MINUTES OF THE JUNE 11th,2024 VILLAGE OF COUTTS REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUTTS COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 6:30 PM

Present: Mayor MacCumber, Councillors, Pain, Smith, Payne (Virtual), Willett and CAO Rolfe. Also present Jaylyn Myers and Jacklyn Cameron.

Meeting: Called to order at 6:35pm by Mayor MacCumber.

Agenda: Councillor Payne moved to accept the agenda with one addition. Carried unanimously.

Delegates:

Jacquelyn Cameron: Came to voice her opinion on some placement of flags that she feels may be a reflection of the views of the Village because of their location. They are on private property, so freedom of speech probably applies, but CAO Rolfe will see if we have any grounds to stand on to request their removal.

Minutes: Councillor Smith moved to accept the May 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented. Carried Unanimously.
Councillor Pain moved to accept the May 2024 Special Meeting minutes as presented. Carried Unanimously.

Old Business:

CAO Report: CAO Report is attached. Mayor MacCumber moved to accept the CAO report as presented. Carried unanimously.

Tax Sale The two vacant lots will have signs put up this week. The two other properties will be put up after an inspection is completed by a Realtor so we can get a proper market value.

Website: CAO Rolfe has a meeting with a web designer from SouthGrow, Jessie.

Public Works: Paul Goldsmith is still off on WCB. He will be having surgery soon.

Cats: The letter regarding cats has gone out to the residents.

Seniors Tea: Attendance was low with 12 residents, but the ones that came enjoyed themselves.

Tax Bylaws: Councillor Willett moved for 3rd and final reading of Bylaw 594, the Bylaw assessing the Property Tax for 2024. Carried unanimously.
Councillor Pain moved for 3rd and final reading of Bylaw 595, the bylaw assessing the Frontage Tax for 2024.

Hot Spot Location: Milk River Cable Club has requested the location of the internet hot spot. After discussion, Council Smith moved to have the hot spot located on the Recreation Hall. Carried unanimously.

Financial Statement: The May2024 Financial Statement was presented and discussed. Councillor Pain moved to approve the May 2024 Financial Statement as presented. Carried unanimously.

Accounts Payable: The accounts payable was distributed and discussed.
Councillor Smith moved to pay the accounts payable. Carried unanimously.

New Business

Carbon Tax Letter of Support: More information is being gathered before drafting a letter of support.

Subpoena: A representative of the Mayor has been subpoenaed for the court cases of 16 traffic tickets that were received during the protest. We are gathering the information requested.

MAP -2: We will be having our second part of the Municipal Accountability Program on August 21st. CAO Rolfe will be gathering all requested information prior to then and sending them in.

Alberta Day Funding: Discussion was held about the new Alberta Day Celebration Funding. It was decided to not apply for it this year, but to monitor what other communities do and possibly organize something for next year.

LGFF: Our amounts for the LGFF funding have been announced. The amounts are for Capital and Operating Funding.

Milk River Water Rates: The Town of Milk River has increased the amount we pay for water. Councillor Payne moved that we increase the price to $1.20/cubic meter to our residents and businesses to make up for the increase. Carried unanimously.

Canada Day: Canada Day will be July 1st as always, BBQ in the park at 4pm. Volunteers have come forward, so all good.

Committee Reports:

Councillor Willett: Attended the SouthGrow Executive meeting
Attended the SouthGrow AGM

Councillor Payne: Attended the Ridge Country Housing Meeting
Attended the FCSS Meeting

Councillor Smith: Did not have any meetings to attend.

Councillor
Pain: Attended the Library Board Meeting
Attended the Handibus Meeting

Mayor
MacCumber: Attended the Healthcare Commmittee Meeting
Attended the Rec Board Meeting
Attended the Milk River Watershed Meeting

Correspondence: No correspondence at this time

Closed Session: Not Requested at this time

Adjourn: Councillor Willett moved to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

MAYOR

CAO

CAO Report – June 11th, 2024

1. Public Works: Paul is having surgery on Wednesday June 12th. New hire is working part time helping get the town ready for Coutts Day.
2. Seniors Tea went well….poor attendance however with only 12.
3. Made up "snack bags" for the locums and delivered to the clinic.
4. Taxes will be mailed out on June 19th
5. Worked on organizing Coutts Day.

Attended the Handibus Meeting
Attended a virtual meeting with MPE on the water project – new scope was discussed.

May 2024 FINANCIAL

	GENERAL	GRANT FUND AMIP	REC GIC	RECREATION	TOTALS
BOOK ENTRIES:					
Net Balance from the Previous Month:	$418,425.16	$ 18,359.35	$ -	$ 37,075.04	$ 473,859.55
Receipts for the Month	$ 42,829.32				$ 42,829.32
Bank Account Interest Earned	$ 2,010.21	$ 82.64		$ 1.15	$ 2,094.00
GIC Matured + interest CRAS Interest	$ 46,449.69				$ 46,449.69
Loans Received:					$ -
SUB-TOTALS:	**$ 509,714.38**	**$ 18,441.99**	**$ -**	**$ 37,076.19**	**$ 565,232.56**
LESS:					
Disbursements for the Month:	$58,740.09				$ 58,740.09
NEW GIC's					
ASFF School Taxes					$ -
Transfer to AMIP chequing					$ -
Revolving Loan Interest / Bank Fees/NSF	$ 27.24				$ 27.24
Loans Paid:					$ -
Sub-Totals	**$ 58,767.33**	**$ -**	**$ -**		**$ 58,767.33**
NET BALANCE at end of Month:	**$ 450,947.05**	**$ 18,441.99**	**$0.00**	**$ 37,076.19**	**$ 506,465.23**
BANK STATEMENT:					
Balance at end of Month - Bank:	$ 461,165.98	$ 18,441.99		$ 37,076.19	$ 516,684.16
Balance at end of Month - Investments:					$ -
CASH ON HAND at End of Month:	$ 8,438.69				$ 8,438.69
SUB-TOTALS:	**$ 469,604.67**	**$ 18,441.99**	**0.00**	**$ 37,076.19**	**$ 525,122.85**
LESS:					
Outstanding Cheques:	$ 18,657.62				**$ 18,657.62**
NET BALANCE at end of Month:	**450,947.05**	**$ 18,441.99**	**0.00**	**$ 37,076.19**	**$ 506,465.23**

