



**TOWN OF BLACKFALDS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2009 (7:00 p.m.)
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A Regular Council meeting for the Town of Blackfalds was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2009 at the Civic/Cultural Center, 5018 Waghorn Street, Blackfalds, Alberta, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Melodie Stol
Deputy Mayor Wayne Tutty
Councillor Richard Poole
Councillor Chereilyn Stefaniszyn
Councillor Carol Simpson
Councillor Trish Willis

ATTENDING

Acting CAO Sean Barnes
Executive Assistant Kimberley Wallen
Director Operations & Engineering Ray Kerber
Director of Corporate Services Donna Anderson
Planning Manager Terry Topolnitsky
IT Manager Keith Wilson

REGRETS

CAO Newman
Councillor Taylor

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Stol called the Regular Council meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda for the December 8, 2009 Regular Council meeting was presented with the addition of Information Item "7.3 WHL", Business Items "5.13 Lacombe Foundation Alternate", 5.14 "Bylaw 1098/09 Vista Trail/Fieldhouse Bylaw" and "Confidential – Legal".

RES. 449/09

Councillor Willis moved to approve the agenda for the December 8, 2009 Regular Council meeting with the addition of Business Item "7.3 WHL", "5.13 Lacombe Foundation Alternate", 5.14 "Bylaw 1098/09 Vista Trail/Fieldhouse Bylaw" and "Confidential – Legal".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS

Lease Agreement – Blackfalds Chiropractic

Director Barnes presented the new contract for the Chiropractic Clinic.

The current three (3) year term was agreed to:

- January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010 - \$825.00 / month (\$9900 / annum)
- January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011 - \$870.83 / month (\$10 450 / annum)
- January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012 - \$916.66 / month (\$11 000 / annum)

The lease agreement will be reviewed three (3) months prior the end date.

Utility, property, and operational costs assigned to the portion of the building known as the Blackfalds Chiropractic Centre will be paid by the Blackfalds Chiropractic Centre.

RES. 450/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved to accept the three (3) year lease agreement between the Town of Blackfalds and Blackfalds Chiropractic as follows:

- January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010 - \$825.00 / month (\$9 900 / annum)
- January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011 - \$870.83 / month (\$10 450 / annum)
- January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012 - \$916.66 / month (\$11 000 / annum)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 1094/09 - Facility Fee Guide Amendment

Director Barnes presented Bylaw 1094/09 which is to amend Schedule C of the Rate bylaw. There was no discussion held.

RES. 451/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved first reading of Bylaw 1094/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



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RES.452/09

Councillor Willis moved second reading of Bylaw 1094/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.453/09

Councillor Poole moved to proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 1094/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.454/09

Councillor Simpson moved third and final reading of Bylaw 1094/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 1096/09 – Water Services Bylaw

Director Kerber presented Bylaw 1096/09. It is proposed to increase the Town of Blackfalds Utilities Rates in response to the 2010 budget. For 2010 Regional Water Commission has advised that their water rates will remain at the 2009 rate of \$1.70 per cubic meter, which is reflected in a no increase in water rates for Blackfalds.

RES.455/09

Deputy Mayor Tutty moved first reading of Bylaw 1096/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.456/09

Councillor Willis moved second reading of Bylaw 1096/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.457/09

Councillor Simpson moved to proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 1096/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.458/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved third and final reading of Bylaw 1096/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 1097/09 – Garbage Bylaw

Director Kerber presented Bylaw 1097/09. It is proposed to increase the Town of Blackfalds Garbage rates to reflect the Consumer Price Index of 2%.

Description	2009	2010
Cost of Garbage & Recycling Rate	\$ 22.00	\$ 22.82
Total Cost to Consumers (Minimum Charge)	\$ 58.50	\$ 59.32
Total Cost to Consumers (Usage 18m3)	\$ 109.62	\$ 110.44

RES.459/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved first reading of Bylaw 1097/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.460/09

Councillor Poole moved second reading of Bylaw 1097/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.461/09

Councillor Simpson moved to proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 1097/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.462/09

Councillor Willis moved third and final reading of Bylaw 1097/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

October Bank Reconciliation

Council reviewed the October Bank Reconciliation. There was no discussion held.



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RES.463/09

Councillor Poole moved to accept the October Bank Reconciliation as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cheque Register for October 2009

Council reviewed the Cheque Register for October 2009. There was no discussion held.

RES.464/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved to accept the Cheque Register for October 2009 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cheque Register for November 2009

Council reviewed the Cheque Register for November 2009. There was no discussion held.

RES.465/09

Councillor Simpson moved to accept the Cheque Register for November 2009 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Proposed Road Closure

Planning Manager Topolnitsky presented information regarding the proposed road closure for Range Road 27-1. With the annexation of property to the East of the old boundaries of the Town of Blackfalds, Range Road 27-1 is now completely within the Town boundaries. This road is not in the transportation plans to be utilized in the future. Administration is supporting the closure of the road providing that the Town will be able to maintain a viable trail system where the southern portion of the road allowance exists.

RES.466/09

Councillor Poole moved to support the road closure as proposed and that Administration proceed with the appropriate procedures.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Roadway Markings Policy

Director Kerber presented the revised Roadway Markings Policy which had been previously reviewed at the Standing Committee meeting.
Under the revised Policy a marked cross walk will be placed at Westbrooke Road and Willow Road and will be installed in the spring of 2010.

RES.467/09

Councillor Poole moved to accept the Revised Roadway Markings policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lacombe Foundation Alternate

Mayor Stol indicated that an alternate needs to be appointed to the Lacombe Foundation.

RES.468/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved to appoint Councillor Poole as Alternate to the Lacombe Foundation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Bylaw 1092/09

Director Anderson presented Bylaw 1092/09, the RCMP Detachment Borrowing Bylaw for the Town of Blackfalds. Advertising took place for two weeks and there were no comments received.

RES.469/09

Councillor Willis moved second reading of Bylaw 1092/09.

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RES.470/09

Councillor Poole moved third and final reading of Bylaw 1092/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 1093/09

Director Anderson presented Bylaw 1093/09, the Vista Trail Borrowing Bylaw for the Town of Blackfalds. Advertising took place for two weeks and there were no comments received.

RES.471/09

Councillor Poole moved second reading of Bylaw 1093/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.472/09

Councillor Poole moved third and final reading of Bylaw 1093/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS

Bylaw 1098/09

Director Anderson presented Bylaw 1098/09, a Borrowing Bylaw for Vista Trail and a Fieldhouse. Vista Trail completion will provide services and access to areas that could be developed as commercial and light industrial. This development will increase commercial assessment which has been identified as a top priority in the municipal sustainability plan. It will also complete a loop in the water and sewer lines that will allow for further residential development.

The cost of construction and financing are at a low rate, making the construction now rather than later advantageous. The construction will generate short term employment consistent with infrastructure stimulus program. Both of these projects should qualify for assistance through provincial and/or federal grants.

RES.473/09

Councillor Willis moved first reading of Bylaw 1098/09, a borrowing to fund construction of Vista Trail and the Fieldhouse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2010 Operating Budget

Director Anderson presented the 2010 Operating Budget which has been previously reviewed and discussed at budget workshop meetings. Director Anderson will compile a press release of the budget highlights.

It was indicated that this budget provides status quo services with a 1% increase in tax dollars to be collected.

RES.474/09

Councillor Poole moved to approve the 2010 Operating Budget with the inclusion of a 1% tax increase.

CARRIED

2010 Capital Budget

Director Anderson presented the 2010 Capital Budget which has been previously reviewed and discussed at budget workshop meetings. Highlights of the Capital budget will be included in the press release.

It was noted that the capital budget consisted mostly of items that are considered annual repairs, replacement and/or transfer dollars into reserves for future additions, repairs or replacement.

RES.475/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved to approve the 2010 Capital Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



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Bylaw 1095/09 – Fortis Franchise Fee Bylaw Amendment

RES.476/09

Councillor Simpson moved to leave the fee at current rate (3%) and then process a Franchise Cap Adjustment through the EUB and implement 20%.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.477/09

Councillor Poole moved first reading of Bylaw 1095/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.478/09

Councillor Willis moved second reading of Bylaw 1095/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.479/09

Councillor Poole moved to proceed to third and final reading of Bylaw 1095/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.480/09

Councillor Simpson moved third and final reading of Bylaw 1095/09.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

There were no Action Correspondence items presented.

INFORMATION

- Bylaw Report
- Outdoor Rink Construction Update
 - Rink will not be complete this year
 - May be finished in April 2010
 - Public notices will be posted
- WHL wrap up

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

- ADOA – Thank you
- Brownlee LLP – Emerging Trends in Municipal Law
- Alberta Transportation – Canada-Alberta Infrastructure Stimulus Fund
- Alberta Municipal Affairs – MSP
- Alberta Municipal Affairs – Emergency Management Funding
- Government of Alberta Environment – 2009 AUMA

MINUTES

RES.481/09

Councillor Stefaniszyn moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 24, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.482/09

Councillor Simpson moved to approve the amended Standing Committee Minutes of November 16, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BREAK

RES.483/09

Councillor Willis moved to break at 8:15 p.m.

Mayor Stol called the meeting to order at 8:26 p.m.



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CONFIDENTIAL

RES.484/09

Councillor Poole moved to go in camera at 8:26 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.485/09

Councillor Willis moved to come out of camera at 8:34 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

RES.486/09

Councillor Poole moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



MAYOR MELODIE STOL



ACTING CAO SEAN BARNES