

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE
TOWN OF CHESTERMERE HELD FEBRUARY 7, 2011 IN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

PRESENT: Mayor Patricia Matthews
Deputy Mayor Patrick Bergen
Councillor Terry Leighton
Councillor Stu Hutchison
Councillor Heather Davies

REGRETS: Councillor Kelsey Johnson
Councillor Christopher Steeves

ALSO PRESENT: Terry Hurlbut, CAO
Ray MacIntosh, Director of Finance
Blake Termeer, Director of Public Works
Tracy Anderson, Director of Administrative & Legislative Services
John Popoff, Director of Development Services
Patricia Sproule, Director of Community Services
Tammy Botsford, Recording Secretary

GALLERY: 3 people
1 media

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matthews called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

11.010.003 Moved by Councillor Bergen that the Agenda be adopted as
038-11 amended:

ADDED to agenda:

H. Information/Minutes To Be Acknowledged:

8. Veteran Affairs Canada

I. Reports:

3. Enforcement Department Report, January 2011, Community Peace Officer Lamb
4. Public Works Department – Director Termeer

L. New Business:

1. Alberta Lake Management Society Conference 2011

2. Anniversary Park – Cenotaph Location
3. 429 East Chestermere Drive, 760 West Chestermere Drive, Lakefront Lands Purchase Pricing
4. Shepard Regional Drainage Plan

CARRIED:

B. APPOINTMENTS

1. Relay For Life 2011 – Colleen Corbeill and Candy Schmidt presented information about the June 24, 2011 Relay For Life to be held at the Chestermere Recreational Centre.
2. Shepard Regional Drainage Plan – presentation by Elizabeth Armitage, Project Planner, Rick Cardiff, Engineer Stantec.

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting held January 17, 2011

**11.011.003
039-11**

Moved by Councillor Davies that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held January 17, 2011 be tabled as amended.

Page 3, **E5. Audit Committee Policy No. 130 – Change in Composition:** Add “Councillor” preceding Steeves.
Page 10, **M1. 344 West Chestermere Drive** – Not a recorded vote – remove mention of recorded vote.

CARRIED:

D. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

No business arising.

E. ACTIONS/DECISIONS

1. Cheque Listing – February 2, 2011

**13.010.002
040-11**

Moved by Councillor Leighton that all cheque listings as per the memo dated February 2, 2011 be accepted as information.

CARRIED:

2. Alberta Transportation Presentation – December 6, 2011

**32.050.002
041-11**

Moved by Councillor Bergen that Council instruct the CAO to notify Alberta Transportation that we acknowledge receipt of their report of December 10, 2010, however the Town does not

approve of their choice of action and we oppose the planned realignment in its present format and that the town is in favour of the Highway 791 portion of the report but is opposed to the Highway 1, and Highway 1A portion of the report.

CARRIED:

3. Committee Appointments (Policing Advisory & CCRRB)

**11.070.014
042-11**

Moved by Councillor Leighton that Lori Brookhouse, Narmail Singh Chana, Dale Peters, Darcy Mazurat and Munish Aheer be appointed to the Policing Advisory Committee, and that Isaac Achal be appointed to the Chestermere Conrich Regional Recreation Board.

CARRIED:

4. Doug Colton – Interest Charges

**61.070.063
043-11**

Moved by Councillor Bergen that Council instruct the Director of Finance to notify Mr. Colton his interest rate will remain at 1.5% per month on the outstanding balance.

CARRIED:

5. Census 2011

**11.055.011
044-11**

Moved by Councillor Davies that Council direct Administration to conduct a census from May 14 to June 6, 2011 and declare Saturday, May 14, 2011 as the official census date in Chestermere.

CARRIED:

6. Policy #146 – Employment Related Legal Proceedings and Policy #801 – Council Related Legal Proceedings

**11.070.038
045-11**

Moved by Councillor Hutchison that Policy #146, being the Employment Related Legal Proceedings Policy, be adopted as amended and inserted into the Town's Policy Handbook, and that Policy #801, being the Council Related Legal Proceedings Policy, be adopted as amended and inserted into the Town's Policy Handbook.

CARRIED:

F. BYLAWS

G. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Melcor, Chestermere Fire Station 59 Gym Contribution, 10/17/11
2. Town of Strathmore, Office of the Mayor, Strathmore

Centennial Celebrations 01/19/11

**11.012.002
046-11**

Moved by Councillor Bergen that Information Item G1 and G2 be accepted as information.

