

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Russell, held in the Council Chambers, Russell, Manitoba on Tuesday, September 25th, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Deputy-Mayor Eldon Montgomery presiding and Councillors Bonnie Bily, Willis Pushka and Chris Radford in attendance.

Sgt. Matt Lavallee of the RCMP met with Council to introduce himself and to discuss general policing issues in the Town of Russell.

Terry Rolfe and Marcia Rowat representing APED met with Council to discuss a renewal of the Town's funding agreement with APED for 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.

Resolution #205/07

Moved by Councillor Bily

Seconded by Councillor Pushka

WHEREAS a copy of the minutes of the last regular meeting dated September 11th, 2007 have been provided to each member of Council;

AND WHEREAS a copy of the minutes of the last regular of the Town of Russell have been posted in the municipal office;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the last regular meeting dated September 11th, 2007 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Resolution #206/07

Moved by Councillor Bily

Seconded by Councillor Radford

The Council of the Town of Russell approves payment from the Town of Russell General Account, at the Royal Bank, Russell Branch, Russell Branch, of Cheque #16730 to Cheque #16793 inclusive in the amount of \$1,183,448.84.

Carried.

Resolution #207/07

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Pushka

That By-law No. 1485/12/07 of the Town of Russell to provide for firefighting, fire prevention, the related regulation of fire and other hazards, the adoption of the Code, and for establishing, and continuing the operation of an emergency service in the Town of Russell be introduced and read a third time be passed and signed and sealed by the Mayor and CAO.

Carried.

IN FAVOUR: Bily, Montgomery, Pushka, Radford

OPPOSED: None

Resolution #208/07

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Pushka

That the increase in assessment as listed on the returns dated September 13th, 2007 submitted by the Provincial Assessment Branch be added to the 2007 Property Tax Roll under Section 326 of the Municipal Act.

Carried.

Resolution #209/07

Moved by Councillor Pushka

Seconded by Councillor Bily

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Wanda Michel be appointed to the position of .7 office assistant at a rate of \$1,253.83 per month effective September 15th, 2007.

Carried.

Resolution #210/07

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Bily

WHEREAS the Town of Russell has agreed to assist the Chicken Chef and Jim McCarthy in redeveloping the site of the Chicken Chef restaurant to assist with parking as a result of the Highway #16 Upgrade Project;

AND WHEREAS part of the solution regarding parking for the Chicken Chef restaurant includes the expansion of the site to include a portion of Parcel A, Plan 31022;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Russell approve the agreements dated September 25th, 2007 between the Town of Russell and The Russell Chef Inc. and the Town of Russell and James McCarthy for the sale of a portion of Parcel A, Plan 31022 adjacent to Lots 3,4,5 Plan 702;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Deputy-Mayor and C.A.O. be authorized to sign the said agreements.

Carried.

Resolution #211/07

Moved by Councillor Pushka

Seconded by Councillor Radford

WHEREAS the Town of Russell had an agreement with Brent Kempthorne regarding Lot 5, Block 2, Plan 7387 which expires September 30th, 2007;

AND WHEREAS both the Town and Mr. Kempthorne are interested in renewing the agreement for a further 5 years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Russell approve the agreement between the Town of Russell and Brent Kempthorne dated September 25th, 2007 for the lease and potential sale of Lot 5, Block 2, Plan 7387;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and C.A.O. be authorized to sign the said agreement.

Carried.

Resolution #212/07

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Bily

WHEREAS the Department of Highways has requested Council consideration for the closure of the intersection of main Street & Highway #16 on a temporary basis to accommodate construction time lines;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Russell authorize the Department of Highways and Russell Redi Mix to temporarily close the intersection at Main Street and Highway #16 in conjunction with the Highway #16 Upgrade Project;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Highways and Russell Redi Mix ensure sufficient signage to identify the detour access to the Town during the closure period.

Carried.

Resolution #213/07

Moved by Councillor Pushka

Seconded by Councillor Bily

WHEREAS Canada's Citizenship Week will be held from October 15th to 21st, 2007;

AND WHEREAS Canada's Citizenship Week provides an opportunity to reflect on the value of citizenship and immigration and to focus on the privileges, rights, responsibilities and obligations of citizenship;

AND WHEREAS New Canadians bring a strong sense of commitment to their new home make many valuable contributions to Canada and play an important role in our economic strength and cultural diversity;

AND WHEREAS the themes and values of Canadian citizenship reinforce an important message for all Canadians – that newcomers are welcome in Canada and that we all belong;

AND WHEREAS all Canadians, old and new, can join together in reaffirming their commitment to Canada;

THEREFORE I, Eldon Montgomery Deputy-Mayor do hereby proclaim the week of October 15th to 21st, 2007 as "Canada's Citizenship Week:" in the Town of Russell.

Carried.

Resolution #214/07

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Bily

WHEREAS Breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in Canadian women and is a serious disease that will affect 22,300 women, 170 men and their families this year, and

AND WHEREAS it is of great importance that money is raised for funding breast cancer research projects and community programs, and

AND WHEREAS The Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation strives to be an effective advocate, a trusted leader, a respectful partner and a resourceful catalyst in creating a future without breast cancer.

THEREFORE I, Eldon Montgomery Deputy-Mayor do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2007 as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in the Town of Russell.

Carried.

Resolution #215/07

Moved by Councillor Pushka

Seconded by Councillor Radford

That the financial statement for the month of August, 2007 as submitted to and examined by Council be approved.

Carried.

Correspondence was then read and considered.

Council adjourned.

Adopted this 9th day of October A.D., 2007.

Mayor, Town of Russell

C.A.O., Town of Russell