

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF STETTLER COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2005 IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE,
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present: Mayor J. Hunter

Councillors A. Campbell, S. Hurley, G. Majeran, R. Peeples,
D. Richards & L. Thorogood

Town Manager R. Stoutenberg
Director of Finance & Administration G. Switenky

Press (2)

Absent: None

Call to Order: Mayor J. Hunter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

Motion 05:03:17 Moved by Councillor Richards to approve the agenda as presented with the following additions:

- 12(a) Ambulance Board
- 12(b) Centennial Committee – Parade Float
- 12(c) Name Signs in Town Office
- 10(b) Bylaw 1909-05 re: Amend Land Use Bylaw 1797-98

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

3. **Confirmation of Minutes:**

- (a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held March 1, 2005

Motion 05:03:18 Moved by Councillor Hurley that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 1, 2005 be approved with the following correction: Last paragraph on page 3 to read: Discussion ensued regarding Council's original intent.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

- (b) Business Arising from the March 1, 2005 Minutes

None

- (c) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held March 8, 2005

Motion 05:03:19 Moved by Councillor Thorogood that the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on March 8, 2005 be approved with the following correction: The title on page one to read: HELD MARCH 8, 2005 AT THE TOWN OF STETTLER OFFICE.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

- (d) Business Arising from the March 8, 2005 Minutes

None

4. **Citizen's Forum:** (a) No one was present at the Citizen's Forum
5. **Delegations:** (a) None
6. **Administration:** (a) First Quarterly Update - Town of Stettler Strategic Plan

Town Manager, R. Stoutenberg reviewed progress to date on the thirteen (13) primary strategic goals identified for 2005.

Discussion ensued regarding various steps completed.

- (b) Memo re: Landscape Architect – Goal #5

Goal # 5 in the Town's 2005 Strategic Plan is to further enhance West Stettler Park.

Town Manager R. Stoutenberg reminded Council that priorities for the park were determined at a public meeting held on January 21, 2004. Based on these priorities, various improvements in the park have been included in the 2004 and 2005 Budgets.

In addition, Administration has solicited and received proposals from two (2) professional Landscape Architect firms to provide consultative assistance in addressing natural constraints and to determine new opportunities for the park.

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| UMA Engineering Ltd | \$8,352 |
| Gibbs and Brown | \$8,729 |

Discussion ensued regarding:

- * The cost/benefit of expending \$8,000+ for further conceptual planning.
- * The availability of local expertise.
- * The opinions and expectation of the public.
- * Revisiting of the priorities identified from the public meeting in January 2004.

Motion 05:03:20

Moved by Councillor Thorogood that the Town of Stettler Council take the opportunity at the Trade Fair to gain additional public input regarding West Stettler Park and direct Administration to prepare a survey.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

- (c) April Newsletter Items
- H.A.T.S. Dinner Theatre – April 13-16
 - Stettler & District Music Festival – April 13-22
 - Grand Concert – April 24
 - National Volunteer Week – April 17-23
 - Water Smart Program
 - 2005 Spring Cleanup
 - Over the Top Auction – May 6
 - Country Centennial Concert – April 30
 - Centennial Committee – Coordinator for Horseshoe Tournament

(d) Bank Reconciliation as of February 28, 2005

Motion 05:03:21

Moved by Councillor Peeples that the Bank Reconciliation as of February 28, 2005 be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

(e) Statement of Revenue & Expenses as of February 28, 2005

Motion 05:03:22

Moved by Councillor Thorogood that the Statement of Revenue & Expenses as of February 28, 2005 be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

(f) Statement of Capital Activity as of February 28, 2005

Motion 05:03:23

Moved by Councillor Richards that the Statement of Capital Activity as of February 28, 2005 be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

(g) Accounts Payable in the amount of \$290,056.97

Motion 05:03:24

Moved by Councillor Campbell that Accounts Payable for the period ending March 9, 2005 in the amount of \$290,056.97 having been paid, be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

7. **Council:**

Mayor and Councillors outlined highlights of meetings they attended.

(a) Mayor Hunter

- Mar 2 - Marketing Meeting.
- Mar 3 - Marketing Board Meeting & Beautification Meeting.
- Mar 8 - Botha Water Meeting.
- Mar 9 - Town Office duties.
- Mar 12 - Kidsport Dinner.
- Mar 15 - Luncheon with Reeve and new County C.A.O.

(b) Councillor Campbell

- Feb 26 - Parkland Regional Library Meeting.

(c) Councillor Hurley

- Mar 4 - Waste Management Authority Meeting.
- Mar 8 - Committee of the Whole Meeting.

(d) Councillor Majeran

- Mar 4 - Waste Management Authority Meeting.
- Mar 8 - Committee of the Whole Meeting.

(e) Councillor Peeples

- Mar 2 - Red Deer Watershed Alliance Meeting in Red Deer.
- Mar 3 - Beautification Meeting.
- Mar 8 - Committee of the Whole Meeting.
 - Meeting with Botha & Gadsby re: water rates.

(f) Councillor Richards

- Mar 3 - Marketing Corporation Meeting.
- Mar 7 - Ambulance Board Meeting.
- Mar 8 - Committee of the Whole Meeting.
- Mar 9 - Chamber of Commerce Meeting.
- Mar 11 - Town Office duties re: signed cheques.
 - Fire Commission Meeting.
- Mar 12 - Kidsport dinner and auction.

(g) Councillor Thorogood

- Mar 2 - Marketing Strategic Planning Meeting.
- Mar 3 - Marketing Corporation Meeting.
- Mar 7 - Heartland Youth Centre Meeting.
- Mar 8 - Committee of the Whole Meeting.
 - Botha Water Meeting.
- Mar 15 - Parks & Leisure Services Meeting.

8. **Minutes:**

- (a) Stettler Ag. Society Meetings of January 19 & February 16, 2005 (Draft)
- (b) FCSS Meeting of January 24, 2005
- (c) Stettler Regional Partnership Committee Meeting of February 24, 2005
- (d) Stettler Parks & Leisure Board Meeting of February 28, 2005

- (e) Heartland Beautification Committee Meeting of March 3, 2005

Motion 05:03:25

Moved by Councillor Hurley that the Minutes, items 8(a) to 8(e) inclusive be accepted for information.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

9. **Public Hearing:**

- (a) None

10. **Bylaws:**

- (a) 1908-05 re: Amend Land Use Bylaw 1797-98

Town Manager, R. Stoutenberg explained that the applicant E-Line Holdings Inc. is requesting that all of Block 31, Plan 430AD adjacent to 62 Street be re-designated from "R-2" General Residential District to "C-2" Highway Commercial District. The purpose of this re-designation is to accommodate a new hotel development.

Motion 05:03:26

Moved by Councillor Peebles that the Town of Stettler Council give first reading to Bylaw 1908-05.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

- (b) 1909-05 re: Amend Land Use Bylaw 1797-98

Town Manager, R. Stoutenberg explained that the County of Stettler is proposing that part of Lot 1, Plan 822 0910 adjacent to 70 Street be re-designated from "P" Public Use Area to "R2" General Residential District. The purpose of this re-designation is to create residential land (approximately 1 acre) that the County can subdivide and donate to the Leisure Centre Fundraising Committee for sale at the auction.

Motion 05:03:27

Moved by Councillor Thorogood that the Town of Stettler Council give first reading to Bylaw 1909-05.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

11. **Correspondence:**

- (a) RCMP re: Business Case for 2005 - Options

Motion 05:03:28

Moved by Councillor Campbell that the Town of Stettler Council approve suggestions "B" and/or "C" to be included in the Policing Business Case for 2005 as outlined in the correspondence from RCMP Sgt. Kevin Picard dated February 28, 2005.

B. Increase CHECKSTOPS in both rural and urban areas of Stettler by 20 percent. Provides for detection of unsafe equipment, no insurance, impaired driving detection, etc.

C. Increase radar enforcement initiatives in playground zones.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

- (b) Regional Water Strategy Meeting
- (c) David Thompson Health Region
- (d) Whitecourt Star News

Motion 05:03:29

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

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

12. **Items Added:**

- (a) Ambulance Board

Councillor Richards informed Council that the staff at the Ambulance Authority has voted 8 to zero in favor of unionizing the workplace.

- (b) Centennial Committee – Parade Float

The Town will be funding a new float for use in 2005.

- (c) Name Signs in Town Office

Councillor Campbell suggested that the Mayor's and staff name signs be installed within the Town Office. Administration will install new consistent signage throughout the entire office.

13. **In-Camera Session:**

- (a) There was no In-Camera Session at this meeting.

14. **Adjournment:**

Motion 05:03:30

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

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous at 8:13 p.m.

Mayor

Director of Finance & Administration