CARRIED:

H. INFORMATION / MINUTES TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED

1. Council Calendar – February 2011
2. Emergency Management Minutes, 01/10/11 (emailed)
3. CF Wild Rose meeting minutes, 01/06/11 (emailed)
4. AUMA/AMSC News for Council & CAOs January 12, 19, 26, 2011 (emailed)
5. FCM News, 01/17/11, 01/26/11 (emailed)
6. Library Board Minutes, 01/19/11 (emailed)
7. Emergency Management Minutes, 01/24/11 (emailed)
8. Veteran Affairs Canada (emailed)

**11.013.002
047-11**

Moved by Councillor Hutchison that Information Items H1, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6, H7, H8 be accepted as information.

CARRIED:

I. REPORTS

A. Directors & Staff Reports

1. Spray Park Project Update – Alan Boucher, Municipal Planner
2. Administration Department Report, January 2011 – Director Anderson (emailed)
3. Enforcement Department Report, January 2011, Community Peace Officer Lamb (emailed)
4. Public Works Department – Director Termeer – Snow plow trucks out all night & throughout day. Re-posting the Parks Supervisor job.

B. Councillor's Reports

1. Councillor Steeves

- Library board – The board is currently working on finding a new director. In the meantime, Assistant Director Debbie is filling in. A 2010 highlight for the library was 24.43 percent growth in membership.
- CRP – Attended the Thursday evening session in Canmore with Mayor Matthews and CAO Terry Hurlbut. At that time the provincial response was discussed. Further discussion

revolved around engaging our rural neighbours and inviting them back to the table.

- Community Services – attended an all day planning session.
- MPC - attended a meeting with Melcor and Slokkar regarding an upcoming application. Feedback was provided. Further meeting to follow.
- Assisted Mayor Matthews in giving a tour of town hall, to the local Brownies group.
- Attended the Duck's Unlimited event – congratulation to organizing committee and Council Davies on another successful event.

2. Councillor Johnson

- The fire hall is open and operational as of 09:30 Tuesday February 1, 2011, all is well there

3. Councillor Leighton

- MPC - attended a meeting with Melcor and Slokkar regarding an upcoming application. Feedback was provided. Further meeting to follow.
- Historical Meeting – missed
- Urban Beautification – missed
- Took numerous calls and emails from residents regarding speed tickets and snow removal

4. Councillor Hutchison

- Attended Policing Committee Interviews
- Attended Cenotaph Advisory Committee meeting, submitted letter from Veteran Affairs Canada to Council to be shared as information (listed as Item H8)

5. Councillor Davies

- Attended Health & Wellness Advisory committee meeting
- Attended Ducks Unlimited fundraiser
- Informal meeting with Melcor and Slokkar in regards to their upcoming applications
- Requested a status update on any potential hotels coming to town

6. Deputy Mayor Bergen

- Wanted to say thanks for everyone's support regarding my injury and patience while I have been healing up. A special thanks to the local fire department who did great work looking after me after I hurt myself
- Attended a full day strategic planning session for Community Services. Some valuable direction on where the town is headed in this area was achieved
- Had a few meetings with Mayor Matthews to keep myself up to date about what has been going on
- Had a presentation for a potential funder for the Spray Park
- Attended Winterfest and the YELL Polar Bear Dip. Yell was able to raise more than a thousand dollars and they were noted in the local press and on Global TV. Well done.
- Attended an informal planning commission meeting looking at the land behind Safeway and what some of the options for it might be
- Attended Mocha Monday at Starbucks with Mayor Matthews and CAO Hurlbut today

7. Mayor Matthews

- Had a meeting with Federal Member of Parliament and Chestermere resident Deepak Obrahi regarding the 17th Ave transit study proposed by Susan Nelson. Chestermere has not been consulted on all aspects of this study yet and therefore will continue to support transit development through the CRP Green Trip proposal to the Province.
- Had a CRP leadership retreat with CAO Hurlbut and Councillor Steeves where the letter from the Province regarding the CMP was discussed. This letter was provided to Council along with other supporting documentation. The CRP, through the transition team, is planning to interact with the rural municipalities who opted out in June of last year to see what concerns are and if common ground can be reached to bring everyone back together in the region. Because I am part of the transition team, as Vice-Chair of the CRP, I will update Council as to the progress being made as time goes on.
- Attended a STARS fundraising event with Darryl Kong and Brian H. of ATCO where I had an opportunity to chat with Minister Lindsay Blakett
- Attended a disaster services meeting where Strathmore FD presented learnings from latest opening of their emergency operations centre

- Attended the Reeve's task force report presentation at Rocky View County. A copy of this report is available to Council in my office but essentially Stan Church's presentation revealed that high density was not supported and that residents wanted to be more involved with the planning processes as well as having their input listened to in the developments close to their homes.
- Provided a story to the attendees of Literacy Day in the Parent Link Centre
- Attended the CEP awards on behalf of the Town at the Palliser. Both of Chestermere's school boards were represented by their Trustees as this is a very important night for all.
- Had an opportunity over dinner to discuss dredging as well as Chestermere's need for more commercial with the President of Conoco Phillips while attending the CEP awards
- Attended two CUI steering committee meeting where the unanimous shareholders agreement is being finalized before being brought to Council for input
- Attended a CRP meeting at the City of Calgary regarding water along with Wheatland County as well as a transition meeting to discuss CMP issues
- Attended a strategic planning session facilitated by former Mayor Dave Mikkelsen. Some very useful directions emerged for the community services committee as a result and they will be working on those initiatives in the upcoming months
- Attended a prep. meeting regarding outstanding lake front Town properties. Fencing is being erected for liability, some requests are coming forward regarding the license agreement from banks with foreclosures and the outstanding issues are expected to be wrapped up in the next two weeks
- Attended a Health Committee meeting and met the three new members of that committee. Things seem to be progressing well on the part of the developer and the committee is anxious to start work on it's retention program as well as aiding the PCN network in providing ideas for their surplus spending for 2011
- Attended a meeting with WestCreek Developments and United representatives as well as Stantec's Rick Cardiff whom is presenting concerns regarding the Storm Management Study
- Councillor Steeves and I gave the Chestermere Brownies a tour of Town Hall. Thanks to Patty Sproule for interrupting

her night's work for a brief interlude with that group as well!

- Met with former Mayor, Linda Bruce of Airdrie regarding their 2015 Summer Games application. That group is looking for an area to host the triathlon for the Summer Games and they would love to have it in Chestermere. I'll be looking for a letter of support for their bid under new business.
- Attended a meeting with Melcor and Slokkar regarding an upcoming application to the MPC. Comments on that meeting have been provided to the MPC and Project Planner, Benazir Thaha for information.
- Attended a conference call with Terry Hurlbut and Tracy Anderson with a company that provides strategic planning. I was very impressed with their methods and speed with which they seem to come to a plan. Terry will provide more details in the future.
- Attended the Ducks Unlimited banquet held in Chestermere that Councillor Davies has brought to us every year for the past ten. While we didn't win anything I was happy to see all of the great volunteers from our community working hard at this event and we hope to see some DU involvement with the Lake in the future
- Attended an informal meeting with Library staff regarding commonly asked questions in the community
- Participated in Policing Committee interviews along with Don Roberts and Councillor Hutchison. Thank you to all the applicants and to Tammy Botsford for keeping the process rolling so smoothly!
- Tim Horton's would like to generously donate some bbq's (the small ones used in picnic areas) along with some picnic tables to our lakefront parks in order to promote better use of them for families. Thank you to Andrew Marriott for being such a fabulous corporate community supporter and I would appreciate Council's feedback on this idea so we can appropriately direct staff on this project.
- Spoke/e-mailed with various residents regarding concerns or questions
- Attended Mocha Monday with Deputy Mayor Bergen and CAO Hurlbut at Starbucks today.

J. QUESTION PERIOD

K. IN CAMERA

L. NEW BUSINESS**1. Alberta Lake Management Society Annual Conference, September 30 & October 1, 2011****40.070.005
048-11**

Moved by Councillor Davies that Council approve the Town partner with Alberta Lake Management Society Annual Conference to be held September 30, October 1, 2011 at the Chestermere Recreational Centre and that the Town pay for the room rental at the Recreational Centre for the two-day conference.

CARRIED:**2. Anniversary Park, Cenotaph Location****72.070.005
049-11**

Moved by Councillor Hutchison that Anniversary Park be designated as the official location for the town Cenotaph.

CARRIED:**3. 429 East Chestermere Drive and 760 West Chestermere Drive – Lakefront Land Purchase Prices****69.040.001
050-11**

Moved by Mayor Matthews that Council approve the proposed pricing change of 429 East Chestermere Drive and 760 West Chestermere Drive to be set at \$10.64 per square foot plus administrative fees plus the GST.

CARRIED:**4. Shepard Regional Drainage Plan****37.070.002
051.11**

Moved by Councillor Bergen that Council formally oppose the draft of the Shepard Regional Drainage Plan as submitted and formally request that the Town of Chestermere's comments be taken into consideration.

CARRIED:**M. READING FILE**

1. The Alberta Order of Excellence, Nominations, January 6, 2011, Office of the Lieutenant Governor
2. The Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta, 01/11/11
3. Shen Yun Performing Arts 2011 World Tour
4. Rocky View County, Office of the Reeve – Report of the Reeve's Task Force on Growth Planning, 01/27/11

N. ADJOURNMENT

11.016.003
052-11

Moved by Councillor Davies that the meeting adjourn at
2:42 p.m.

CARRIED:

Mayor Patricia Matthews

Terry Hurlbut, CAO