

**MUNICIPALITY OF CROWSNEST PASS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2012**

A regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, February 7, 2012.

PRESENT: **MAYOR:** Bruce Decoux

COUNCILLORS: Siegbert Gail, Jerry Lonsbury, Larry Mitchell,
Emile Saindon, Andrew Saje

Absent: Councillor Brian Gallant

Also present:

Chief Administrative Officer
Director of Finance & Corporate
Services

Myron Thompson
Marion Vanoni

Director of Planning, Engineering,
& Operations

Frank Besinger

Recording Secretary

Carolee Ison

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Decoux called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No Public Hearings were held.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Additions:

Other Business

- a) Rum Runner Days Committee Discussion

Change:

Delegations

- a) Mr. Merlin MacNaughton, Stakeholder Relations Manager, Fortis Alberta Inc.
- b) Mr. John Grove , Municipal and Community Relations Manager, South, AltaLink

M#6405-12: Councillor Saindon moved to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 24, 2012

Noted that “*Minutes*” is not indicated in the title portion of the minute document.

Administration confirmed that in reference to the *2012 Museum Funding* agenda item, the letter that will be accompanying the Crowsnest Museum’s grant request will clearly indicate the requirements.

M#6406-12: Councillor Gail moved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 24, 2012 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

Myron Thompson, Chief Administration Officer, advised that the FortisAlberta and AltaLink presentations were requested as follow-up in reference to the concerns of Council and Administration to the numerous power outages in late 2011.

FortisAlberta

Mr. Merlin MacNaughton, Stakeholder Relations Manager, Mr. Todd Dettling, Regional Director South Operations, and Mr. Dave Hunka, Manager of Customer Relations were in attendance as representatives of FortisAlberta.

Mr. Todd Dettling’s presentation included:

- A summary of FortisAlberta’s operations
- A review of the timeline of events from October 17 to December 6, 2011 when power outages were experienced in the Municipality
- 2012 initiatives planned for the Crowsnest Pass to further strengthen electrical reliability
- During initiatives and activities to improve reliability, FortisAlberta will try to minimize power outages; Activities that require power outages will be planned and of limited time
- Apologized for cycling customer calls back to the Municipal Office from the FortisAlberta Call Centre, and have rectified the situation by increasing communication when experiencing an anomaly of an increase in the volume of customer calls
- Believe there is benefit and opportunity for more discussion between FortisAlberta and the Municipality on the activities that have occurred in order to improve response to situations that may occur in the future
- Mr. Dettling is planning to have the FortisAlberta area foreman and area manager meet with the Municipal Electrical Department

DELEGATIONS - Continued

Mr. John Grove, Municipal and Community Relations Manager, South, AltaLink

Mr. John Grove's presentation included:

- A summary of AltaLink's operations
- Addressed the power outage related events that AltaLink was involved with on October 17, November 29, and December 1, 2011
- Reviewed rerouting and rebuilding of AltaLink's transmission lines through the valley
- During the rebuild of two portions of the transmission line and maintenance on the entire line from Pincher Creek to Coleman, from approximately the end of February to the end of August 2012, there will be intermittent times when the line will be out of service and the Municipality will be solely dependant on the BC Hydro feed

ADMINISTRATIVE AND AGENCY REPORTS

Alberta SouthWest – Country Connection Initiative

Myron Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer, provided and reviewed a written report in reference to Alberta SouthWest's Country Connection Project. The report will be maintained on file.

The Chief Administration Officer confirmed that all sponsorship opportunities will be explored.

M#6407-12: Councillor Lonsbury moved that Council formally approves the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass' participation in application for the "Country Connections" project, submitted on behalf of Alberta SouthWest by the Town of Pincher Creek under the Regional Collaboration program offered by Municipal Affairs; and further that the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass, a participant, agrees to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement, governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No Business Arising From the Minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Carol Thibert, Recreation and Culture Program Manager, City of Lethbridge/SARA Games Chair – Invitation to bid on the 2013 or 2014 Southern Alberta Summer Games

M#6408-12: Councillor Lonsbury moved to table the letter from Carol Thibert, Recreation and Culture Program Manager, City of Lethbridge/SARA Games Chair inviting communities to bid on the 2013 or 2014 Southern Alberta Summer Games.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Minutes of the January 30, 2012 Rum Runner Days Committee Meeting

#6409-12: Councillor Mitchell moved that the minutes of the January 30, 2012 Rum Runner Days Committee Meeting be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of the January 24, 2012 Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

6410-12: Councillor Gail moved that the minutes of the January 24, 2012 Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Report to Municipal Council from Aggie Mitchell, Chair of the Police Advisory Committee

