

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF OYEN WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JUNE 18, 2018 AT 7:00 PM

PRESENT

Doug Jones	Mayor
Stacey Wiechnik	Deputy Mayor
Blake Hertz	Councillor
Ed Hogan	Councillor
Jack Hauck	Councillor
Joseph Lazzari	Councillor
James Walker	Councillor

ATTENDING

Debbie Kovitch, Interim CAO, Tanya Greenan, Recording Secretary, Lee Tucker, Recreation Director.

DELEGATIONS

Todd Pawsey – UCP Candidate
Vernon Johnston

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik to approve the agenda with the addition of the following items:

- 6) (h) – Cell Phone Policy**
- 6) (i) - Appointment to Part 9 Company**

CARRIED.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that the Council of the Town of Oyen adopt the minutes of the regular Council meeting of May 9, 2018 as presented.

CARRIED.

SPECIAL MEETING

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan that the minutes of the Special Council meeting of the Town of Oyen held on May 30, 2018, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

Discussion took place with regard to the purpose of the consent agenda. It was agreed to look into and if not necessary, to rescind motion to utilize this agenda.

DELEGATIONS:

**TODD PAWSLEY
UCP CANDIDATE**

Mr. Todd Pawsley was in attendance to introduce himself and seek support from the Town for the UCP Candidate to represent the Drumheller-Stettler constituency in 2019.

**VERNON
JOHNSTON**

Mr. Vernon Johnston reviewed and discussed with Council the use and access to 20 acres of land east of Highway 41 within the Town of Oyen that he is proposing to purchase. He is requesting that the Town of Oyen assist in approaching Alberta Transportation to make improvements to the intersection of 1st Street East and Highway 41 and have the access moved to align with 1st Avenue East (entrance to Oyen). Council thanked Mr. Vernon for his presentation and will discuss further under New Business – Letter of Request from Jerome Scory.

Mayor

Interim CAO

**RECREATION
DIRECTOR
REPORT**

Lee Tucker, Recreation Director, reviewed his written report with Council. Mr. Tucker expressed his concerns with regard to the incidents on Social Media.

**PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT**

Mike Potter, Town Foreman, was unable to attend Council meeting. Council reviewed and discussed his written report.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walker that the Council of the Town of Oyen accepts for information, the Recreation Director's and Town Foreman's reports as presented.

CARRIED.

**PROJECTS
MANAGER/
INTERIM CAO
REPORT**

The Interim CAO provided a written report with verbal updates to Council.

Deputy Mayor Wiechnik requested to be excused from Council meeting at 8:35PM.

Deputy Mayor Wiechnik returned to meeting at 8:38 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

JEROME SCORY

A letter was received from Mr. Jerome Scory requesting that the Town of Oyen approach Alberta Transportation to make improvements to the Intersection of 1st Street East & Highway 41 and move access to align with 1st Avenue East of Highway 41.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that the Interim CAO contact Alberta Transportation to investigate the possibilities of realignment of the intersection.

CARRIED.

**OYEN LOGISTICS
PARK PROJECT-
CARES GRANT**

The Interim CAO presented a Request for Decision (RFD) for the Town of Oyen to apply for the Community & Regional Economic Support (CARES) grant for the Oyen Logistics Park Project in the amount of \$250,000.00 with the Town matching costs of \$62,500.00 and Special Special Areas matching \$62,500.00.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Lazzari that the Council of the Town of Oyen approve of applying under the CARES program for the Oyen Logistics Park Project.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan that the Town of Oyen's matching costs in the amount \$62,500.00 be placed in the Town of Oyen's 2019 budget.

CARRIED.

**OYEN & DISTRICT
HISTORICAL SOC.**

The Council of the Town of Oyen reviewed the Oyen & District Historical Society's Financial Statement and discussed their request from the May 9, 2018, Council meeting.

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that the Council of the Town of Oyen approve of financial support to the Oyen & District Historical Society for the 1/3 of \$16,000.00 for the painting of the exterior of the Ukrainian Catholic Church.

CARRIED.

Mayor

Interim CAO

**GARBAGE
CONTRACT**

Council reviewed and discussed the options for garbage pickup within the Town of Oyen and with the present garbage contract expiring June 30, 2018, gives a short time frame to investigate it further.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that Brent Clampitt and Jason Hagan, O/A Waste Management be approached to extend the garbage pick-up contract for one (1) year.

CARRIED.

**DEVELOPMENT
OFFICER**

RESOLUTION by Deputy Major Wiechnik that the Council of the Town of Oyen appoint Debbie Kovitch, Interim CAO, as the Town of Oyen Development Officer.

CARRIED.

**DEVELOPMENT
PERMIT – SA'S**

A letter was received from Special Areas Municipal Planning Commission regarding a development permit application received from TransCanada Keystone GP LTD. for the proposed construction of a pump station located on the NE 20-27-04-W4 and is requesting for the Town's comments and/or recommendations.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hertz that the Council of the Town of Oyen have no comments and/or recommendations with regard to the Development Permit from TransCanada Keystone GP Ltd.

CARRIED.

**CELL PHONE
POLICY**

Mayor Jones brought forward policy on cell phone expenses, etc. It was agreed to forward to the Personnel Committee

PART 9 COMPANY

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck to appoint Debbie Kovitch, Interim CAO (to replace Charmain Snell, CAO) as one of the Town of Oyen representatives to the Special Areas & Oyen Development Corporation (Part 9 Company).

CARRIED.

OYEN FIRE DEPT.

An Application for Donation was received from the Oyen Volunteer Fire Dept. to waive the cost of rent on the Ball Diamonds & Food booth facility to the value of \$1,500.00, for their fundraising Baseball event held on July 6, 7, & 8, 2018.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan that the Town of Oyen donate the cost for rent on the ball diamonds and food booth facility to the value of \$1,500.00 for the Oyen Volunteer Fire Dept. fundraiser.

CARRIED.

Councillor Hertz abstained from voting due to a possible conflict of interest.

**COUNCIL
REPORTS**

Mayor and Council submitted verbal reports on activities and meetings attended since the May 9, 2018, regular Council meeting.

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that Council accept for information the verbal Council reports received on activities and meetings that were attended since the May 9, 2018, regular Council meeting.

CARRIED.

Mayor

Interim CAO

IN CAMERA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hertz that the Council of the Town of Oyen go in-camera at 10:00 PM.

CARRIED.

OUT-OF-CAMERA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan that the Council of the Town of Oyen go out-of-camera at 10:10 PM.

CARRIED.

**BULLING IN
PUBLIC PLACES
BY-LAW**

Council instructed the Interim CAO to investigate if the Town of Oyen has a Bulling in Public Places By-Law and if so, to review and provide a copy for Council member.

IN CAMERA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walker that the Council of the Town of Oyen go in-camera to discuss matters in regards to labour as per Section 17 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection Act (FOIP)* at 10:12 PM.

CARRIED.

OUT-OF-CAMERA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that the Council of the Town of Oyen go out-of-camera at 10:45 PM.

CARRIED.

**C. SNELL –
SETTLEMENT**

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hertz that the Council of the Town of Oyen approve of Town Lawyer's, Smith & Hersey, recommendation to pay Charmain Snell for settlement the amount of \$37,759.38 plus 3.8 months of Health Care and Pension Benefits, subject to the signing of a full release of the Town of Oyen.

CARRIED.

**OVERTIME
VENTURES
PARKING LOT**

Mayor Jones updated and discussed with Council the cost sharing options for Option 2. All owners have not as yet been approached.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that the Council meeting be adjourned at 11:10 pm.

CARRIED.

Mayor

Interim CAO