MINUTES

TOWN OF SEXSMITH

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY JULY 22, 2013

Mayor Lagace called this regular Council meeting of Town Council to order at 6:32 p.m. in the Council Chambers in the Town of Sexsmith.

COUNCIL PRESENT	Claude Lagace Don Jickling Isak Skjaveland Jonathan Siggelkow Rick Sakundiak Matthew Barnfield		Mayor Councillor Deputy Mayor Councillor Councillor Councillor
COUNCIL ABSENT	Nicole Cooke		Councillor
STAFF PRESENT	Carolyn Gaunt Rachel Wueschner		Town Administrator Assistant Administrator
PUBLIC PRESENT	Pauline Nelson, Blair Watchorn, Craig Nellis		
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	RESOLUTION NO. 214-07-13 Moved by Councillor Barnfield that the agenda for this meeting be adopted with the following changes:		
	BUSINESS ARISING	3. Sexsmith Sentinel (it	tem moved to in camera)
	NEW BUSINESS	1. Request for Rycroft over to the Town (item	Ridge land to be turned removed)
	IN CAMERA	2. Sentinel	
PUBLIC			CARRIED
SESSION	No comments		
DELEGATIONS	Kelly Kokesch – RCMP		
	Kelly provided a quarterly report to Council for review prior to attending the meeting. The numbers for 2013 are much different than 2012 because the new numbers reflect anything coded to Sexsmith. Some of the items would be related to the highway and surrounding area. Some of the incidents may have a number of calls attached to them. There has been some increase in activity in industrial		

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areas. There was a significant collision at Bezanson and one most recently at Sexsmith. Councillor Siggelkow commented that the Town has tried to get the speed limit reduced to 80 km along the highway but were denied. Kelly suggested that the Town can keep asking for this reduction in the speed limit. Councillor Sakundiak asked if the Citizens on Patrol program has been helping. Kelly said yes this definitely helps. Kelly said there were traffic complaints Saturday in Sexsmith. Quite a few tickets were handed out due to the complaints.

Kelly Kokesch left the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Al Nykorforuk - ERCB

June 17th the Alberta Government proclaimed new legislation creating a new regulator AER (Alberta Energy Regulator). All oil & gas related functions will now be in one place. The regulations will remain the same. Some regulations need to be modified to give authority to the new regulator. This is not just a name change ERCB will still exist. Reclamations on abandoned sites and soil reclamations will be coming to AER.

Al commented that the type of wells we have in Town produce very little noise, smell or anything to have issues with. If they ever became sour the oil company would need to address this through licensing. They are required to check the well once per year in this regard. There is enforcement for not reporting sour wells. Sour wells usually start to develop when water starts being injected into the well. Councillor Barnfield asked if Al had ever heard of a community that did not want to renew a lease on a well. Al responded that once the resources have been discovered the department of energy would like to deplete the well. Abandoning a producing well is not something the Province wants to do. The Government has a stake in this as well. If there is an agreement with the oil company it may be possible to build within the setbacks of the well. Mayor Lagace asked if abandoning and reclamation of a well site is a two year process. Al responded that this would not necessarily take two years. Reclamation could take place in as little time as two weeks. Mayor Lagace asked if this included the certificate process. Al said he could not speak to this. Mayor Lagace asked once it is capped how far do residences need to be from it. Al responded that he believes it is around five meters. Al also mentioned there is an orphan fund available to clean up well sites.

Al Nykorforuk left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 215-07-13

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Moved by Councillor Jickling that Council approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of July 8, 2013 and Special meeting minutes of July 2, 2013.

CARRIED

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BUSINESS ARISING

ANTI WHISTLE	Councillor Ba	RESOLUTION NO. 216-07-13 Councillor Barnfield made a motion for Council to sit down with CN to discuss he train whistle.			
			CARRIED		
	Blair Watchorn & Craig Nellis left the meeting at 7:50 p.m.				
	Councillor Barnfield left the meeting at 7:51 p.m.				
NEW BUSINESS					
USE OF MUNICIPAL LAND	RESOLUTION NO. 217-07-13 Councillor Siggelkow made a motion to enter into a licensing agreement with 1709826 Alberta Ltd. for the use of municipal land to house a rail spur.				
			CARRIED		
	Councillor Barnfield returned to the meeting at 8:05 p.m.				
FINANCIAL REPORTS	RESOLUTION NO. 218-07-13 Moved by Councillor Sakundiak that Council accept the bank reconciliation as at February 28, 2013 and the cheque register for February 28, 2013 (cheque number 038160-038279). CARRIED				
INFORMATION ITEMS	For information only.				
COMMITTEE REPORTS	For information only.				
ROUND TABLE					
	Barnfield	Who is in charge at Public Works while Alan is away?	Scott will be in charge.		
		More weed eating needs to be done in Town.	CAO will address this with Public Works.		
	Sakundiak	Scott should have the Town truck while Alan is away in case there are any issues.	This will be discussed at the infrastructure meeting.		
		Light at the heritage Park dump station	CAO will inform		

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	is very dim. It's not working properly.	Public Works.
	I went to the spray park. It was very nice.	For information only.
	People are confused about the recycling of water at the spray park. The Town should let people know how it works.	Information will be posted on the Town Facebook page.
Siggelkow	There is a lot of chamomile along 95 th Avenue in Painted Sky.	The weed inspectors are handling this.
Skjaveland	Why is there so much algae in the Heritage Park pond?	It's duckweed. Public Works has been skimming it and hauling it away. More carp would help keep up with this.
	Silver Tech has done a fantastic job of landscaping.	For information only.

Mayor Lagace declared a five minute break at 8:30 p.m.

Pauline Nelson left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

IN CAMERA RESOLUTION NO. 219-07-13 Councillor Barnfield made a motion to go 'in camera' at 8:35 p.m.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 220-07-13 Councillor Barnfield made a motion to go 'out of camera' at 9:00 p.m.

CARRIED

 OIL WELL
 RESOLUTION NO. 221-07-13

 LEASE
 Councillor Barnfield made a motion to contact the oil company to let them know the Town may be interested in a ten year lease agreement depending on their offer. They should take into consideration what the Town has proposed for a five year renewal in their new proposal.

 CARRIED

SEXSMITH RESOLUTION NO. 222-07-13

SENTINEL Councillor Sakundiak made a motion to accept option two as submitted by Rebecca Dibbelt of Beaverlodge News for the publication of the Sexsmith Sentinel. The Town of Sexsmith will enter into an agreement of sale with Rebecca Dibbelt.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION NO. 223-07-13 Councillor Jickling made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.

CARRIED

Claude Lagace, Mayor

Carolyn Gaunt, Town Administrator