

COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7
COUNCIL MEETINGMINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2011 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Present	Charles Newell Kevin Grumetza Shelly Hanasyk John Olson Wayne Croswell	Reeve Deputy Reeve Councillor Councillor Councillor
Administration	William (Bill) Kostiw Cheryl Pasay Janelle Cornelius Cindy Olchoway Joyce Pierce Rick Nietupski Laurie Andrushchyshyn Angela Bilski	Interim County Manager Director of Land Use & Planning Director of Corporate Services Director of Agriculture, Emergency, & Community Services Director of Utilities Director of Public Works Payroll & Personnel Manager Executive Assistant
Call to Order	Reeve Charles Newell called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.	
Additions to the Agenda	<u>Resolution 427-2011</u> Moved by Wayne Croswell that the following items be added to the agenda: Under Item 11a)i) Transfer Station Tender Section 11 – Public Works be moved up in the agenda after Adoption of Minutes.	
	CARRIED	
Adoption of Agenda	<u>Resolution 428-2011</u> Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that the Agenda for the Council Meeting of August 9, 2011 be adopted with the following amendments: Under Item 11a)i) Transfer Station Tender Section 11 – Public Works be moved up in the agenda after Adoption of Minutes.	
	CARRIED	
<u>Adoption of Minutes</u> July 26, 2011 Regular Council Meeting	<u>Resolution 429-2011</u> Moved by Kevin Grumetza n that the minutes of July 26, 2011 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as circulated.	
	CARRIED	
Public Works Director's Report	Rick Nietupski, Director of Public Works, reported on issues pertaining to the Public Works Department.	
Adoption of Report	<u>Resolution 430-2011</u> Moved by Wayne Croswell that the Public Works Director's report be accepted as presented.	
	CARRIED	

Public Works -
Business Arising
from Minutes/New
Business –

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

Correspondence
Items –
Letter from Robert
Strand

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw reviewed the letter received from Robert Strand.

Resolution 431-2011

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council receives the letter from Robert Strand as information.

CARRIED

Rick Nietupski, Director of Public Works, left the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

Administration –
County Manager
Report

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw reported to Council on the following:

Adoption of
County Manager's
Report

Resolution 432-2011

Moved by John Olson that the County Manager's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Laurie Andrushchyshyn, Payroll and Personnel Manager, joined the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Action Item Report

Resolution 433-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the Action Item Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Administration –
Thorhild Regional
Water Services
Commission
Report

Joyce Pierce, Director of Gas and Utilities, presented a verbal report on the Thorhild Regional Water Services Commission regarding the three contracts that are underway.

Resolution 434-2011

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council receives the Thorhild Regional Water Services Commission Report as information.

CARRIED

Administration –
Thorhild Regional
Waste
Management
Services
Commission
Discussion

Interim County Manager, Wm Bill Kostiw, provided a verbal overview of the Thorhild Regional Waste Management Services Commission.

Resolution 435-2011

Moved by John Olson that Council accepts the overview of the Thorhild Regional Waste Management Services Commission as information.

CARRIED

Administration –
Financial Report

Janelle Cornelius, Director of Corporate Services, presented the mid-term financial report for the first half of 2011.

Resolution 436-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council accepts the 2011 Mid-Year Financial Report as presented.

CARRIED

Administration –
Strategic Planning
Session Agenda

Interim County Manager, Wm Bill Kostiw presented the agenda for the upcoming Strategic Planning session.

Resolution 437-2011

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council accepts the Strategic Planning Session Agenda for August 10 & 11, 2011 as information.

CARRIED

Administration –
Compensation
Review

Laurie Andrushchyshyn, Payroll & Personnel Manager, presented options for reducing current wage disparity.

Resolution 438-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council authorizes Administration to increase the Hourly Grid to compensate some current wage disparity and refer other adjustments to the 2012 budget.

CARRIED

Administration –
Fun Train
Proposal

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw reviewed a proposal submitted regarding economic development.

Resolution 439-2011

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council accepts the Fun Train proposal as information and directs Administration to write a thank you letter for the proposal.

CARRIED

Administration –
Engineering
Representation for
WM project.

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw reviewed the need for a bona fide engineering consultant for the Waste Management project.

Resolution 440-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council tables the review of the received proposals for engineering consulting services for the Waste Management project to an in camera session later in the meeting.

CARRIED

Administration –
Vanguard Realty
Update

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw presented an update on the Vanguard Realty development in the Hamlet of Thorhild.

Resolution 441-2011

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council directs Administration to proceed with the final engineered construction drawings for the Vanguard Realty development.

CARRIED

Administration –
Speed Skating
Proposal

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw reviewed the proposal for an outdoor speed skating oval as submitted by Mr. Kevin Wakeford.

