Town of Mundare Regular Council Meeting Minutes January 20, 2015

Present

Mayor Charles Gargus, Councillors, F. Rosypal, M. Greening, I. Talaga,

Jaime Burghardt

Staff

CAO Colin Zyla, Theresa Warawa, Susan Campbell

Call to Order Mayor Gargus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda

15/20

Burghardt_that the agenda be adopted as presented with the following additions:

5(g) Green grants

Carried

Delegation

(a) Sergeant Jeremie Landry, RCMP

Sergeant Landry was unable to attend so Corporal Drinkwater was present.

Corporal Drinkwater presented statistics of the last three months.

- -commented that traffic heading North on Highway 855 is quite busy
- -crime rates are down in the Mundare area due to the holiday season and the cold weather.
- -Spoke to Council to start thinking what their priorities for policing for 2015
 - -traffic control
 - -youth programs
 - -Property Crime
 - -visibility in the community
 - -trafficking of drugs
 - -Sergeant Landry will be in contact

(b) Susan Campbell, CDO

Susan Campbell presented an update of what she is working on.

-HR is taking up 50% of her time over the first year, time should decrease as most of the basic documents are already done in draft.

Discussion took place about events planned for the upcoming year.

- -Canada Day options were discussed. Celebrate Canada Funding application for \$4,000 for a Street Party has been submitted.
- -Entertainment for Canada Day was discussed. Street Performers may be a possibility.
- -Working on Agri-Daze, have had no success in finding a marching band.

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-A letter was received from the Ride for Dad committee that the Town of Mundare will again be there lunch stop but will be staying longer this year.

Business (a) Community Futures

Community Futures Elk Island Region has a vacant position on their Board of Directors.

Discussion took place about a Town Councillor sitting on the board.

-Irene Talaga will contact Brad Gara, General Manager, to discuss the benefits of sitting on the Community Futures Board.

(b) Fire Agreement Update

A notice from Village of Chipman was presented informing the residents of the decision to separate from the county fire services agreement and provide fire fighting services solely within the village boundaries on April 1.

(c)2014 Community Peace Officer Report

The 2014 Community Peace Officer Report was presented.

Considerable time was spent meeting with property owners trying to educate them on the Town Community Standards Bylaw.

- -19 property owners received cleanup notices
- -246 weed notices were issued

15/21 <u>Burghardt</u> that the 2014 Community Peace Officer Report be accepted as presented.

Carried

(d)Whitetail Lots

Tender requests are going to be sent out for grass cutting on empty lots at Whitetail Crossing.

- -it will be a per lot price
- -cut a minimum of three times
- -owners will be notified of cost and we will get permission from them to cut
- -if we don't get permission, we will send out notices when needed to be cut and then get a contractor and bill them for the work.

(e) Rezoning 4937 - 49 Avenue

A letter was presented about a business opening on this site.

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This property is currently zoned R3. In order for this business to open, the property needs to be rezoned to a commercial district.

- A public hearing will be held on February 17 during the council meeting.

(f) Whitetail Development Issues

Discussion took place about situations where there is a smaller lot and the homeowner were to buy the empty lot next door.

- -both lots can be fenced if landscaping features included more than 30% of the lot width.
- -our bylaw does not allow an accessory structure on an empty lot
- -garages would not be able to be placed on the property
- -the properties could be amalgamated onto one title
- -the CAO will get more information regarding lot amalgamation

(g) Green Grants

Irene Talaga discussed a grant that is available for planting native grass, community gardens.

-Susan Campbell will work on the grant for CIB.

Correspondence

(a) RMRF - Annual Municipal Law Seminar

15/22 <u>Rosypal</u> that the correspondence be accepted as presented.

Carried

Adjournment Mayor Gargus adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer