

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Willow Bunch held in the Municipal Board room at #16 Edouard Beaupre St., Willow Bunch, Saskatchewan on October 12th, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wayne Joyal at 7:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor Wayne Joyal, Administrator Sharleine Eger and the following councillors:

Gerald Bellefleur
Arthur Harvey
Jay Drouin
Gisele Fafard

Additions to Agenda

236/2016 Wayne Joyal: That council approve the addition of the following to the October agenda: Old Business b) Cross on the Hill
c) Landfill
New Business b) In Camera to discuss List of Lands in Arrears

Carried

Minutes

237/2016 Arthur Harvey: That the minutes of the September 14th, 2016 regular meeting be accepted as presented.

Carried

Committee Reports

238/2016 Jay Drouin: That the following reports be accepted as presented:
a) Jay – Blading of the roads, crowns are quite elevated and smaller vehicles are bottoming out at intersection of #2 and Ave E and Ave F
b) Gisele- Willow Bunch Housing – still short 1 member
Library – Halloween party Oct. 29/16
Cayer Trust – need one more person
c) Wayne – Big Muddy Mutual Aid – WB only recipient of \$500
Attended RM meeting on October 6th, 2016

Carried

Employee Reports

239/2016 Arthur Harvey: That the following reports be accepted as presented:
a. CDO report as filed
b. Foreman Water reports as filed
c. Admin Report as filed

Carried

Unauthorized Dumping in Town Trailer

240/2016 Gerald Bellefleur: That after evidence provided of the unauthorized dumping of garbage into the Town trailer in front of the Town shop that a letter be sent to the individual reminding him of Bylaw #21/2015 and what it provides for.

Carried

1977 Chevrolet Pumper Truck

241/2016 Jay Drouin : That the RM offer for Tender on Kijiji, the 1977 Chev Pumper truck along with the disclaimer that highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Carried



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DELEGATION: Town Foreman: Unauthorized dumping, WTP electrical, Ave H and 3rd St., flush sewer line at #18 3rd St.

Garbage Left at #14 6th, St.

242/2016 Jay Drouin: That the Town Foreman collect the piles of discarded items and garbage left out front of #14, 6th St. and that the property owners be invoiced for the landfill charges and custom work charge. Carried

Rescind Motion #196/2016

243/2016 Jay Drouin: That motion #196/2016 being a 1st Reading of Bylaw #8/2016 be rescinded on account of errors in the legal land description provided. Carried

Bylaw #8/2016 1st Reading

244/2016 Gerald Bellefleur: That Bylaw #8/2016 being a bylaw to provide for a municipal reserve exchange be read a first time. Carried

Repair Generators

245/2016 Gisele Fafard: That the Town approve the quote provided by Apex Electric in the amount of \$3,329.29 to repair the generators at the Town office, Hills of Home Senior Centre, and Water Treatment Plant and to add a cold weather kit to all three of them. Carried

Confined Spaces Training

246/2016 Gisele Fafard: That the Foreman attend the Confined Spaces class in Weyburn, Nov. 14th, 2016 and that the Town pay the required fee of \$235 and expenses. Carried

Repair WTP Coin Op System and Breakers

247/2016 Gerald Bellefleur: That the Town approve the quote provided by Haywire Electric in the amount of \$1651.38 plus GST to repair the WTP coin operated system and breakers that were damaged in the September 2016 electrical storm. Carried

Resolution to SARM

248/2016 Wayne Joyal: That the Town forward the following resolution to SUMA for the 2017 convention:

WHEREAS with authority granted by *The Municipalities Act*, municipalities in Saskatchewan have enacted bylaws concerning nuisance properties, hazardous situations, zoning, etc. These bylaws have been put in place to maintain community standards and to make our communities safe and comfortable places to live; and

WHEREAS in some cases attempts to enforce bylaws are met with legal actions. Enforcement via the courts is expensive. Councils, seeing the potential problems and expenses, become reluctant to enforce bylaws or avoid using bylaws all together to avoid the possibility of financial loss. Legal costs can wreak havoc on the limited budget of a small community. With little effort or expense, a resident can place his or her community in jeopardy; and

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WHEREAS the difficulty in employing and enforcing bylaws has a chilling effect which can result in the abandoning of attempts to uphold community standards aimed at maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in small municipalities. They become less attractive places to live and, in their decline, foster an attitude within remaining residents that is inclined to contribute to the further deterioration of amenities; and

WHEREAS although the legal system depends on due process, it would be helpful if there were an alternative to lengthy expensive actions to which uncooperative individuals can subject a municipality. Under the current system, municipalities are accumulating legal bills in tens of thousands of dollars fighting persons who are clearly in violation of the laws of their municipality;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUMA request the Provincial Government amend *The Municipalities Act* to include a provision for mediation services in cases of dispute between Orders to Remedy and municipal governments and make such mediation a requirement before initiating court actions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that mediation be made available at minimum cost and be facilitated by an independent third party.

Carried

FCM Street Sweeper Repair

249/2016 Wayne Joyal: That the Foreman arrange to haul the 1981 FCM street sweeper to Arthur Harvey's garage for the purposes of inspecting the linkage to repair.

Carried

STARS Landing Site

250/2016 Jay Drouin: That the town designate Lot G, Plan EX727 located at the South End of the former school as the new STARS landing area.

Carried

Adjournment

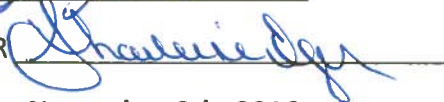
251/2016 Wayne Joyal: Wayne Joyal called adjournment at 8:15 p.m. and left the meeting.

Carried

MAYOR



ADMINISTRATOR



NEXT MEETING - November 9th, 2016