

A REGULAR meeting of the Council of the Village of Innisfree was held in the Council Chambers, Innisfree, Alberta at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2014.

PRESENT	Deb McMann	Mayor
	John Hlushak	Councillor
	Robert Dobler	Councillor
	Aaron Cannan	Councillor

ALSO PRESENT	Jennifer Hodel	Chief Administrative Officer
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Call to Order Mayor McMann called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Agenda Council reviewed the Agenda.

2014-01-21/01	MOTION by Councillor Hlushak that the Agenda be approved with additions.	<u>CARRIED</u>
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2014-01-21/02	MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the December 17, 2013 Minutes be approved as presented.	<u>CARRIED</u>
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Business Arising from Minutes

Mardar Electric has moved the Fire Hall thermostat away from the wall. Tower Plumbing has repaired the overhead heater in the Fire Hall.

The Admin will follow up on the Interac machine.

A letter will be sent to a resident with an unregistered vehicle parked on the public roadway.

Participation in the Communities in Bloom program was discussed. The decision to participate was tabled.

Benefit packages were discussed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

The Financial Statements were passed among the Council for approval. This included Account Balances for January 21, 2014, December's Bank Reconciliation and Bank Statement from ATB Financial as well as a Tax Aged Arrears Trial Balance and a Utilities Aged Arrears Trial Balance.

2014-01-21/03	MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the Financial Statements be accepted as presented.	<u>CARRIED</u>
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ACCOUNTS: The Accounts were discussed.

2014-01-21/04	MOTION by Councillor Hlushak that the Accounts be approved for payment.	<u>CARRIED</u>
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Councillor Hlushak reported on the Mayors Symposium that was attended by him and Deputy Mayor Anderson.

Fire Chief Eldon Kostynuk and Deputy Fire Chief Dean Lindballe attended the meeting at 8:22 pm.

Both gentlemen addressed Council regarding the Council's support for the Innisfree Volunteer Fire Department and possible objections to Councillor Cannan serving as a member of said Department. Council assured The Chief and Deputy Chief that they had no objection to Councillor Cannan serving on the Fire Department. Councillor Cannan stated that he would excuse himself from any vote on financial matters relating to the Fire Department.

The Council was asked for clarification regarding uniforms for the Fire Department.

Fire Chief Kostynuk asked for assistance to pay costs for his personal cellular phone bill relating to Fire Department business.

2014-01-21/05 MOTION by Councillor Hlushak that the Village pay Fire Chief Kostynuk \$50.00 per month for cell phone usage relating to Fire Department business.

CARRIED

Fire Chief Kostynuk and Deputy Fire Chief Lindballe left the meeting at 8:53 pm.

Committee Reports

Admin Report The Admin Report was presented.

2014-01-21/06 MOTION by Councillor Hlushak that the proposed wage increase for the Innisfree Volunteer Fire Department be approved and that the wage be set at \$21.00 per hour for Officers, \$19.00 per hour for Firefighters, \$15.00 per hour for Practice and \$20.00 per day for Standby.

Councillor Cannan declared a direct pecuniary interest and left the Council Chambers at 8:58 pm.

CARRIED

Councillor Cannan returned to the Council Chambers at 9:00 pm.

2014-01-21/07 MOTION by Councillor Cannan that Jennifer Hodel be appointed as Innisfree's Director of Emergency Management.

CARRIED

The Admin will follow up on 2013 ACE Water Board Fees.

2014-01-21/07 MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the Admin direct MCS Net to drawn up a final contract to erect a tower to provide internet access.

2014-01-21/08 MOTION by Councillor Cannan that the Admin Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

ACE Water

There have been no meetings.

Sewer

Councillor Dobler indicated that a closer look at venting the sewer line on 51 St. will be undertaken in the Spring.

Transportation

There have been some equipment issues. Councillor Hlushak mentioned that the Public Works Foreman has been doing an excellent job clearing snow from the streets. The Admin will instruct Mr. Fleming to dig out fire hydrants. Snow will no longer be piled by the penguin.

A yield sign will be acquired for the corner of 48 Ave. and 52 St.

Garbage

The vandalism of a bin at the PetroCan was discussed. The Admin will follow up with Mr. Fleming about the possibility of securing the bins with a chain.

The Admin will try to combine the acquisition of two more bins and longer forks for the front end loader in a 2014 MSI Capital Grant application.

Innisfree Recreation Park

Joan Anderson was kind enough to turn off street lights at the Rec Park. The Rec Park is closed for the winter season.

Economic Development

The van wrap was discussed.

Website hosting costs have dropped.

2014-01-21/09 MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the Village host a Skating Party on February 17, 2014 at the arena between the hours of 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm.

CARRIED

The Council agreed that any time spent by Village Staff in the assistance of facilitating Village events during dates that the staff would otherwise have off will be compensated by time off during regular hours.

Disaster Services/911

The possibility of the Fire Department holding an Emergency Preparation scenario was discussed.

Physician Recruitment

The nurse practitioner will be attending patients at the Museum on January 22, 2014.

2014-01-21/10 MOTION by Councillor Dobler that the Admin draft a letter to the Town of Vermilion declining Innisfree's participation in regional Physician Recruitment.

CARRIED

M.D. of Minburn

Deputy Mayor Anderson was not in attendance.

The Admin reported that the records of the M.D. of Minburn Board fees were audited against Village records. No discrepancies were found.

FCSS/PAC

FCSS brought Mannville senior's to visit Innisfree's Museum and to have lunch locally.

There will be an outing to West Edmonton Mall by FCSS on January 26, 2014.

Mayor McMann will make a donation of \$50.00 as thanks for the Village donating use of the community van for a trip to Edmonton this month.

The Christmas Supper and Concert at the school was a success.

Kalyna

Mayor McMann did not attend the Kalyna meeting. Kalyna will be sending representatives to the Growing Rural Tourism Conference.

Library Board

The Village of Innisfree Library will be co-hosting 2 screenings of The Auctioneer at the Senior's Hall on February 1, 2014. Council will help set up.

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Correspondence Correspondence was reviewed.

Mayor McMann will attend the Growing Rural Tourism Conference.

The Council does not foresee the need to borrow funds from Alberta Capital Finance Authority this year.

Mayor McMann will participate in the MGA Review.

2014-01-21/11 MOTION by Councillor Cannan that the Village join the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

CARRIED

Participation in the Spring Training and Showcase was tabled.

The establishment of a Local Cemetery Board was discussed. The Admin will contact the County regarding combining the administration of all local cemeteries under one Board.

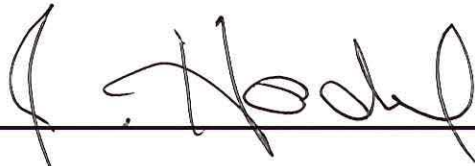
2014-01-21/12 MOTION by Councillor Cannan that the Admin attend Census training on February 25, 2014.

CARRIED

2014-01-21/13 MOTION by Councillor Cannan that as there was no further business to discuss, the meeting be adjourned at 10:13 pm.



Mayor Deborah McMann



Jennifer Hodel, CAO

