#### MINUTES

#### TOWN OF SEXSMITH

#### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

#### MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2009

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This regular Council meeting of Town Council was called to order by Mayor Lagace at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers in the Town of Sexsmith.

COUNCIL

Claude Lagace

Mayor

**PRESENT** 

Rick Sakundiak
Barb Sparks
Jonathan Siggelkow
Matthew Barnfield
Isak Skjaveland

Councillor Councillor

Deputy Mayor

Councillor Councillor

COUNCIL ABSENT Don Jickling

Councillor

STAFF PRESENT

Carolyn Gaunt

Alan Gordey

Public Works Superintendent

Craig Rees

**Equipment Operator** 

Everett Cooke

Fire Chief

CAO

PUBLIC PRESENT Jeffrey Wells, Willemien Marissink, Yvonne Dressler, Barbara Retzlaff, Bill Retzlaff, Mary

Berg, Trina Trudel

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**RESOLUTION NO. 068-03-09** 

Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that the agenda for this meeting be adopted with the following additions and changes:

BUSINESS ARISING 1. Renumbering of items 1 – 4 with Flusher

Truck Heater Unit being #1

5. Easements

NEW BUSINESS 4. Renumbering of items 4-5

6. Letter to RCMP

IN CAMERA 1. Aquatera

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

PUBLIC to Mr. Wells has been talking with business owners on main street. What is Sexsmith doing

to **SESSION** 

promote business? Businesses are leaving. He is disappointed in follow-up by the RCMP. He would like to see enforcement scheduled on different hours, video cameras on corners, and signs, stating 'video surveillance'.

Councillor Skjaveland said that the RCMP have not followed up on tips given to them. Sexsmith is the quietest town according to the RCMP. COPS are out patrolling every Friday and Saturday nights.

Mr. Gordey stated that cameras on the streets are not effective because of low lighting. The Town has a camera over at the NAR station.

Councillor Siggelkow encouraged Mr. Wells to ask business owners, "How many are members of COPS?"

Councillor Sparks said that we are talking about two different issues.

Mr. Wells said that we don't have a deterrent for thieves.

Councillor Barnfield said that Town should put up 'video surveillance' signs.

Councillor Sakundiak thinks businesses should put in alarms.

Mr. Wells said that video cameras are not an option to market the Town.

Mayor Lagace said that the Town is lobbying the Minister for more RCMP. He suggested that the Town have someone come to the Chamber of Commerce meeting to inform us what is required for putting security components in place.

Ms. Marissink said that she has surveillance cameras and will put in a flood light.

Mr. Retzlaff wondered how they can get a response from the RCMP. H cannot get them to return phone calls or to do follow-up.

Mayor said that the Town is working with letters to the Ministers. He said the Town will arrange for a person to come to the next Chamber meeting.

Thanks, around.

#### **DELEGATION**

#### Mandee Takhar, Sustainability Coordinator

There is an initiative to have every municipality create a municipal sustainability plan by 2010. On March 31, 2009, She will be bringing in a natural step facilitator. She is proposing to have a committee in place by April 1, 2009. The Town needs a MSP for the New Deal by March 31, 2009. She wants persons for the regional committee. The project is funded through the AUMA. The City put in \$15,000 and the County put in \$5,000. There is no cost to the other communities.

#### **PUBLIC SESSION**

Ms. Marissink has an issue with people parking in front of their businesses. Alberta Disaster Services are taking up some of their parking, too.

Mayor Lagace asked the Public Works Superintendent to look at the issue.

Ms. Dressler said customers are frustrated by having to find parking spaces.

#### **DELEGATION**

#### **Everett Cooke, Fire Chief**

Mr. Cooke requested \$750 from Council to present thank you's to wives of firefighters, to be presented at the Firemen's Ball. There are ten ladies that qualify. He is leaving on Thursday, March 5, 2009 to pick up the rescue van and will be back on March 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup>.

# ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 069-03-09**

Councillor Barnfield moved that Council accept the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 17, 2009 as presented.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### BUSINESS ARISING

#### Flusher Truck Heater Unit

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 070-03-09**

Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that Council approve the purchase of the heater unit for the flusher truck.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# Fire Agreement RESOLUTION NO. 071-03-09

Moved by Councillor Sparks that Council accept the changes as presented to the Fire Agreement with the County.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# Supervisors' Conference in Edmonton

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 072-03-09**

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that Council approve Barry Walega and Craig Reese to attend the Supervisors' Conference in Edmonton on March 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# Agenda RESOLUTION NO. 073-03-09

Moved by Councillor Sakundiak that Council add RCMP to the agenda as NEW BUSINESS item number 5.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### Childcare RESOLUTION NO. 074-03-09

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that Council send a letter of support to the Ministers of Education and Infrastructure regarding the Sexsmith Childcare being run out of the portables at RWZ school and the savings by not having to mobilize the Sexsmith portables.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### Easements RESOLUTION NO. 075-03-09

Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that Council accept this for information only.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# NEW BUSINESS

# Sustainability RESOLUTION NO. 076-03-09

Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that Council approve the terms of reference of the regional sustainability committee.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### RESOLUTION NO. 077-03-09

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that Council accept the terms of reference in principle for the municipal committee with less members in administration and two public members at large.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# Request of Fire Department

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 078-03-09**

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that Council approve the Fire Department request of \$750 by increasing Council funds to the society.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Request of Support for GP Youth emergency Shelter

# **RESOLUTION NO. 079-03-09**

Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that Council send a letter of support for the Youth Emergency Shelter to the Minister of Child and Youth Services and to the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Meeting with MP Chris Warkentin

Information only.

Bylaw 873 Manufactured Home Subdivision

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 080-03-09**

Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that Council give first reading to Bylaw 873, the Manufactured Home Subdivision bylaw.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### Letter to RCMP

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 081-03-09**

Moved by Councillor Sakundiak that Council send a letter to the RCMP, with a carbon copy to Chris Warkentin, M.P., expressing dissatisfaction with follow-up and requesting a RCMP representative to attend a Council meeting.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### ROUND TABLE

Siggelkow	Re: Community Centre. Re-iterated that Tammy Reese offered to stay on the committee.  Requested that Public Works check snow banks on corners.	·
Sparks	There is a mess behind the grocery store and behind the butcher shop.  Derek, at the Business Development Bank, said Sexsmith needs more lots for commercial development. She has been disappointed to have trouble getting hold of people for sale of commercial lots.	The Bylaw Enforcement Officer will have a look at them.  Information only.
Sakundiak	Will be gone on March 9th.	Information only.
Lagace	Please ask Mike Leathwood about the Grande Spirit Board set up (from	CAO will inquire.

January 9th meeting.)	
The province is going to shave off the humps and repave Highway 2 from Clairmont.	Information only.

CLOSED RESOLUTION NO. 082-03-09

TO THE

**PUBLIC** Moved by Councillor Barnfield that Council go 'in camera' at 9:50 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

MEETING RESOLUTION NO. 083-03-09

OPEN TO

**THE PUBLIC** Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that Council return to the open meeting @ 9:55 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION NO. 084-03-09

Councillor Skjaveland moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

C. Lagace, Mayor	Carolyn Gaunt, Town Administrator