

# TOWN OF SMOKY LAKE Regular Council Meeting

Wednesday July 15, 2009 - 7:00 pm

## Town Council Chambers Smoky Lake, Alberta

**PRESENT:** Dave Franchuk Mayor  
Therese Taschuk Deputy Mayor  
Nathan Taylor Councillor  
John Cherniwchan Councillor  
Dave Paches Councillor

**ADMINISTRATION:** Earla Wagar Interim Chief Administrative  
Officer

**PRESS:** Smoky Lake Signal Present

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dave Franchuk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION #265/09** **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Therese Taschuk

That the July 15, 2009 agenda be adopted as amended, with the following additions:

- 6e. Stark Park Fence
- 14b. Land
- 14c. Personnel

**CARRIED**

### **3. DELEGATIONS**

Mayor Franchuk invited Archie Grover and John Szumlas of Activation Analysis to present to Council their proposal for a Municipal Corporate Review.

The Corporate Review process will include a review of the current organization, staffing, services, processes and structure. This will be followed with discussions and interviews with municipal representatives as well as key community representatives. The final report will provide recommendations and strategies.

**MOTION #266/09**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Therese Taschuk

That Activation Analysis Group Inc. be contracted to perform a Corporate Review of the operation of the Town of Smoky Lake, to include a study of the current operation including staff and council duties and responsibilities, and policies and procedures, with a view on improving effectiveness and efficiency of the operation.

**CARRIED**

**4. QUESTION PERIOD**

H. Holowachuk inquired about updating the Kollacreeka Subdivision sign at the junction of Highways 28 & 855, suggesting that the number of lots remaining be amended to reflect the sales to date.

Interim CAO, Earla Wagar responded by indicating that the staff would look into the matter and make the necessary changes to the sign.

**5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**MOTION #267/09**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Therese Taschuk

That the minutes of the July 8, 2009 Regular Council meeting be accepted as amended with the clerical error in resolution #260/09 being corrected.

**CARRIED**

**Mayor Franchuk** called a brief recess at 7:50 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

## **6. GENERAL GOVERNANCE SERVICES**

a) **Corporate Review** *see the Delegation portion of the agenda.*

### **b) 2009 Budget**

Interim CAO, Earla Wagar, reviewed the 2009 Budget as approved with Resolution 157/09 on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009, making recommendations for amendments.

#### **MOTION #268/09**

**MOVED** by Councillor Nathan Taylor

That the 2009 Operating Budget as previously approved on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009, be amended to increase the amount of funds required to be collected through municipal taxes to be \$842,602.94.

#### **CARRIED**

Mayor Franchuk stepped out of the meeting at 8:40 p.m. and returned at 8:45 p.m.

### **c) Tax Rate Bylaw #2009-07**

Based on the amendments made to the 2009 Budget to collect

\$842,602.94 in Municipal Taxes
\$25,658.17 for Recreation reserve
\$212,468.84 for School Requisitions
\$51,528.65 for Senior Foundation;

tax rates shall be, allowing for minor adjustments for averaging:

Municipal Residential:	6.8500
Municipal Non-Residential:	15.3593
Recreation:	0.2500
School Residential:	1.7321
School Non-Residential:	4.0024
Senior's Foundation:	0.5089

#### **MOTION #269/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor John Cherniwchan

That Bylaw 007-09, the 2009 Tax Rate Bylaw, be given 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION #270/09**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Therese Taschuk  
That Bylaw 007-09, the 2009 Tax Rate Bylaw, be  
given 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION #271/09**

**MOVED** by Councillor Nathan Taylor

That unanimous consent be given to holding the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
and final reading of Bylaw #007-09 at this time.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION #272/09**

**MOVED** by Councillor Dave Paches

That Bylaw 007-09, the 2009 Tax Rate Bylaw, be  
given 3<sup>rd</sup> and final Reading.

**CARRIED**

**d) Heritage Days Parade**

The Heritage Days Committee has submitted the  
parade route for Council approval.

**MOTION #273/09**

**MOVED** by Councillor Nathan Taylor

That the Council authorizes the closing of streets  
beginning at the Recreation Complex, east to 46<sup>th</sup>  
Street, north to 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue as far as Railway  
Avenue, turning north to 52<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, west to 46<sup>th</sup>  
Street to McDougall Drive, then west again to White  
Earth Street and ending at the Curling Rink parking  
area & Railway Avenue (map attached), on Saturday  
August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 for a period from 10:30 a.m. to  
12:30 p.m. for the 2009 Heritage Day Parade.

**CARRIED**

**e) Stark Park**

At a previous meeting administration had been  
directed to have a fence constructed between Stark

Park and the residential property adjacent to it. Interim CAO reported that the fencing material has been ordered and the project will be completed as soon as the material arrives.

### **Meeting Extension**

**MOTION #274/09**

**MOVED** by Councillor John Cherniwchan

That Council agree to extend the meeting beyond 10:30 p.m.

**CARRIED**

### **7. COUNCIL REPORTS**

In recognition of the lateness of the hour, Mayor Franchuk indicated that the Councillor Reports would be deferred to the next meeting.

### **8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

#### **a) Administration Report**

- Budget Review
- Tax Bylaw proposal
- Tangible Capital Assets
- 2009 Street Rehabilitation Program
- Kinsmen Park Pavilion
- Bylaw Reviews

**MOTION #275/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor David Paches

That the administration report and information listing be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

### **9. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

#### **a) Accounts Payable/Payroll/Bank Rec's**

**MOTION #276/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor John Cherniwchan

That the May, 2009 Monthly Statement, and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$227,981.24, and Payroll

direct deposits and cheques in the amount of \$55,252.23 be accepted as information.

**CARRIED**

**10. PUBLIC UTILITIES/GAS**

No Report.

**11. PUBLIC WORKS**

**MOTION #277/09**

**MOVED** by Councillor Dave Paches

That the June, 2009 Public Works Report be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**12. EMERGENCY/PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

Fire Chief Hank Hollowaychuk and Captain Chris Schwab reported presented a report of the activities of the Fire Department for May, June and July. Chief Hollowachuk commended the department for their dedication to the community through training and responses. He further indicated that the department is in need of more volunteers and suggested that an advertising campaign be initiated for new members.

**MOTION #278/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor David Paches

That the Smoky Lake Fire Department report be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) **Alberta Health Services**, re: Reorganization
- b) **Government of Alberta**, re: Senior's Conference
- c) **Regional Development**, re: Ports to Plains EDA

**MOTION #279/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor David Paches

That the Town provide registration fees for two members of the Smoky Lake Senior's Society to attend the Silver surge Senior's Conference in Edmonton in September, 2009.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION #280/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor Nathan Taylor

That the balance of the correspondence be accepted information.

**CARRIED**

**14. In-Camera Session**

**MOTION #281/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor John Cherniwchan

That Town move In-Camera at 10:50 p.m. to discuss the following:

- a) Legal Item
- b) Personnel
- c) Land Issue

**MOTION #282/09**

**MOVED** by Councilor John Cherniwchan

That the Council come Out-of-Camera and reverts back to regular meeting of Town Council at 11:25 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION #283/09**

**MOVED** by Mayor Dave Franchuk

That the meeting be adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

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**Dave Franchuk**  
**Mayor**

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**Tom Carney**  
**CAO**