Resolution 442-2011

Moved by Wayne Crosswell that Council receives the outdoor speed skating proposal as information and directs Administration to write a thank you letter to Mr. Wakeford that also refers him to approach local community groups with his idea.

CARRIED

Administration –
Library Building
Update

Laurie Andrushchyshyn presented an update on recent repairs to the Thorhild Library Building.

Resolution 443-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council accepts the Library Building Update as presented.

CARRIED

Administration –
Thorhild Library
Open House

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw presented an invitation to the Thorhild Library's Open House on August 24, 2011.

Resolution 444-2011

Moved by Wayne Crosswell that Council authorizes all Council members to attend the Thorhild Library's Open House on August 24, 2011 and authorizes the Reeve and local councillor to make presentations on behalf of Council.

CARRIED

Administration –
Canadian
Diabetes and
Industry Golf
Tournament

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw presented an invitation to the Canadian Diabetes and Industry Golf Tournament on Sept. 15, 2011.

Resolution 445-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council authorizes all Council members and 2 staff members to attend the Canadian Diabetes and Industry Golf Tournament on Sept. 15, 2011 on behalf of the County of Thorhild.

CARRIED

Administration –
Supplemental
Information

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw provided supplemental information to be dealt with during the course of the agenda.

Planning and
Development
Director's Report

Cheryl Pasay, Director of Land Use & Planning, reported on the following:

- Assessment
- Taxes – 2011 Public Auction
- Appeals
- Upcoming events

Adoption of
Planning and
Development
Report

Resolution 446-2011

Moved by John Olson that the Planning and Development Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Recess

Reeve Charles Newell declared a recess at 11:18 a.m.

- Reconvene Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 11:23 a.m.
- Gas & Utilities
Business Arising
from Minutes/New
Business –
Write off of Invoice
4578 – Opal
Sewer Issue
- Joyce Pierce, Director of Gas and Utilities, requested Invoice 4578 be written off.
- Resolution 447-2011
- Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council go in camera at 11:25 a.m. to discuss the issue of writing off Invoice 4578.
- CARRIED
- Resolution 448-2011
- Moved by Wayne Croswell that Council comes out of camera at 11:56 a.m.
- CARRIED
- Resolution 449-2011
- Moved by John Olson that Invoice #4578 to Inspections Group in the amount of \$1405.62 be written off.
- CARRIED
- Resolution 450-2011
- Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council directs Administration to develop a formal policy addressing write offs of invoices.
- CARRIED
- Recess
- Reeve Charles Newell declared a recess at 12:00 p.m.
- Reconvene
- Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 12:45 p.m.
- Gas & Utilities
Business Arising
from Minutes/New
Business –
Tie in to Block 12
Well at Long Lake
- Joyce Pierce, Director of Gas and Utilities, presented a request from Mr. Rinas to reconnect to the block 12 well at Long Lake Hamlet.
- Resolution 451-2011
- Moved by Wayne Croswell that Council grants permission for Mr. Rinas to reconnect to the block 12 well at Long Lake Hamlet.
- CARRIED
- Correspondence
Items –
- There was no information presented with respect to the Correspondence section for this meeting.
- Gas and Utilities
Director's Report
- Joyce Pierce, Gas and Utilities Director, presented a report on issues associated with the Gas and Water & Sewer Divisions of the department.
- Adoption of Report Resolution 452-2011
- Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that the Gas and Utilities Director's Report be accepted as presented.
- CARRIED

Agriculture and
Community
Services

Business Arising
from Minutes/New
Business –
Federal/Provincial
Granted Projects
Recognition

Cindy Olchow, Director of Agriculture, Emergency, and Community Services, presented a recommendation to coordinate an open house to recognize the Newbrook Fire Hall Expansion project and new pumper.

Resolution 453-2011

Moved by Wayne Crosswell that Council approves the coordination of a Community Open House for the Newbrook Fire Hall and Newbrook Reservoir at an approximate cost of \$500 and directs Administration to formally thank the appropriate ministries for their contribution to the Opal Road Overly and Correction Line Road Upgrade.

CARRIED

Agriculture and
Community
Services

Business Arising
from Minutes/New
Business –
Namepi Kennedy
Creek Private
Crossings

Resolution 454-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council approves the professional services of AMEC Earth & Environmental for the 2011 Namepi Kennedy Creek Private Crossing Fisheries Habitat Assessment and crossing removal and replacement.

CARRIED

Agriculture and
Community
Services

Business Arising
from Minutes/New
Business –
Namepi Fish Pond
Name/Project
Development
Costs

Cindy Olchow, Director of Agriculture, Emergency, and Community Services, presented options for naming and development of the fish pond within the Hamlet of Radway.

Resolution 455-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council approves the relocation and development of the Radway Fish Pond, at a projected cost of \$26,939 and that the 2011 Budget be amended to include the extra costs.

