

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE STAVELY TOWN COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, APRIL 9TH, 2018 AT THE STAVELY TOWN OFFICE.

PRESENT: Mayor Hall, Clrs. Whittingham, Norby, Martin, Varey, Binmore and Gugala. CAO Gillespie and Foreman Watson. Members of the public: Beth Hudson and Anny Moller

NOT PRESENT:

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda

CAO Gillespie noted the addition of a request from C.A.R.E.S. under new business and the Municipal Accountability Program under correspondence. After the additions Clr. Norby moved to adopt the agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Confirmation Of Minutes

Clr. Whittingham moved the minutes of the regular meeting of March 26, 2018 be approved as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

2018 Budget

CAO Gillespie presented a summarized form of the 2018 operating budget with changes as per discussions from the last meeting. CAO Gillespie also provided 3 different options that could be utilized and the corresponding mill rates that would apply. Discussion followed – the amount set to go into reserves and how this differs from previous years, the percentage increase in the mill rate and how assessments will impact the tax dollars paid. After further discussion and clarifications Clr. Norby moved to approve option number 1 as presented by CAO Gillespie for the 2018 operating budget –

Revenues = \$556,144.78
Expenditures = \$918,282.89
Amount to be collected from taxes = \$362,138.11
(a 1.46% increase over the amount collected in 2017)

MOTION CARRIED.

FCSS Board

CAO Gillespie provided council with a request from the FCSS Board to approve the appointment of Kim Gugala to the FCSS Board. Clr. Gugala noted he would abstain from voting. Clr. Binmore moved to approve the recommendation of the FCSS Board to have Kim Gugala appointed to the FCSS Board for a 1 year term. **MOTION CARRIED.**



Capital Budget CAO Gillespie presented a request for direction with regards to possible capital projects for 2018. The total available funding for capital projects was made known to council and discussion followed. Ideas that were discussed included a newer truck, sidewalk and road repairs, a generator for the water plant, equipment attachments, a continuation of the walking path and further town office renovations. Discussion continued on the water plant, locations of possible road and sidewalk repairs and possibility to do some tree trimming. After no further discussion Clr. Gugala moved to **TABLE** the capital budget discussion until estimates for some of the projects discussed are known. **MOTION CARRIED.**

C.A.R.E.S. A request for donation from the Claresholm Animal Rescue Society presented to council for consideration. Discussion – amount donated in 2017, amount already budgeted for and number of animals cared for in 2017. Clr. Martin moved the Town donate \$750 to the Claresholm Animal Rescue Society. **MOTION CARRIED.**

BYLAWS

REPORTS

Clr. Whittingham Reported on the recent FCSS meeting – director on sick leave and new board member. Also reported on the recent Golf Club AGM – a few new directors.

Clr. Norby Nothing to report.

Clr. Martin Reported that the Ag Society meeting had been postponed.

Foreman Reported on the lagoon – a handout was given to council regarding a proposal for treating the sludge and TSS issues that have not improved. Discussion followed – costs, time line, alternatives, feedback from other communities and possibility to utilize reserves. Foreman Watson advised that he will seek further feedback and alternatives and report back at the next meeting.



Clr. Varey Nothing to report.

Clr. Binmore Reported on the Golden Age Center, PHL, the Emergency Management seminar and a quick update on the webpage – concerns relating to the business directory.

Clr. Gugala Reported on the recent Alberta SW meeting – noted the upcoming AGM in June and reported on the recent Oddfellows oyster feed that was a success.

CAO Reported that the financial audit is complete and auditor will attend an upcoming meeting, ORRSC planner will be attending the next meeting to discuss cannabis, the asset

management workshop, update from the engineer on the industrial land, STEP Student funding has been approved, a \$25,000 grant received to complete a Municipal Development Plan, MGA changes that took effect April 1, 2018 and a revised southern Alberta municipal rate survey – Stavelly is very affordable.

Mayor Hall Reported on the arena – ice is out and dirt is in and reported on the community hall – renovations will be starting later this week.

CORRESPONDENCE

Digital Futures Information and invite for council for the Digital Futures Symposium being held in Pincher Creek at the end of April.

New Horizons Information relating to the New Horizons Grant and grant writing sessions available to organizations.

Alberta SW A bulletin from Alberta SW outlining different initiatives currently underway.

MAP Information for council regarding a new initiative the AB Government is starting that will support local governments to build municipal capacity and meet legislative requirements.

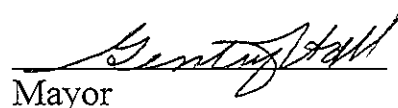
FINANCIAL

Members of the public, Beth Hudson and Anny Moller left the meeting at 8:02 pm.

A/P Clr. Norby moved the accounts from chq # 16463 to 16478 together with internet payments and payroll chq # 16465 to 16469 for a total of \$30,258.07 be paid as listed. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment There being no further business to discuss at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

TOWN OF STAVELY


Mayor


Chief Administrative Officer