

**MINUTES
SADDLE HILLS COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY MARCH 9, 2010**

Meeting of the Council for Saddle Hills County was held in the Council Chambers of the Saddle Hills County Administration Building on Tuesday March 9, 2010.

PRESENT:

***TIM STONE
MIKE MCRANN
JOHN MOEN
ALVIN HUBERT
BARBARA BUCK
BRUCE JACK
CINDY CLARKE***

***REEVE
COUNCILLOR
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COUNCILLOR***

DIANNE NELLIS

***CHIEFADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICER***

SANDY PEDDLE

RECORDING SECRETARY

JASON JAGODICH

***DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING
AND PUBLIC WORKS***

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Stone called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

Jason Jagodich, Director of Engineering and Public Works entered the Council meeting at 10:41 a.m.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The following item was added to the agenda:

7.5 Saddle Hills County House

**MOTION
01.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council adopt the agenda for the March 9, 2010 regular meeting with the noted addition.

Carried

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Council Meeting Minutes – February 23, 2010

The minutes from the February 23, 2010 regularly scheduled meeting of Council were presented for Council's review.

Motion 12.02.23.10 addition of the word "yard" in front of the word" scraper"

MOTION

02.03.09.10

Moved by Councillor Moen that the Council minutes from the February 23, 2010 meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried

5.1 CAO Report

The Chief Administrative Officer's written report was presented to Council. The following items were discussed:

- Vision Meeting
- Manager of Rural Development
- Calendar Update

MOTION

03.03.09.10

Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council authorize attendance to the Interprovincial / Intermunicipal meeting in Dawson Creek on March 31, 2010.

Carried

MOTION

04.03.09.10

Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council accept the Chief Administrative Officer's written report for information purposes only.

Carried

5.2 Director of Engineering and Public Works' Report

The Director of Engineering and Public Works' written report was presented to Council. The following items were discussed;

- Special Hauling Permits
- Ditch Cleaning in Woking
- Pillsworth Tender
- Transfer Station Maintenance

MOTION

05.03.09.10

Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council accept the Director of Engineering and Public Works' report for information purposes only.

Carried

Sergeant Guy Landreville entered the Council meeting at 11:05 a.m.

4.1 RCMP Annual Update

Sergeant Landreville presented Council with the annual update on the Sprit River RCMP detachment. The update included statistic for four years for Council comparison of the five surrounding municipalities. Sergeant Landreville notified County Council that he would be leaving the area for a posting in Reed Deer.

Sergeant Guy Landreville departed the Council meeting at 11:25

Dan Dibbelt from Northern Alberta Development Council entered the Council meeting at 11:27 a.m.

4.2 Northern Alberta Development Council – Economic Development

Mr. Dibbelt from Northern Alberta Development Council presented Council with information on economic development. He provided steps and options on how to retain an Economic Development Officer for Saddle Hills County.

Dan Dibbelt departed the Council meeting at 11:59 a.m.

Council recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 1:28 p.m.

7.1 Request for Refund – Rezoning Application

Administration presented Council with a request from Ken and Rita Jones for Council to consider refunding the \$500.00 rezoning fees which they had paid on April 23, 2008 to rezone their property located on the NE 9-79-12-W6M. Rezoning from Ag District to County Residential was required at that time in order for a subdivision to be considered. However, the application received was incomplete and therefore was not processed.

**MOTION
06.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council authorize Saddle Hills County reimburse Ken & Rita Jones the full rezoning application fee in the amount of \$500.00.

Carried

7.2 Gundy Community Recreation Society

The Gundy Community Recreation Society requested a letter of support from County Council in their submission for funding from the Community Initiatives Program. They are trying to raise funds to place a chain link fence around the Gundy cemetery.

**MOTION
07.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Moen that County Council give the Gundy Community Recreation Society a letter of support for their application to the Community Initiatives Program to make improvement to the Gundy cemetery.

Carried

7.3 Special Ballot Voting

Pursuant to the Local Authorities Election Act if a municipality wishes to allow voting by special ballot for its general or any bi-election, it must pass a resolution establishing Special Ballot Voting. Such resolution must be passed no later than 6 months prior to the election.

Further to discussions with Council, Administration is recommending that Special Ballot Voting be implemented in Saddle Hills County for the upcoming general municipal election. After the General Election, Administration will evaluate the service for its relevancy.

**MOTION
08.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Hubert that County Council authorize that Special Ballot Voting be implemented for Saddle Hills County for the General Election and for any By-Election.

Carried

7.4 Saddle Hills County Municipal Library Board Representative

Alison Wiebe submitted her letter of resignation from the Library Board. She sent an email to Councillor Clark, who forwarded it to Administration. In discussions with Ms. Wiebe, Administration requested her to remain in place on the Board until such time as she could be replaced and began the advertising process to obtain a new Board Member. Administration received two responses to our advertising, presented are the letters of interest.

**MOTION
09.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Buck that County Council accept Allison Wiebe's resignation from the Saddle Hills County Municipal Library Board.

Carried

**MOTION
10.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Hubert that County Council appoint Joe Rickman and Corry Heinrichs to the Saddle Hills County Municipal Library Board.

Carried

7.5 Saddle Hills County House

Reeve Stone began discussion with Council on establishing a rental fee rate for 30 Sunset Drive.

**MOTION
11.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council establish the rental fee rate be set at \$1300.00 per month for 30 Sunset Drive for the CAO or that the CAO be allowed to purchase the home for the rate that it was originally purchased at.

Carried

8.1 Councillor Round Table

County Councillors provided verbal reporting on various topics for information purposes only.

**MOTION
12.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Moen that County Council accept the Council verbal reports for information purposes only.

Carried

9. Information Items

1. **Accounts Payable**
2. **Contact**
3. **CN Public Information Notice**
4. **NAEL Election**
5. **Well Blowout – CNRL 9-12-75-12-W6**
6. **Alberta Housing and Urban Affairs**
7. **Alberta Energy**
8. **Alberta Children and Youth Services**
9. **Alberta Municipal Affairs**
10. **Alberta Solicitor General**
11. **MMSA Monitor**
12. **News Release – Chris Warkentin**
13. **AAMD&C Member Bulletin**
14. **Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission 09/10**
15. **Mountain Pine Beetle Up-date**
16. **Alberta Transportation**
17. **Genivar – AAMD&C Convention**
18. **Stewart, Weir & Co. Ltd. – AAMD&C Convention**
19. **Community Planning Association of Alberta**
20. **Alberta Transportation – Grant Funding**
21. **Community Futures**
22. **AAMD&C District Highlights**

**MOTION
13.03.09.10**

Moved by Councillor Hubert that County Council accept the information items for information purposes only.

Carried

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Reeve Stone declared the meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

REEVE

CAO