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Village of Innisfree

Regular MEETING Minutes August 20, 2014

A REGULAR meeting of the Council of the Village of Innisfree was held in the Council Chambers of the Innisfree Village Office, Innisfree, Alberta at 7:08 p.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 2014

PRESENT

Deb McMann

Mayor

Morris Anderson

Deputy Mayor

Robert Dobler

Councillor

ALSO PRESENT

Jennifer Hodel

Chief Administrative Officer

Call to Order

Mayor McMann called the meeting to order at 7:08p.m.

<u>Agenda</u>

Council reviewed the Agenda.

2014-08-20/01

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Anderson that the agenda be approved as

presented.

**CARRIED** 

<u>Minutes</u>

Council reviewed minutes from the July 15, 2014 Regular Meeting, the July 31,

2014 Special Meeting and the August 12, 2014 Special Meeting.

2014-08-20/02

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the July 15, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

2014-08-20/03

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the July 31, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes be

approved as presented.

CARRIED

An error regarding a date on the August 12, 2014 Special Meeting minutes was noted.

2014-08-20/04

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the August 12, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes

be approved as corrected.

**CARRIED** 

### Business Arising from the Minutes

The Public Works Foreman has been spraying for noxious weeds. The Admin will speak to him about some other areas to spray.

The key lock box has been installed in the Public Works shop and is being utilized.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

The Financial Statements were passed amongst the Council for approval. This included Account Balances for August 20, 2014, the July Bank Statement from ATB Financial, a bank reconciliation and the totals of the Aged Tax Arrears statement and Aged Utilities Arrears statement.

2014-08-20/05

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Anderson that the Financial Statements be accepted

as presented.

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CARRIED

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**ACCOUNTS**: The accounts were discussed.

2014-08-20/06

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the Accounts be approved for payment.

CARRIED

## Committee Reports

<u>Admin Report</u>

The Admin Report was reviewed.

Two requests for permission to discharge a firearm within the corporate limits of the Village of Innisfree for the purpose of culling animals that present a danger to Village infrastructure were discussed.

2014-08-20/07

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Anderson that Howard Ferguson and Arnold Usenik be given permission to discharge a firearm within Village of Innisfree corporate limits provided that the Vermilion R.C.M.P. are notified beforehand.

CARRIED

The Admin will write a letter of confirmation for Mr. Ferguson.

The proposal by Alberta Hub for the Village to take the lead on an ACP Grant to study the north central transportation corridor was reviewed.

2014-08-20/08

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Anderson that the Village take the lead on the ACP Grant application.

**CARRIED** 

A village resident asked Council to forgive taxes on a property that was consolidated as per the option given by Council in 2013 within the time frame specified at that time. The property is on one title due to the consolidation but is listed as two separate properties on the tax roll due to a technicality. The Admin has confirmed this with Alberta Land Titles.

2014-08-20/09

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Anderson that 2014 property taxes levied against Roll No. 130 be forgiven in the amount of \$581.04.

CARRIED

The ATCO Gas Franchise Agreement is up for renewal. The Village will not be negotiating an increase.

The Admin will review the Land Use Bylaw.

2014-08-20/10

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the Admin Report be accepted for

information.

<u>Public Works</u>

The Admin gave a verbal report on behalf of the Public Works Foreman.

There was a serious water line break on 53 Street. It appears that it may have been leaking for some time. It has been repaired and the Admin has applied for a grant to cover the costs of repairs including repairing 53 Street.

Grass has been planted in a few areas of Village property that were previously black earth.

### Ace Water

Some of the Villages regional partners in the ACE Corporation have received permission from Alberta Environment to operate their water treatment facilities without upgrades to their disinfection protocols for up to ten years. This permission was received because they are unable to upgrade their facilities and still meet their financial obligations to the regional water line.



## Sewer

The sewer smell on 51 Street has not been too bad lately.

### Transportation

The Village has received a bid on the golf cart. The Council will not close the bids at this time.

# Garbage

There will be a joint landfill meeting on August 26, 2014

### Innisfree Recreation Park

Suggestions from campers at the Recreation Park were reviewed.

2014-08-20/11

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that a sign for each side of Highway 16 be purchased to advertise the location of the Village and the Rec Park.

**CARRIED** 

The Admin requested that the meeting move in camera to discuss a personnel issue.

2014-08-20/12

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Anderson that the meeting move *in camera* to discuss a personnel issue in accordance with section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act*.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting moved in camera at 8:31 pm.

2014-08-20/13

MOTION by Councillor Dobler to move the meeting *out of camera.* 

**CARRIED** 

The meeting moved out of camera at 8:34 pm.

The Rec Park manager's would like to increase the size of some lots at the park to accommodate larger RV units.

# **Economic Development**

Mayor McMann extended her appreciation to Council, Village staff and their families for their participation in decorating the Village parade float.

The Admin will update the website with pictures from the fair.

The Admin will attempt to contact the Cut Bank movie production company for a copy of the movie.

# EMERGENCY/DISASTER SERVICES/EAST CENTRAL 911

The Admin will investigate the mandate of 'Citizens on Patrol'.

The request by the County of Minburn that the Village be a partner in an ACP Grant for fire and rescue equipment for the fire departments within the County of Minburn was reviewed.

2014-08-20/14

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the Village of Innisfree authorizes the County of Minburn to participate in an application for the purchase of a rapid attack truck and supporting fire equipment for the Village of Mannville and the Village of Innisfree Fire Departments under the Intermunicipal Collaboration component of the Alberta Community Partnership Program, and further, that the Village of Innisfree agrees to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement, governing the purpose and use of the grant funds .

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**CARRIED** 

The Doctor will be seeing patients at the Innisfree museum on August 26, 2014.

A thank you card will be sent to Mr. Greg Bruce for his assistance in moving the examination bed into the museum.

# MD of MINBURN FOUNDATION

Deputy Mayor Anderson will be attending a meeting on August 21, 2014. The Villa in Innisfree is experiencing problems with tree roots

### FC\$S/PAC

Mayor McMann reported that school will start on August 28, 2014.

2014-08-20/15

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Anderson that the Village place an advertisement for the Rec Park and the schedule of Village Council Meetings on the FCSS calendar.

CARRIED

There is an Health & Wellness Expo in Mannville on September 10, 2014.

### **KALYNA**

There was a Kalyna BBQ and a casino in Ft. McMurray in July. The Village will not participate in the Kalyna Winter Map.

#### LIBRARY BOARD/NLLS

The Library has developed a plan of service.

The Library has events planned for Alberta Culture Days.

### CEMETERY

Dirt needs to be moved. A tree has fallen.

## CORRESPONDENCE

A quote for the construction of a peaked roof for the front of the Public Works shop was reviewed. Council will wait for more quotes to be submitted before a decision is made.

An opportunity for a meeting between Council and representatives from Alberta Transportation at AUMA 2014 was discussed.

Council reviewed the Mannville Joint Landfill Soil Assessment report.

The Village will not buy an Alberta Parks & recreation membership.

The Village will nominate Mayor McMann for the Stars of Alberta Volunteers award.

The Council discussed the Natural Resources Conservation Board's Annual Report.

AUMA 2014 was discussed.

2014-08-20/15

MOTION by Councillor Dobler that as there was no further business to discuss, the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

