



CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF POUCE COUPE

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Minutes of Regular Council Meeting May 4, 2009 Held in the Village Council Chambers

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Lyman Clark
Councillor Ken Drover
Councillor Laura Hamann
Councillor Peter Kut
Councillor Red Merrick

Peter Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer

GALLERY: Gilbert Gunter

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded, THAT
the Agenda be adjusted so that item 11a be heard after item 9a, AND THAT the agenda
be approved as amended. **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 20, 2009.

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded, THAT
the Minutes for the Regular Council meeting of April 20, 2009 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

b) Minutes of the New Fire Hall Committee Meeting of April 23, 2009.

MOVED by Councillor Merrick and seconded, THAT
the Minutes of the New Fire Hall Committee Meeting of April 23 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

4. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS – NIL

5. PUBLIC HEARING – NIL

6. DELEGATIONS – NIL

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – NIL

8. CORRESPONDENCE

a) PRRD Re: Donation Request for Annual Golf Tournament.

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT
Council donate 4 T-shirts and 4 coffee mugs to the Peace River Regional District for their
Annual Golf Tournament to be held on June 5, 2009. **CARRIED**

- b) Canadian Association of Petroleum Products Re: Pouce Coupe Elementary *Energy in Action* Activities, 11:45 a.m., May 14, 2009.

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT

Any Council member available attend the CAPP *Energy in Action* Activities on May 14, 2009 at the Pouce Coupe Elementary School, and THAT any expenses come from the Council meetings account. **CARRIED**

Mayor Clark cannot attend as he is in PRRD meetings that day. Councillors Merrick, Drover, and Kut all expressed an interest in attending, and requested to be reminded.

9. RESOLUTIONS

- a) Accounts Payable Report, April 30, 2009, \$21,480.50.

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT

Council approves the Accounts Payable Report from March 12, 2009 in the amount of \$21,480.50. **CARRIED**

11. a) Pouce Park Electrical Service Proposals

- Report of CAO

Mayor Clark explained that he toured the Park with Mr. Hamilton and determined that at a \$16/night pad rental, assuming a full park, the payback for the money invested in the electrical to the park would only be a couple of years. The 3 phase power will cost less to operate compared to the single phase power supply.

Councillor Kut expressed concern that more upkeep was required in other areas of the Park such as residence and cookhouse.

The CAO advised that any large items are to be budgeted and planned for in the capital budget during the planning process.

Councillor Merrick agreed that 3 phase power was required in this project.

The CAO pointed out that we have a \$17,000 grant to complete this project.

MOVED by Councillor Drover and seconded THAT

Council approves the proposal from Wayne Swift Electrical to install power to eleven more sites at the Pouce Park at a cost of \$20,459 plus GST, and THAT the funding comes from the 2009 Capital Budget.

OPPOSED Councillor Hamann

OPPOSED Councillor Kut

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS

- a) Bylaw # 925, 2009 Respecting the 2009-2013 Financial Plan, Final Reading.

As Council has discussed and agreed, there is \$20,000 moved from the Streets and Lanes reserve account to the Pouce Park capital account. Also, there is \$100,000 moved from the Fire Hall capital budget to the Streets and Lanes reserve account.

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT

Council adopts the final reading of Bylaw # 925, 2009, Respecting the 2009-2013 Financial Plan. **CARRIED**

- b) Bylaw # 926, 2009 Respecting the 2009 Tax Rates, Final Reading.

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT

Council adopts the final reading of Bylaw # 925, 2009, Respecting the 2009 Tax Rates. **CARRIED**

11. REPORTS

- b) Fire Hall Proposals Result
 - Report of CAO

MOVED by Councillor Kut and seconded THAT

Council enters into an agreement with Hegge Construction of Dawson Creek to complete the removal of the old Fire Hall and construction of a new Fire Hall at a cost not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$1,200,000, and THAT those funds come from the 2009 Capital Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED

Council had a discussion on the cost of the project. Council **DIRECTED** Administration to advise Council of any extra cost past the quoted price of \$1,054,000.

MOVED by Councillor Drover and seconded THAT

Council enters into an agreement with Hegge Construction of Dawson Creek to complete the removal of the old Fire Hall and construction of a new Fire Hall at a cost not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$1,100,000, and THAT those funds come from the 2009 Capital Budget.

OPPOSED Councillor Hamann

CARRIED

Council **DIRECTED** Administration to make the appropriate changes to the budget.

- c) Department of Public Works Progress Report
 - Report of Public Works Supervisor, Harry HamiltonAdditionally, the cement pad layout has been put in place at Pouce Park. We are in the process of purchasing a sea can to store the Fire Hall equipment.
- d) Councillor Drover Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Drover had nothing to report at this time.
- e) Councillor Merrick Portfolio Report – Verbal
The Museum was grateful for the financial contribution to their operation.
- f) Councillor Kut Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Kut noted that we could have used our new dump truck on the Pederson job one day last week. Councillor Kut said that we should have the grass burnt in areas on the Village to reduce the fire risk.
The CAO replied that the DPW crew was busy building new stairs in the shop and pouring the cement pad at Pouce Park when the request for the truck came in. We will use our resources on the job with notice, and Mr. Nordli and Mr. Hamilton are aware of this arrangement. Also, the CAO spoke to the Fire Chief and he did not support the grass burning option, as it adds nitrogen to the soil, and the next generation of grass comes back stronger. Councillor Kut noted that the volunteer Firefighters did a good job fighting a couple of different grass fires this past weekend.
- g) Councillor Hamann Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Hamann had nothing to report at this time.
- h) Mayor Clark Portfolio Report – Verbal
Mayor Clark attended a PRRD meeting on April 30. AltaGas plans on bringing truckloads of supplies for the new wind farm via Highway 49, bypassing Pouce Coupe.

We also met with the Highways department representatives, who will start work on the Bissette Bridge on July 2, 2009. The new Park entrance will have a frontage road.

12. REPORT OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- Progress Report to April 29, 2009.

Accepted as presented by consensus of Council.

13. QUESTION PERIOD

Mr. Gunter asked Council some questions regarding his new subdivision. Mr. Gunter said that he already has installed a 6" sewer line, as according to flow rates that would handle the load, so the line does not have to be 8". He noted that the 6" line will handle the requirement of the subdivision. The CAO replied that the bylaw states that a sewer main must be 8". Council suggested that if Mr. Gunter could get an engineer's stamp of approval on the works that they may consider a variance.

The CAO noted that any plans must be approved by the Approving Officer, which is the CAO. If the applicant does not agree with the Approving Officer, then they can go to Council and request a variance.

14. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Building Canada Fund Application Report – Water Loop.

MOVED by Councillor Kut and seconded THAT

Council approves the Building Canada Fund Water Loop Grant Application, and THAT Council commits to the project by budgeting the appropriate share of funds in the 2009 Capital Budget to support the project. **CARRIED**

MOVED by Councillor Kut and seconded THAT

The meeting proceed past 9 pm as required. **CARRIED**

- b) Building Canada Fund Application Report – Water Reservoir.

MOVED by Councillor Kut and seconded THAT

Council approves the Building Canada Fund Water Reservoir Grant Application, and THAT Council will commit to the project by budgeting the appropriate share of funds in the 2010 Capital Budget to support the project. **CARRIED**

- c) Building Canada Fund Application Report – Fire Hall

MOVED by Councillor Kut and seconded THAT

Council approves the Building Canada Fund Fire Hall Grant, and THAT Council commits \$1.2 million in the 2009 Capital Budget to removing the old Fire Hall and building a new Fire Hall for the Village of Pouce Coupe and Region. **CARRIED**

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Chairperson
Mayor Lyman Clark

Recorder
Chief Administrative Officer
Peter Thomas

CERTIFIED a true copy of the Minutes of the Corporation of the Village of Pouce Coupe from a meeting held in Council Chambers, Pouce Coupe, B.C.