, 2010
- Emergency Operations Center Training – February 16, 2010
- Breakfast hosted by Mayor Rigney of Sturgeon County – February 17, 2010
- Assessment Review Training – February 18 & 19, 2010
- Highway 63 Technical Review – February 22, 2010
- Meeting with Minister of Seniors and Community Supports, the Honourable Mary Anne Jablonski and Jeff Johnson regarding funding for NEWTHORAD Seniors' Housing – February 24, 2010
- Presentation by Alberta Environment – February 26, 2010
- Meeting with Jeff Johnson, Deputy Minister John Knapp, and local area producers to discuss agricultural related issues – March 4, 2010

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Resolution 93-2010

Moved by Wayne Crosswell that the Councillors' reports be received as information.

CARRIED

Requisitions

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

Confidential Items:
Long Lake Block
Wells, Gravel
Extraction on
Crown Land, CAO
Performance
Review

Derek King, Brownlee LLP, Joyce Pierce, Director of Utilities and Dan Small, County Manager joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Resolution 94-2010

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council go in camera at 1:00 p.m. to discuss the legal advice regarding the Long Lake Block Water Wells, Gravel Extraction on Crown Land, and CAO Performance Review.

CARRIED

Derek King & Joyce Pierce left the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

Cheryl Pasay, Manager of Land Use & Taxes rejoined the meeting at 3:30 p.m. to discuss the legal opinion on gravel extraction on Crown Land near Long Lake.

Cheryl Pasay left the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

Angela Bilski left the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Resolution 95-2010

Moved by Wayne Crosswell that Council return to open meeting at 4:17 p.m.

CARRIED

Resolution 96-2010

Moved by Wayne Crosswell that administration and Council consult with the Long Lake Cabin Owners' Association Executive on options for Block Water Well operation.

CARRIED

Resolution 97-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that Council accept the legal opinion on gravel extraction on Crown Land near Long Lake as information.

CARRIED

Resolution 98-2010

Moved by Cori Kuzyk that County Council adopt the performance evaluation form for the position of CAO and to use it as the basis of the CAO's performance review.

CARRIED

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Adjournment

Being that the agenda matters were concluded, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.