

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 28, 2008**

PRESENT

Frances Davis	Councillor
Brian Harcourt	Councillor
Pete Nykolyshyn	Councillor
Bonnie Bigam	Councillor
Jake Klassen	Councillor
William (Bill) Moedt	Councillor
Charles Johnson	Councillor

REGRETS

ATTENDING

Ray Coad	CAO
Audrey Bjorklund	CMD
Wendy Schmaltz	CSM
Allan Rowe	PWM
Melissa Kamphuis	EA

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Davis called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m.

AGENDA

C696(10/28/08)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council adopts the agenda governing the regular Council meeting of October 28, 2008 as presented. CARRIED.

MINUTES

C697(10/28/08)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of October 14, 2008, as presented. CARRIED.

DELEGATION

The following delegations are scheduled to appear later in the meeting:

- 11:30 a.m. – Hon. Chris Warkentin, MP
- 1:00 p.m. – Kenda Dodds

Senior Management
Team Activity Report

The report from Senior Management was reviewed.

C698(10/28/08)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council schedules an Informal Council Discussion on December 2, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. CARRIED.

C699(10/28/08)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council holds the Informal Council Discussion in the Clear Hills County Council Chambers. CARRIED.

C700(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that Council accepts the Senior Management Team Activity Report of October 15, 2008 for information. CARRIED.**

Worsley Health Clinic Response Letter A response has been received from Tim Guest, Vice President, Support Services (Rural) with Alberta Health Services with regards to the Worsley Health Clinic services.

C701(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council accepts for information the response from Tim Guest, Vice President, Support Services (Rural) with Alberta Health Services regarding the Worsley Health Clinic services. CARRIED.**

CORPORATE SERVICES
Accounts Payable

The Accounts Payable report for the period from October 15, 2008 to October 28, 2008 was reviewed.

C702(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council tables the account payable item until after lunch. CARRIED.**

DELEGATION
Hon. Chris Warkentin, MP The Honorable Chris Warkentin, Member of Parliament, addressed Council at 12:00 a.m. to discuss current political issues and answer questions from Council.

Reeve Davis broke for lunch at 12:24 p.m.; the meeting reconvened at 12:55 p.m.

C703(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that Council accepts for information the discussion with Honorable Chris Warkentin, Member of Parliament, regarding current political issues. CARRIED.**

Kenda Dodds Kenda Dodds addressed Council at 1:00 p.m. regarding utility billing.

C704(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that Council goes in camera at 1:12 p.m. CARRIED.**

C705(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council comes out of camera at 1:20 p.m. CARRIED.**

Councillor Bigam withdrew from the meeting at 1:29 p.m.; Councillor Bigam returned to the meeting at 1:32 p.m.

C706(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Johnson that Council cut the July utility bill for Kenda Dodds in half and inform her that the outstanding July balance is due by January 31, 2009.
DEFEATED.

C707(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Bigam that Council reverse September and October penalties and allow six months for payment of the July utility bill for Kenda Dodds, provided she stays current with all other utility bills. **CARRIED.**

CORPORATE
SERVICES

C708(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Harcourt that Council goes in camera at 1:54 p.m. **CARRIED.**

C709(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Johnson that Council comes out of camera at 2:02 p.m. **CARRIED.**

C710(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Johnson that Council ratifies cheque no. 4124 for \$20,475.00. **CARRIED.**

C711(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Klassen that Council ratifies expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of October 15, 2008 to October 28, 2008 excluding cheque no. 4071 and cheque no. 4082 for a total of \$659,921.93. **CARRIED.**

Councillor Harcourt abstained from voting on the following resolution due to pecuniary interest.

C712(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Klassen that Council ratifies cheque no. 4071 for a total of \$349.58. **CARRIED.**

Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn abstained from voting on the following resolution due to pecuniary interest. Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn withdrew from the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

C713(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Moedt that Council ratifies cheque no. 4082 for a total of \$7,822.50. **CARRIED.**

Property Tax
Exemptions

The Cleardale Golf & Country Club, Hines Creek Golf & Country Club and Worsley Clear Hills Ski Club were last granted exemption status under the Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation for the taxation years 2005, 2006 and 2007. These groups have reapplied for this exemption.