OUTSTANDING CHEQUE LIST:

Number	Amount
2024182	$1,840.00
2024186	$6,974.51
2024190	$431.44
2024192	$2,690.06
2024196	$199.50
2024197	$100.00
2024198	$150.00
2024199	$450.00
2024202	$881.66
2024207	$24.40
2024208	$4,916.05 **Outstanding Cheque**
Total	$18,657.62

RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH:

Utilities	$8,425.74
Taxes	$5,270.00
Office	$271.70
WCB	$4,320.96
Fire Dept Grant	$15,000.00
Canada Day Grant	$775.00
Police Fines	$203.00
Franchises	$3,176.89
Rec Board wage sha	$5,000.00
Rec Board paint	$386.00
Rounding	$0.03
	$42,829.32

Catholic Cemetery	$2,067.19
Cemetery Project	$94.23available

THIS STATEMENT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL ON THIS 11th DAY OF June 2024

Scott Marchuk MAYOR

Lori Ray C.A.O.

ATTACHMENT FOR JUNE 11/24 MEETING

APPROVE FOR PAYMENT

AMSC	1,860.70	BENEFITS
AMSC	8,556.81	GAS & ELECTRICITY
BYRTUS, NELLIE	78.17	PARTS FOR MOWER
CATALIS	3,339.00	ANNUAL LICENSE
CITY OF LETHBRIDGE	259.88	DISPATCH SERVICES 2ND QUARTER
DESIGN SIGNS	39.38	LOTS FOR SALE SIGNS
GOVT OF ALBERTA	130.00	LOTS NAME CHANGE TO VILLAGE, TITLE PAPERS
MACCUMBER, KELLY	26.24	RECEIPT BOOKS
MWG CHARTERED PROFESSIONALS	11,025.00	2023 AUDIT OF VILLAGE BOOKS
NOBLES HEAVY DUTY	1,091.48	CHEVY REPAIRS
RIDGE AUTO	25.48	SPRAYER PARTS
ROLFE, LORI	44.18	TRIMMER BLADE
TOWN OF MILK RIVER	7,825.11	MARCH 31-MAY 31 WATER 7179 CU METERS
TOWN OF MILK RIVER	1,475.00	MAY 2024 GARBAGE
WESTECH	210.00	TOILET RENTAL
ZONE 3	88.76	COPIER CONRTACT
TOTAL	**36,075.19**	

Village of Coutts

Cheque Listing For Council

2024-Jun-10
3:48:21PM

Cheque #	Cheque Date	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
2024192	2024-05-29	ROLFE, LORI A				
2024193	2024-05-29	MACCUMBER, KELLY J				[redacted]
2024194	2024-05-29	JOHNSON, TRACY				[redacted]
2024195	2024-05-29	MACCUMBER, SCOTT				[redacted]
2024196	2024-05-29	PAYNE, MEGAN				857.85
2024197	2024-05-29	WILLETT, JIMMY				199.50
2024198	2024-05-29	SMITH, TANYA				100.00
2024199	2024-05-29	PAIN, STEPHEN				150.00
2024200	2024-05-29	BYRTUS, JENELLE				450.00
2024201	2024-05-29	GOLDSMITH, PAUL				[redacted]
2024202	2024-05-29	ATB FINANCIAL				[redacted]
			may 24 rrsp	PAYMENT MAY 2024 RRSP	881.66	881.66
2024203	2024-05-29	BLACK DRAGON FIREWORKS INC.		PAYMENT		788.83
			AB24-015	GST FOR COUTTS DAY FIREWOI	142.88	
			AB24-016	CANADA DAY FIREWORKS	645.95	
2024204	2024-05-29	BYRTUS, JENELLE	may 24 mileage	PAYMENT MILK RIVER X 6	146.40	146.40
2024205	2024-05-29	GOLDSMITH, PAUL	may 24 mileage	PAYMENT MILK RIVEER X 3	73.20	73.20
2024206	2024-05-29	MACCUMBER, SCOTT	MAY 24 MILEAG	PAYMENT LETHBRIDGE X 2, MILK RIVER, W	339.16	339.16
2024207	2024-05-29	PAIN, STEPHEN	MAY 24 MILEAG	PAYMENT MILK RIVER	24.40	24.40
2024208	2024-05-29	RECEIVER GENERAL FOR CANADA, CANADA RE	MAY 2024	PAYMENT MAY 2024 REC GEN	4,916.05	4,916.05
2024209	2024-06-03	ELLERT, DENNIS	2024 lease	PAYMENT YEARLY LEASE MR BOOSTER S	600.00	600.00
2024210	2024-06-03	SMITH, JAKE	MOWING OFEL	PAYMENT MOWING OFELIA LOT PAID BY O	100.00	100.00
2024211	2024-06-03	ATB FINANCIAL MASTERCARD	JUNE 2024	PAYMENT ATB	683.08	683.08

Total 18,975.02

*** End of Report ***