MINUTES

TOWN OF SEXSMITH

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY MARCH 4, 2013

Mayor Lagace called this regular Council meeting of Town Council to order at 6:36 p.m. in the Council Chambers in the Town of Sexsmith.

COUNCIL PRESENT Claude LagaceMayorRick SakundiakCouncillorMatthew BarnfieldCouncillorNicole CookeCouncillorIsak SkjavelandCouncillorJonathan SiggelkowCouncillor

COUNCIL ABSENT Don Jickling

Deputy Mayor

STAFF

PRESENT

Carolyn Gaunt Rachel Wueschner Town Administrator Assistant Administrator

PUBLIC PRESENT Merry Moore, Melissa Atkins, James Obniawka, Wendy Hughes, Davey Jones

Mary Nutting, Irene Nicolson

DELEGATIONS

Irene Nicolson & Mary Nutting, South Peace Regional Archives

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 054-03-13

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that the agenda for this meeting be adopted with

the following addition:

NEW BUSINESS

3. Ball Diamonds

CARRIED

PUBLIC SESSION

Merry Moore asked why Dobermans and German Shepherds are not named in the list of restricted dogs. She said there is no proof the dogs on the restricted list are ready to bite. Other lists have German Shepherds on them. Let the dogs prove themselves.

Wendy Hughes said she was a special constable for the SPCA in the past. She fought with the City of Grande Prairie about having dogs muzzled. She commented you don't have bad dogs you have bad dogs owners. She has seen others dogs that are meaner than pitbulls. She saw someone in town walking a pitbull without a muzzle. It would be good if you could meet the dogs.

Melissa Atkins said she has been walking her dogs with a muzzle. She is being stared at and it's very awkward and uncomfortable.

Councillor Barnfield would like to see the penalty for not getting a dog licensed increased. He would like to see a mail out with tax notices reminding people to license their dogs.

Melissa asked why the licensing fee was so high for restricted dog breeds. Davey Jones said if you treat someone poorly they will act poorly.

Councillor Siggelkow said he would like Peace Officers to have the opportunity to remove vicious dogs from the residence.

DELEGATIONS

Irene Nicolson & Mary Nutting, South Peace Regional Archives

Irene wanted to invite everyone to become members of the South Peace Regional Archives. They are located in the Grande Prairie Museum. They preserve archival records including: photographs, letters, documents, maps, film & audio, minute books, business records, community papers, scrapbooks, family histories and much more. Archives are records we leave behind as we go about our daily lives in our families, our jobs, our hobbies, and the organizations we belong to. At a cost of \$2,250/annum the Town of Sexsmith could become a member.

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Depending on the amount of archived material the cost will go up. They can do an assessment to give the Town a better idea of what it would cost.

Irene Nicolson & Mary Nutting left the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

James Obniawka left the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 055-03-13

Moved by Councillor Siggelkow that Council approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of February 19, 2013 and Budget meeting minutes of February 25, 2013.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

DRAFT ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW

RESOLUTION NO 056-03-13

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that the fines for unlicensed dogs be raised to \$200.00 for the first offense, \$300.00 for the second offense and \$500.00 for the third offence.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO 057-03-13

Moved by Councillor Cooke to change the licensing fee for dogs of restricted breeds to the same as the fee for a dog of an unrestricted breed.

DEFEATED

RESOLUTION NO 058-03-13

Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that second reading be given to the draft Animal Control Bylaw.

CARRIED

Melissa Atkins, Wendy Hughes and Davey Jones left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

BULLYING BYLAW # 905

RESOLUTION NO 059-03-13

Moved by Councillor Sakundiak that Harassment and Bullying Bylaw No. 905 be given second reading and that it be sent to the RCMP for comments before it is read for a third time.

CARRIED

AQUATERA NEW BOARD MEMBER

RESOLUTION NO 060-03-13

Moved by Councillor Barnfield to support the appointment of Darlene J. Halwas as the new Aquatera Utilities Inc. board member.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

2013 DINO BALL

RESOLUTION NO 061-03-13

Moved by Councillor Barnfield to support the Phillip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum project by purchasing a table at the 2013 Dino Ball if the ball goes ahead.

CARRIED

COUNTY SUBDIVISION

RESOLUTION NO. 062-03-13

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that the Town has no objection to the subdivision at Pt. SE-14-73-6W6 but they would like Rod Dueck to be informed and would suggest putting a berm on the north end of the property.

CARRIED

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 063-03-13

Moved by Councillor Siggelkow that the Town of Sexsmith has no objection to the Development permit for an automotive repair shop on Hwy 59 located at NW 35-73-6W6.

CARRIED

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Councillor Sakundiak left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

BALL DIAMONDS

RESOLUTION NO. 064-03-13

Moved by Councillor Cooke to defer discussion on upgrades to the ball diamonds to the budget meeting March 11, 2013.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORTS

RESOLUTION NO. 065-03-13

Moved by Councillor Barnfield to accept the bank reconciliation as at November 30, 2012 and the cheque register November 30, 2012 (cheque #037522 - 037642) and that Council accept the bank reconciliation as at December 31, 2012 and the cheque register December 31, 2012 (cheque # 037643-037760).

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

No motions made.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

For information only.

ROUND TABLE

Siggelkow	P.O.S. is doing renovations in their building. Do they have a permit?	Our inspector has been there and no permit is required for renovations only.
	On 95 th Ave. going across the tracks the stop sign and railway sign are leaning. It needs to be repaired.	Public Works will be informed.
Barnfield	Can we stop a developer from running for Mayor? Can a bylaw be passed? They usually don't stick around after being elected.	Our lawyers will be consulted Friday at the Municipal Law Seminar.
Cooke	Have the change tables for the Community Centre been ordered yet?	Yes they have been ordered.
	Has an ad gone in the Sentinel regarding the new Sustainability Committee Member needed?	Not yet. We will run one in the March edition.
	There is a large pothole at the four way stop. Can this be repaired temporarily?	Public Works will be advised.
	Will the Wellness coordinator position be discussed at the next budget meeting?	Yes, this is a budget meeting item.
	Sexsmith Playroom will be renamed Sexsmith and Area Family Play center.	For information only.
	I would like to see a requirement of a candidate running for mayor having served one term previous to running. Can this be put in a bylaw? Or could we do like the County and have an election for Councillors and then elect the mayor from this group.	Our lawyers will be consulted Friday at the Municipal Law Seminar.
Skjaveland	I was out on C.O.P.s patrol on Friday and noticed the Community Centre floors were being waxed. Was this something that was missed earlier? All	For information only.

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	the waxing should have been done at one time to save money.	
	There are chairs at the Community Centre that belong to the Civic Centre.	Public Works has been notified to bring these back to the Civic Centre.
	The Elks are donating \$1,000.00 to the Sexsmith Community Foundation.	For information only.
Lagace	In memory of Esther Botheras a past Councillor at the Town of Sexsmith \$100.00 will be donated to the Sexsmith Community Foundation.	For information only.

IN CAMERA

ADJOURNMENT **RESOLUTION NO.066-03-13**

Moved by Councillor Barnfield that this Council meeting be adjourned at 9:15

p.m.		CARRIED
Merry Moore left the meetin	g at 9:20 p.m.	
Claude Lagace, Mayor	Carolyn Gaunt, Town Administr	rator