CARRIED

Agriculture and
Community
Services

Business Arising
from Minutes/New
Business –
ASB Grant
Agreement

Cindy Olchow, Director of Agriculture, Emergency, and Community Services presented a recommendation for entering an agreement to support the Agricultural Service Board programs.

Resolution 456-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council enters into an agreement with the Province of Alberta, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to support the Agricultural Service Board programs for the period of 2011-13.

CARRIED

Correspondence
Items –

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

Agriculture &
Community
Services Director's
Report

Cindy Olchow, Director of Agriculture, Emergency & Community Services, reported to Council with respect to Agriculture, Emergency Services, and Family & Community Services.

Adoption of Report

Resolution 457-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the Agriculture, Emergency & Community Services Director's report be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

- Recess Reeve Charles Newell declared a recess at 10:56 a.m.
- Reconvene Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 11:04 a.m.
- Bylaws –
Bylaw 1145-2011
– Solid Waste
Collection Bylaw Resolution 458-2011
- Moved by Wayne Crowell that Schedule B of Bylaw 1145-2011 – Solid Waste Collection Bylaw be amended as follows:
“Warning for a first offence, \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) for a second offence, \$200.00 (two hundred dollars) for a third and subsequent offence.”
- CARRIED
- Bylaw 1145-2011
– Solid Waste
Collection Bylaw –
Second Reading Resolution 459-2011
- Moved by Wayne Crowell that Bylaw 1145-2011 receives second reading as amended.
- CARRIED
- Bylaw 1145-2011
– Solid Waste
Collection Bylaw –
Third Reading Resolution 460-2011
- Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Bylaw 1145-2011 receives third reading as amended.
- CARRIED
- Notices of Motion There were no Notices of Motion presented at this meeting.
- Other Business – There was no information presented for this section of the meeting.
- Other
Correspondence –
AUMA Convention Resolution 461-2011
- Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council receives the AUMA Convention as information.
- CARRIED
- Other
Correspondence –
Synergy Alberta
Conference Resolution 462-2011
- Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council authorizes any Council member to attend the Synergy Alberta Conference on October 24 & 26, 2011.
- CARRIED
- Other
Correspondence –
Alberta Children
and Youth
Services Resolution 463-2011
- Moved by Kevin Grumetza that the letter from Alberta Children and Youth Services be received as information.
- CARRIED
- Other
Correspondence –
Alberta Capital
Finance Authority Resolution 464-2011
- Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council receives the announcement from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority as information.
- CARRIED

Administration –
Engineering
Representation for
WM project.

Interim County Manager Wm Bill Kostiw presented the proposals for engineering consulting services for the Waste Management project.

Resolution 465-2011

Moved by Wayne Crosswell that Council approves Administration engage the firm of DCL Siemens to act as the engineering consultant for the Waste Management project.

CARRIED

Delegations –
Mr. Brent Bard

Reeve Charles Newell welcomed Mr. Bard to the meeting at 1:30 p.m. Mr. Bard expressed his concerns about current and future aggregate operations within the County of Thorhild and their impact upon residents. Mr. Bard requested that the County conducts a review of the current gravel operations that exist within its boundaries, how the infrastructure is being affected, and if there are adequate emergency service plans in place. Mr. Bard presented letters from three other residents expressing their concerns with the safety of Twp. Rd. 590 between RR 224 and RR 230

Mr. Bard left the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Resolution 466-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council directs Administration to present recommendations for improvements to the safety of local resource roads including Twp. Rd. 590 between RR 224 and RR 230 at a future meeting.

CARRIED

Requisitions

There were no requisitions presented at this meeting.

Recess

Reeve Charles Newell declared a recess at 2:28 p.m.

Reconvene

Reeve Charles Newell reconvened the meeting at 2:36 p.m.

Confidential Items-
Legal issues,
Personnel Issues

Resolution 467-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council go in camera at 2:37 p.m. to discuss fire invoices, 5th Avenue building, and personnel issues.

CARRIED

Resolution 468-2011

Moved by John Olson that Council comes out of camera at 3:13 p.m.

CARRIED

Resolution 469-2011

Moved by Shelly Hanasyk that Council directs Administration to take action with the outstanding fire invoices as discussed in camera.

CARRIED

Resolution 470-2011

Moved by Wayne Croswell that Council directs Administration to contact the potential buyers of the Thorhild Laundromat and discuss the relevant terms and conditions of its sale.

CARRIED

Resolution 471-2011

Moved by Kevin Grumetza that Council approves the payment arrangement for the outstanding taxes as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution 472-2011

Moved by that Council accepts the personnel items as information.

CARRIED

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

These minutes approved this _____ day of _____, 2011.

REEVE

COUNTY MANAGER