A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF OYEN
WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON NOVEMBER 5, 2018
AT 7:00 PM

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

ABSENT
Joseph Lazzari     Councillor

ATTENDING
Debbie Kovitch; Interim CAO, Tanya Greenan; Recording Secretary,
Lee Tucker; Recreation Director, Quinton Rowland; Public Works
Representative.

DELEGATIONS
Murray Beaumont – Railyard Project Concerns

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

AGENDA
RESOLUTION by Councillor Walker to approve agenda governing the
regular Council meeting of November 5, 2018, with the addition of the
following items under New Business:

7. f) Murray Beaumont – Railyard Project Concerns
7. g) John Van Otterloo – Letter of Questions/concerns
7. h) Absence of Councillor Lazzari

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that Council approve the
minutes of the Organizational Meeting held on October 10, 2018 as
presented.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan that the Council of the Town of Oyen
approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on October 10,
2018 as presented.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walker that the Council of the Town of Oyen
approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on October 19,
2018 as presented.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

CAO/PUBLIC WORKS RECRUITMENT
Council agreed to move to discuss & review after Unfinished Business
on Agenda.

DELEGATIONS:
Murray Beaumont Railyard Project
Mr. Beaumont’s letter is read by Mayor Jones, which outlines Mr.
Beaumont’s concerns of noise, dust and lower property value created by
the construction of the railyard project. Mr. Beaumont requests that the
Town of Oyen work towards finding a solution to these issues as soon as possible.

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Mayor

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Interim CAO
LETTER OF CONCERNS

A Letter of concerns and questions were received from Mr. John Van Otterloo and concerned citizens of the Town of Oyen. Mayor Jones together with Council members reviewed and discussed. Mayor Jones thanked Mr. Otterloo for bringing forward their concerns.

RECREATION REPORT

Lee Tucker, Recreation Director, reviewed and discussed his written report with Council.

P/W’S & INTERIM CAO REPORT

Interim CAO, Debbie Kovitch provided a written Public Works and Interim CAO report with verbal updates. Quinton Rowland, Public Works, was in attendance for Council’s inquiries and/or questions.

RESOLUTION

by Councillor Hogan that the Council of the Town of Oyen accept for information the reports of Interim CAO/Project Manager & Public Works submitted by Interim CAO, Debbie Kovitch and the Recreation Director; Lee Tucker, as presented.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

PROPOSED SUBDIVISION

Letter received and a copy of tentative plan from Palliser Regional Commission RE: Proposed subdivision and consolidation of Blk.C, Plan 135FT & Part of SW ¼ Sec. 3-28-4-W4. Palliser requests that any comments and/or recommendations be forwarded to them.

RICHARD WOODS

Letter received from Mr. Woods expressing his concerns and requesting the Town of Oyen proceed with the demolition of the abandoned hotel located next to the Ace Hardware building before it collapses and causes damage to his property. If damages occur, he will hold the Town liable.

Discussion took place and the Interim CAO Kovitch was instructed to investigate.

RED DEER RIVER WATERSHED

A letter was received from the Red Deer River Watershed Alliance requesting financial support of .50 per capita.

Decision to support will be tabled until Councilor Lazzari, is in attendance to advise Council.

FARM SAFETY

A letter was received from Farm Safety Centre requesting financial support for the delivery of Safety Smarts program to rural children.

RESOLUTION by Councilor Hertz to approve of supporting the Safety Smarts Program in the amount of $153.30.

CARRIED

TRANSCANADA CORPORATION

Email sent notifying Mayor and Council that the TransCanada Corp. Public Affairs will be visiting Oyen on November 27th, between 2 and 4pm to present an information session about their supply chain process of working with Prime and Local Contractors on their projects and Activities. It was also requested that they meet with Mayor and Council before the info. session to provide a KXL Project update.

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Mayor

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Interim CAO
RESOLUTION by Councillor Walker that the Council of the Town of Oyen approve of the absence of Councillor Lazzari. CARRIED

COUNCIL REPORTS
Mayor and Council submitted verbal reports on activities and meetings attended since the October 10, 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 October 10, 2018, regular Council meeting. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE
RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Wiechnik that the Council of the Town of Oyen accept the list of correspondence as presented. CARRIED.

RECESS
Mayor Jones called for a recess of the regular Council meeting at 8:48 PM.

RECONVENE
Mayor Jones called for the regular Council meeting to resume at 8:55 PM.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
FENCE REMOVAL
Progress is delayed due to an understaffed Public Works Department.

PRAIRIE ROSE
November 13th or 14th, 2018, to walk through Prairie Rose School Division building. Council members to notify date when attend.

CAO/PUBLIC WORKS RECRUITMENT
RESOLUTION by Councillor Hertz that the Council of the Town of Oyen go in camera at 9:00 PM. CARRIED.

IN CAMERA
RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that the Council of the Town of Oyen come out of camera at 9:20 PM. CARRIED.

OUT OF CAMERA
RESOLUTION by Councillor Hogan to extend the deadline to November 16, 2018, to receive applications for the position of Town of Oyen Public Works Foreman. CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN
RESOLUTION by Councillor Hauck that the Council meeting be adjourned at 9:30 PM. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor

Interim CAO