

**Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Council
Of the Town Of Castor
Held Monday, July 10, 2017
Council Chambers, Castor Town Hall
Castor, Alberta**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Garry DeVloo.

Councillors in Attendance:

Lonny Nelner, Tony Nichols, Rod Zinger, and Richard Elhard.

Absent:

Brenda Wismer, Travis Ryan

Also in Attendance:

Sandi Jackson – C.A.O.
Arjan Van Hienen – Foreman
Sargent Darcy McGunigal – RCMP
Constable Jordan Tourney - RCMP

Agenda:

144/17 MOTION: Councillor Nichols that the agenda be approved with additions.

CARRIED

Delegations/Interviews:

Sargent Darcy McGunigal and Constable Jordan Tourney entered the Council Chambers at 7:04pm.

Sargent Darcy McGunigal and Constable Jordan Tourney attended the meeting to update Council on activities during the past ¼.

Traffic safety – so far this ¼ they are on pace with just over 300 traffic tickets. They are seeking additional funding from Alberta Transportation to help with check stops. 3 impaired driving charges have been laid to date this ¼.

Property crime – Seen 25 break and enters this ¼ so far.

Drug enforcement – Pro active - so far 1 drug related charge has been laid – that is down from 3 last year. They will continue to be proactive; although that is proving to be very challenging.

Detachment update – Constable Trevor Voyer will be arriving very soon. Sargent McGunigal will be stepping away for a temporary leave. Constable Tourney will run the office while he is off.

Deputy Mayor Elhard discussed issues brought forward by some of our local businesses. These businesses have all lost products and had damage to their property. Deputy Mayor Elhard also asked about drug abuse in the Community.

Sargent McGunigal is working on bringing more police presence into the community.

Sargent Darcy McGunigal and Constable Jordan Tourney left the Council Chambers at 7:30pm.

Minutes: Council reviewed the minutes of the June 26, 2017 regular Meeting of Council.

145/17 MOTION: Councillor Elhard that the Minutes of the June 26, 2017 Regular meeting of Council be approved.

CARRIED

Accounts: The Lists of Accounts was presented to Council for payment.

Councillor Nelner declared an interest in account number 21832 Payable to That's My Specialty.

146/17 MOTION: Councillor Nelner that Account numbers 21789 to 21840 with the exception of account number 21832 to That's My Specialty be approved for payment and that the list of Accounts be marked Schedule "A" and attached to these minutes of Council.

CARRIED

147/17 MOTION: Councillor Elhard that Account number 21832 payable to That's My Specialty be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Councillor Nelner did not participate in any discussions concerning this account.

Cash Statement: Council was presented with the cash statement for the month ending June 30, 2017.

148/17 MOTION: Councillor Zinger that the cash statement for the month ending June 30, 2017 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

Culture & Tourism: Council received an announcement from the Minister of Culture and Tourism encouraging local organizations to submit nominations for the 2017 Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards.

Council will bring any suggestions to the C.A.O.

**Palliser Regional
Municipal Services:**

The proposed subdivision in the County of Paintearth No. 18 that was brought before Council in May for comments has been finally approved by Palliser Regional Municipal Services.
Submitted for Council's information.

Old Business:

Staff Position: The C.A.O. brought a request to Council to advertise for a staff that would combine part time arena work, Bylaw work and safety administration.

Bylaw 1050: Council was presented with the Animal Control Bylaw, Number 1050 for approval.

149/17 MOTION: Councillor Zinger that ByLaw 1050 be read a first time at this meeting of Council.

CARRIED

150/17 MOTION: Councillor Nichols that ByLaw 1050 be read a second time at this meeting of Council.

CARRIED

151/17 MOTION: Councillor Elhard that ByLaw 1050 be given a third reading at this meeting of Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

152/17 MOTION: Councillor Nelner that ByLaw 1050 be read a third time and finally passed at this meeting of Council.

CARRIED

New Business:

Arena Engineering: The Recreation Board is ready to proceed with plans for the arena renovations. Council was asked if it was necessary to hire an engineer to oversee the project and wanted clarification on the tender process.

153/17 MOTION: Councillor Zinger that the Recreation Board secure the services of an engineer for the arena project.

CARRIED

51st Street Improvements: Notes from the progress meeting of June 27, 2017 were presented to Council. Also presented to Council, for their information, was the list of change orders to the contract.

Picture options for the Canada 150 Project: Four picture options for the Canada 150 project were presented to Council. \$5,000.00 has been given to the Town from the Paintearth Economic Development Board to place historic pictures as a Canada 150 project. The C.A.O. has consulted with Parkview Funeral Chapels to have displays made using two pictures. Council voted on which two pictures they would like for the displays.

After considering the pictures, Council agreed that pictures numbers 1 and 2 be chosen.

Retaining wall:

Robert Hill is requesting permission to build a retaining wall along the walking path that runs below his property. This would eliminate the steep bank. He will absorb the cost.

154/17 MOTION: Councillor Elhard that Robert Hill be approved to construct a retaining wall along the pathway below his property at his cost.

CARRIED

Structural Report:

ISL completed the structural report for Andy's Café and presented the report to Council for approval.

155/17 MOTION: Councillor Nichols that the structural report completed by ISL Engineering for Andy's Café be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Councillor Nelner:

- Voiced his pleasure with the monthly newsletter. Billie Spady is the employee responsible for the monthly newsletter – Good Job!

Councillor Nichols:

- Attended an Ag Society meeting. Applications were received for scholarships; each qualified applicant will receive \$500.00.

Foreman:

- Lee Bagshaw is now on Town water.
- Netook is moving along with contract D. They are working on individual services this week. They are looking for clay to be used on the portion from 50th Avenue to 51st Avenue.
- Ruby Dale Paving is in Town putting down asphalt today. They will bring a small crew to do all our patch work. They should be finished by the end of the week.

C.A.O.:

- Reminder – next Council meeting is July 31.
- Attended teleconference meeting with the local coal advisory board responsible for the social and economic study.

Adjournment:

156/17 MOTION: Councilor Elhard that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER