

MINUTES OF THE August 10th, 2021 VILLAGE OF COUTTS REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUTTS COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 6:30 PM

- Present: Mayor Willett, Councillor's MacCumber, Smith, Bohne, Payne and CAO Rolfe
- Meeting: Called to order at 6:30pm by Mayor Willett.
- Agenda: Councillor MacCumber moved to accept the agenda as presented. Carried unanimously.
- RCMP: Reviewed the stats and introduced a new member.
- Minutes: Councillor Bohne moved to accept the June 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented. Carried Unanimously.
- Old Business:
- CAO Report: CAO Report is attached. Councillor Bohne moved to accept the CAO report as presented. Carried unanimously.
- Bylaw
Review: WIP
- MCCAC Quotes have been received...application will be submitted
- 448 3rd Ave N: Waiting on Fortis to quote on moving poles for possible sale.
- EV Charging
Station Grant: MCCAC Grant Funding. Location to be determined.
- Healthy
Communities
Grant: Grant has been submitted collaboratively with Milk River, Warner and Foremost for high speed internet with Milk River Cable as the provider.
- Animals: An action plan was discussed.
- Street Sealing: Not finished yet.
- Yards: Meetings to be scheduled with owners of large amounts of infractions.
- Financial
Statement: Councillor Smith moved to accept the June 2021 Financial Statement as presented. Carried Unanimously.
Councillor Payne moved to accept the July 2021 Financial Statement as presented. Carried Unanimously.
- Accounts
Payable: Councillor MacCumber moved to pay the accounts payable. Carried unanimously.
- New Business
- Raymond
Summer
Games: Request for funding discussed, tabled until next meeting.
- Milk River
School
Enhancement: Request for funding for a larger gym that will accommodate bleachers. Councillor MacCumber moved to donate \$1000 to the Milk River School Enhancement Committee for the new school. Carried unanimously.
- Court: CAO Rolfe was served to attend court for the hit and run on a fire hydrant in 2019. Court is August 12.

Telus: CAO has signed a new contract with Telus for landlines saving approx. \$200/month.

Ford
Lightening: There maybe an oppotunity through MCCAC for a Ford Lightening Truck, CAO will add the Village to the list.

Support
Letter: A request to write a letter in support for the Milk River Historical Society to gain permission to move an old RCMP barracks to the Information Site in Milk River was received. Councillor Payne moved a letter of support be written for the Historical Society. Carried unanimously.

Committee
Reports:

Councillor
Smith: Attended 2 CMRSWC meetings
Attended an evening with Grant Hunter

Councillor
Payne: Attended the Ridge Country Housing Meeting

Councillor
Bohne: Did not attend any meetings

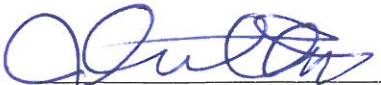
Councillor
MacCumber: Did some media interviews
Attended an evening with Grant Hunter

Mayor
Willett: Attended Mayors and Reeves Meeting
Attended 2 Government zoom meetings
Attended the SouthGrow Meeting
Attended a Broadband Meeting

Correspondence: None received

Closed Session: Not requested

Adjourn: Councillor MacCumber moved to adjourn at 9:15 pm


MAYOR


CAO

CAO Report August 10, 2021

1. Covid-19 updates have lessened to twice/month or more if needed
2. Election Training finished
3. Working on the “Reduction of Red Tape” with MR and Warner.
4. Waterline issue in Rodeo Grounds...now resolved
5. Taxes were mailed out and payments are coming in
6. Assessment Audit completed. A) need new bylaw for assessor since Morgan is retired this year
B) need a change to the wording for non assessed properties on tax notice
We did well with only 2 minor things as per the auditor.
7. Spray Park is operating, damage has been done to the guns last week. All three broken. One is fixed, working on the other 2.
8. Coutts Summer Celebration- Was a good day. Hot dogs in the park went over well, I prefer that to breakfast.