#6411-12: Councillor Mitchell moved that the report from Aggie Mitchell, Chair of the Police Advisory Committee, be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of the Pass Powderkeg Ski Society Board

#6412-12: Councillor Saje moved that the minutes of the February 23, 2011, April 6, 2011, and January 11, 2012 Pass Powderkeg Ski Society Board Meetings be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS - Continued

Minutes of the Culture and Recreation Board

#6413-12: Councillor Saindon moved that the minutes of the November 28, 2011 and December 12, 2011 Culture and Recreation Board Meetings be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of the Agriculture Service Board

#6414-12: Councillor Mitchell moved that the minutes of the December 14, 2011 and December 20, 2011 Agriculture Service Board Meetings be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of the Family and Community Support Services Board

#6415-12: Councillor Lonsbury moved that the minutes of the June 22, 2011, September 28, 2011, November 7, 2011, November 30, 2011, and December 7, 2011 Family and Community Support Services Board Meetings be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Myron Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer, confirmed a standardized format will be developed for presenting Committee minutes to Council.

BYLAWS

Bylaw 837, 2012 – A Borrowing Bylaw – First Reading

M#-6416-12: Councillor Mitchell moved that Council give first reading to Bylaw 837, 2012 – A Borrowing Bylaw for the purpose of providing adequate cash flows for the first seven months of 2012 as reviewed by the Governance and Priorities Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were presented.

OTHER BUSINESS

Rum Runner Days Committee Discussion

Mr. Emile Saindon, Chairperson of the Rum Runner Days Committee, was in attendance to provide an update on the Rum Runner Days and Thunder in the Valley events. Mr. Saindon advised that the Rum Runner Days Committee is providing a recommendation to continue with the annual Rum Runner Days weekend and Thunder in the Valley provided that funding, community support, enhanced policing and traffic changes are implemented.

The Chief Administrative Officer identified three main components to be reviewed by the Rum Runner Days Committee, Council and Administration:

- Risk and liability
 - It is necessary to assess if the Municipality's insurance is sufficient
 - A *Fireworks Bylaw* is in development
 - The RCMP have offered to assist with an *Operational Plan Assessment*
 - The Alberta Emergency Management Agency have a *Mass Gathering Planning* document in development and have offered their assistance
 - Permits need to be established
 - A *Special Events Bylaw* needs to be established
- Financial cost to the community
- Economic benefit to the community

Mr. Thompson requested additional time to provide further information to Council.

M#-6417-12: Councillor Saje moved that the Council supports the Rum Runner Days Committee planning for the Rum Runner Days weekend event, with the involvement of the RCMP, CPR and other relevant agencies and Administration representatives, provided that the Rum Runner Days Committee provides Administration with a detailed plan which:

1. Addresses public safety
2. Provides a detailed financial plan.

Administration shall then provide a recommendation to Council relative to the acceptability of the planning and Council shall determine whether to proceed, defer or cancel all of or specific events associated with the Rum Runner Days event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS

Councillor Gail

- Culture and Recreation Board Stakeholders Meetings

Councillor Lonsbury

- Family and Community Support Services Meeting
- Culture and Recreation Board Stakeholders Meetings

Councillor Saindon

- Rum Runner Days Meeting
- Budget Meeting

Councillor Mitchell

- Agriculture Service Board Annual Meeting
- Kimberley Old Time Accordion Competition retires in 2013 – Suggested this may be an opportunity for the Crowsnest Pass
- Oldman River Watershed Meeting
- Subdivision and Development Authority Meeting
- Meeting with Minister Berger

Councillor Saje

- Subdivision and Development Authority Meeting
- Budget Meeting
- Small Town Saturday Night

Mayor Decoux

- Meeting with Minister Berger
- Alberta SouthWest meeting with government officials and organizations
- Mount Royal University's "Business Retention and Expansion Project"
- Alberta SouthWest GPS and Wi-Fi Committee
- Alberta Health Services Planning Session
- Teck Communities of Interest Advisory Panel
- Mayors' Meeting
- Oldman Watershed Document
- Meeting with representative of Teck
- Meetings with citizens and community groups

PUBLIC INPUT

No Public Input was provided.

IN CAMERA

M#6418-12: Councillor Gail moved to go In Camera at 9:19 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS/RECONVENE

Mayor Decoux recessed the meeting at 9:19 pm and reconvened at 9:30 pm.

BUSINESS OUT OF CAMERA

M#6419-12: Councillor Mitchell moved that Council come Out of Camera at 9:37 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

M#6420-12: Councillor Saje moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER