

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF STETTLER COUNCIL  
HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016 IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE,  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**Present:** Mayor Dick Richards  
  
Councillors A. Campbell, D. Bachman, W. Brown, & S. Nolls  
  
Assistant CAO S. Gerlitz  
Director of Operations M. Robbins  
  
Press (3)

**Absent:** Councillor M. Fischer, CAO G. Switenky

**Call to Order:** Mayor D. Richards called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1/2. **Agenda Additions/Approval:**

**Motion 16:08:01** Moved by Councillor Bachman to approve the agenda as presented.  
  
MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

3. **Confirmation of Minutes:**

(a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held July 19, 2016

**Motion 16:08:02** Moved by Councillor Brown that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on July 19, 2016 be approved as presented.  
  
MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

(b) Business Arising from the July 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes  
  
None

4. **Citizen's Forum:** (a) No one was present at the Citizen's Forum

5. **Delegations:** (a) None

6. **Administration:** (a) Councillor Sernecky Letter of Resignation, MGA & Board & Committees

Mayor Richards advised that Councillor Sernecky has submitted her resignation effective July 29, 2016. Mayor Richards congratulated Councillor Sernecky for her time on Council, and the great benefit she was in serving her community. Mayor Richards wished Councillor Sernecky and her family all the best in their relocation to Blackfalds.

General discussion took place regarding a by-election. Mayor Richards noted that under Section 162 (b) (i) of the Municipal Government Act which states:  
162 A council must hold a by-election to fill a vacancy on council unless:  
(b) the council consists of 6 or more councillors and the vacancy occurs  
(i) in the 18 months before a general election and there is only one vacancy

Mayor Richards summarized the discussion by indicating that it was the consensus of Council not to proceed with a by-election because of the cost involved and a by-election is not required under section 162 (b) (i) of the Municipal Government Act

(b) 2016 Lagoon Cell #6 Remediation Tender Award

Director of Operations M. Robbins highlighted the Lagoon Cell #6 Remediation background information and tender.

On January 19<sup>th</sup>, effluent was noticed seeping from the NW corner of Lagoon Cell 6 into the adjacent Red Willow Creek. This put our lagoon system in a contravention under our license to operate a wastewater lagoon with Alberta Environment. The contravention was reported to Alberta Environment and administration developed a temporary remediation plan to stop the leakage in consultation with Alberta Environment. To temporarily reduce the seepage occurring, staff started lowering the water levels in cells 5 and 6. This reduced the head pressure on the berm and controlled the effluent seeping from the banks. Exploration boreholes were completed along the North West corner of cell 6 to identify the location of the breach. There are two isolated areas where effluent has saturated the berm and is slowly seeping into the creek. The inside banks of cells 5 and 6 are eroded. Cells 5 and 6 were constructed with a compacted clay liner in the 1960's. Over time, wind and water erosion has deteriorated the clay liner and the effluent is migrating through small sand seams in the berm.

Summary of Tenders received by Tagish Engineering on July 21, 2016:

Tender prices exclude GST.

• NuEdge Construction	\$946,769.30
• Gabriel Construction	\$951,174.30
• Action Plumbing	\$1,170,033.25
• Howell's Excavating	\$1,522,136.50

Included in the tender document as a provisional item is erosion matting to protect the banks of the re-mediated cell 6 as shown below for \$124,200.

General discussion took place regarding the need of erosion matting. It was noted that for the cost of the erosion matting, it was not needed.

2016 Budget - \$1,000,000:

- Tender - \$822,569.30 without erosion control
- Engineering - \$84,500
- Contingency - \$95,000

The tender also includes - \$419,100 – Sludge removal and disposal complete will all landowner and regulatory approvals. Total budget of \$1,002,069.30 without erosion control.

Start of the project would begin after harvest in order for the sludge material to be applied on the land. The project will take about 2 months to complete.

**Motion 16:08:03**

Moved by Councillor Bachman that the Town of Stettler award the 2016 Lagoon Cell #6 Remediation tender to NuEdge Construction in the amount of \$822,569.30 (excluding GST), for a total budget cost of \$1,002,069.30 with funding to come from MSI and FGT as per the 2016 Capital Budget.

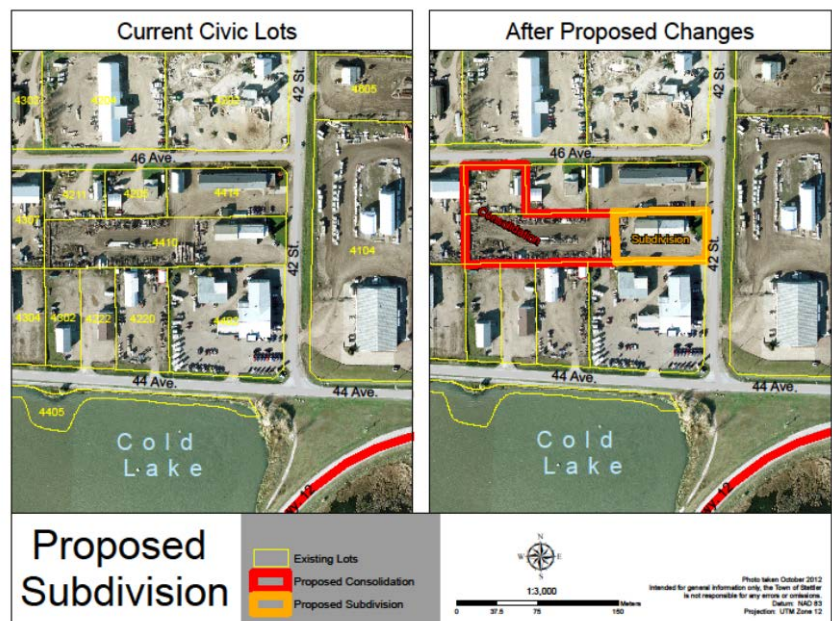
MOTION CARRIED  
 Unanimous

Director of Operations M. Robbins left the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

(c) Subdivision approval – 2016-02 - Lot 3A, Block 3, Plan 8121871

Assistant CAO S. Gerlitz highlighted the subdivision application.

The proposed subdivision and consolidation of two (2) industrial parcels is located on 46 Avenue and 42 Street in our East Industrial area. The applicant is proposing the subdivision to accommodate the sale of the existing shop and yard that front onto 42 Street. The remaining westerly lands are currently leased to Heartland Industries. As the applicant owns Lot 1 to the north, they are proposing consolidating to create legal access.



**Motion 16:08:04**

Moved by Councillor Nolls that the Town of Stettler approve Subdivision #2016-02, Legal: Lot 3A, Block 3, Plan 8121871, Proposed Subdivision: Two (2) Industrial Parcels and consolidation of two (2) industrial parcels, with the following conditions:

That the application of a two (2) parcel subdivision and consolidation as shown on the Tentative Plan has been evaluated in terms of Section 654 of the Municipal Government Act and Section 7 of the Subdivision and Development Regulations and having considered adjacent landowner(s) submissions, it is recommended that the application be approved as per Tentative Plan for the following reasons:

1. That the application is consistent with Section 7 of the Subdivision and Development Regulations;
2. The application is consistent with the policies of the Municipal Development Plan; and

3. The application is consistent with the Land Use Bylaw 2060-15.

Further, in accordance with Sections 654 and 655 of the Municipal Government Act, the application is approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Subdivision to be effected by a Plan of Survey, pursuant to Section 657 of the Municipal Government Act.
2. All outstanding Property Taxes to be paid to the Town of Stettler as per Section 654 (1) (d) of the Municipal Government Act.
3. The owner/applicant will consolidate the westerly created lot with Lot 1, Block 3, Plan 8121871 in order to meet the requirements for legal access.
4. The owner/applicant will provide Telus Communications with an easement/right of way to protect their facilities on the subdivided and consolidated lands.

Notes:

- a) Any existing instruments on the land title in favour of the users of lease roads, pipelines or other oil and gas facilities or other infrastructure shall be carried forward to the land title of the proposed parcel.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

(d) Meetings

- Wednesday – August 10, 2016 – Kin Playground Grand Opening BBQ – 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 16 – Council Meeting
- Tuesday, September 6 – Council Meeting
- Tuesday, September 13 – Committee Meeting
- Tuesday, September 20 – Council Meeting
- Tuesday, October 4 – Council Meeting
- Wednesday – Friday, October 5-7 – AUMA Convention in Edmonton
- Tuesday, October 11 – Committee Meeting
- Tuesday, October 18 – Council Meeting

(e) CAO Report

**Motion 16:08:05**

Moved by Councillor Bachman that the Town of Stettler accept the CAO Report for the month of July.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

(g) Accounts Payable in the amount of \$361,230.64

**Motion 16:08:06**

Moved by Councillor Campbell that Accounts Payable in the amounts of \$1,221.15, \$269,959.38 & \$90,050.11 for the period ending July 31, 2016 for a total amount of \$361,230.64 having been paid, be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

7. **Council:** Mayor and Councillors outlined highlights of meetings they attended.
- (a) Mayor Richards
- July 19 - Coal Meeting re: Several elected officials from Central Alberta gathered in Stettler to discuss proposed closing of coal fired generation plants.
  - July 22 - Regional Fire Authority.
    - Citizen Meeting.
    - Town Office cheques.
  - July 23 - Lacombe Days Parade.
  - July 29 - Town Office cheques.
    - Opening Ceremonies for Mosquitoes, Peewee and Bantam Provincial Ball Tournament.
  - Aug 2 - Met with Dr. Richard Starky.
- (b) Councillor Bachman
- July 20 - Parent Link Grand Opening.
  - July 27 - Staff Resignation from Library.
- (c) Councillor Brown
- No meetings to report.
- (d) Councillor Campbell
- No meetings to report.
- (e) Councillor Fischer
- Absent from meeting.
- (f) Councillor Nolls
- July 22 - Regional Fire Authority Meeting.
  - Aug 2 - Met with Dr. Richard Starky.
8. **Minutes:**
- Motion 16:08:07**
- (a) Joint Town/County Meeting of June 29, 2016
- Moved by Councillor Brown that the Town of Stettler Council accept the minutes, items 8(a) as presented.
- MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous
9. **Public Hearing:** (a) None
10. **Bylaws:** (a) None
11. **Correspondence:**
- (a) Edmonton's Mayor Wants Additional Tax on Contaminated Properties
  - (b) AUMA Brownfield Redevelopment Network
  - (c) Stettler Detachment 2016/17 First Quarter Report
  - (d) Kin Playground Grand Opening - August 10 – 5:30 BBO

- (e) Red Deer River Municipal Users Group (RDRMUG) request for a Letter of Support to the Minister of Environment regarding provincial costing of provincial infrastructure

General discussion took place regarding the request from the RDRMUG for a letter of support to the Hon. Shannon Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks with regards to Drumheller's and Sundre's position that the Province honour its commitment and that the Province continue to develop, own and maintain Drumheller's and Sundre's flood protection projects with funding at 100% Provincial costs.

General discussion took place regarding the Mission Statement of the RDRMUG:

"Maintaining water quality in the Red Deer River system is an integral part of the Red Deer River Municipal Group's (RDRMUG) strategic goal to secure sufficient water to support sustainable communities"

It was noted that a request was presented from T. Yemen, Town of Drumheller for the RDRMUG to provide a letter of support in the Town of Drumheller's efforts to receive full funding from the Province of Alberta for the addition, rehabilitation and maintenance of dikes and other infrastructure required to minimize flood damage to the town caused by the Red Deer River. T. Yemen explained that the Province is pursuing cost sharing arrangements that include a 90 – 10 percent split up to 3 million dollars and a 70 – 30 split on amounts over. (The Town of Drumheller would be required to cover all necessary legal work). The Town of Drumheller's rationalizes that this issue is clearly a Provincial responsibility, similar to the maintenance and rehabilitation of Provincial highways which may pass through municipalities. T. Yemen also explained that current flood mapping is causing serious issues in property sales and values as this mapping does not consider unmitigated flow, only consideration to the complete failure of the Dickson Dam appears to be taken into account.

Mayor Richards summarized the discussion by indicating that the Town of Stettler has also been working with the Alberta Environment on flood mapping.

**Motion 16:08:08**

Moved by Councillor Bachman that the Town of Stettler send a letter of support to the Hon. Shannon Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks with regards to Drumheller's and Sundre's position that the Province honour its commitment and that the Province continue to develop, own and maintain Drumheller's and Sundre's flood protection projects with funding at 100% Provincial costs.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

- (f) Wildrose MGA Review Feedback Request

**Motion 16:08:09**

Moved by Councillor Bachman that correspondence items 11(a) to 11(f) inclusive be accepted for information.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous

12. **Items Added:** (a) None
13. **In-Camera Session:** (a) There was no In-Camera Session at this meeting.
14. **Adjournment:**

**Motion 16:08:10**

Moved by Councillor Campbell that this regular meeting of the Town of Stettler Council be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED  
Unanimous at 7:13 p.m.

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Mayor

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Assistant CAO