C714(10/28/08)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council grants exempt status, under the Community Organizations Property Tax Exemption Regulation to Roll #117274 Cleardale Golf & Country Club, Roll #231300 Hines Creek Golf & Country Club and Roll #231217 Worsley Clear Hills Ski Club, for the taxation years 2008, 2009 and 2010. CARRIED.
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	No items on this agenda.
PUBLIC WORKS Traffic Counts	Council was provided with updated traffic count data for Clear Prairie Road Phase V.
C715(10/28/08)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Johnson that Council receives the updated traffic count data from October 2008 for Clear Prairie Road Phase V for information. CARRIED.
Visionary Border Request	A letter has been received from a hamlet resident requesting Council consider placing a visionary border along the County's compound (fence) to segregate the commercial and residential lots.
C716(10/28/08)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council takes no action on the request for a visionary border from Jill Ruecker. CARRIED.
Clear Hills Connector Road	A response has been received from Darcy Beach, Area Manager, Peace/Upper Hay Area with Sustainable Resource Development in regards to the Clear Hills Connector Road. Deputy Reeve Nykolyszyn returned to the meeting at 2:18 p.m.
C717(10/28/08)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council accepts for information the letter of reply from Darcy Beach, Area Manager, Peace/Upper Hay Area with Sustainable Resource Development in regards to the Clear Hills Connector Road and continue to request a meeting with Minister Morton in this regard. CARRIED.
CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS	
C718(10/28/08)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council goes in camera at 2:28 p.m. CARRIED.
2009 Gravel Purchase/Supply (Central & West)	This item was discussed in camera.

C719(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council comes out of camera at 3:00 p.m. **CARRIED.**

C720(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Johnson that Council approves the Agreement with Agroc Gravel Supply & Crushing Ltd. for the provision of 60,000 tonnes of 4:20 modified specification gravel at \$9.25 per tonne to Clear Hills County in preparation for the 2009 gravel season. **CARRIED.**

C721(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Klassen that Council directs administration to renegotiate the Agreement with Greg Conrad for the provision of 20,000 tonnes of 4:20 modified specification gravel at \$9.50 per tonne to Clear Hills County in preparation for the 2009 gravel season, plus the addition of a clause that he is responsible to develop a loop road for the trucks and a clause that he supplies 300 tonnes per mile of gravel to upgrade the access road to the pit. **CARRIED.**

**INFORMATION &
CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence was reviewed:

- North Peace Regional Landfill Correspondence
- Removal of Fridge and Freezer recycling fees
- Notice of extended hours usage
- Municipal Sustainability Initiative Funding approval
- Challenge North 2009 Sponsorship Request
- Alberta Employment, Immigration and Industry Highlights
- November 2008 - Seniors Fall Prevention Month
- Management Body Mandate and Affordable Seniors Housing Grants

Reeve Davis called for a recess at 3:02 p.m.; Reeve Davis reconvened the meeting at 3:14 p.m.

C722(10/28/08) **RESOLUTION** by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council accepts the correspondence presented at the October 28, 2008 meeting for information. **CARRIED.**

COUNCIL REPORTS

Council reported on the various meetings, conferences, etc. they attended:

Reeve Davis: Attended the Council Road Tour, Railway Meeting, AESA Meeting, Clear Hills Connector Road Operating Committee Meeting, Budget Meetings, ASB Meeting, AUMA Conference, NCDC Conference and Grimshaw Gravels Aquifer Meeting.

Deputy Reeve Nykolyszyn: Attended AUMA Conference, NCDC Conference, DMI Meeting, Clear Hills Connector Road Operating Committee Meeting, Council Road Tour and Budget Meetings.

Councillor Bigam: Attended a Meeting with Alberta Health and Wellness, conducted a landfill inspection, Library Consultation, NCDC Conference, Clear Creek Fire Commission Meeting, Council Road Tour, Worsley Health Council Meeting, Peace Library System Executive Meeting, Budget Meetings and MPC Meetings.

Councillor Harcourt: Attended the AUMA Conference, NCDC Conference, Clear Creek Fire Commission Meeting, Branding the Peace Meeting, Council Road Tour, Budget Meetings, Council and P&P Meeting.

Councillor Johnson: Attended the NCDC Conference, Clear Hills Connector Road Operating Committee Meeting, Budget Meetings, Council Road Tour, Cherry Canyon Ag. Society, P&P Meetings and Council Meetings.

Councillor Klassen: Attended the AUMA Conference, NCDC Conference, Cleardale Ag. Society Meeting, Council Road Tour, P&P Meeting and Budget Meetings.

Councillor Moedt: Attended P&P Meetings, Clear Hills Connector Road Operating Committee Meeting, Rural Crime Watch Meeting, AUMA Conference, NCDC Conference, Assessment Appeal Board Hearing and Council Road Tour.

C723(10/28/08)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Council accepts for information the Council reports. CARRIED.

REVIEW of
CALENDARS

Council reviewed upcoming meetings and conference dates and updated calendars.

ADJOURNMENT
C724(10/28/08)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that Council adjourns the regular Council meeting of October 28, 2008 at 3:29 p.m. CARRIED.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER