

TOWN OF RIMBEY

TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON  
TUESDAY MARCH 18TH, 2008 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE TOWN  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.**

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Call to Order the  
Regular Council  
Meeting

Mayor Dale Barr called the regular council meeting to order at 5:35 pm with the following in attendance:

Mayor Dale Barr  
Councillor David Karroll  
Councillor Dave Huff  
Councillor Kathy Davies  
Councillor Wayne Clark  
Town Manager – Russ Wardrope  
Municipal Treasurer – Bernice Birtsch  
Recreation Director – Rick Kreklewich  
Recording Secretary – Melissa Beebe

Regular Council  
Meeting Minutes

Motion 82/08

Moved by Councillor Clark that the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Adoption of Agenda

Motion 83/08

Moved by Councillor Karroll to accept the agenda with the following additions:

New Business

- 9.8 Duncan & Craig LLP – Robert Noce Firm Change
- 9.9 Municipal Census

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Municipal Treasurer's  
Report

The Municipal Treasurer presented the Financial Statement for the month ending February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

Motion 84/08

Moved by Councillor Huff to accept the Financial Report for the month ending February 2008 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Recreation Services  
Report

Recreation Director, Rick Kreklewich, presented the Recreation Services report on the following:

- An amendment to the current in-house catering policy has been prepared for review.
- Ice plant shutdown is scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup> and ice removal will begin on April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Bull riding event, promoted by Mark Van Tienhoven, will be held on April 5<sup>th</sup> in the arena.
- Potential candidate for the Pool Manager position has been found and will interview next week.
- Hanging baskets have been ordered from Holly's Greenhouse and will be ready for placement at the end of May or early June (as weather permits).

Motion 85/08

Moved by Councillor Davies to accept recreation report as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Tire Recycling  
Program Grant –  
Deadline March 31,  
2008

Administration provided an overview of the Tire Recycling grant. Discussion entailed that the project that is chosen should maximize the full potential of the matching grant. Administration will look into a community project that will maximize the tire recycling grant.

Motion 86/08

Moved by Councillor Karroll that administration look into a community project that is suitable to maximize the tire recycling grant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

In House Catering  
Policy #2203

Recreation Director, Rick Kreklewich, presented an overview of the revised In-House Catering Policy #2203.

Motion 87/08

Moved by Councillor Clark to adopt the revised In-House Catering Policy #2203.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Bylaw 826/08 – Tax  
Incentives Residential  
Rental  
Accommodations

Municipal Treasurer, Bernice Birtsch, presented Bylaw 826/08 to provide property Tax Incentives for new residential rental accommodations.

Motion 88/08

Moved by Councillor Huff that Bylaw No. 826/08 to provide property Tax Incentives for new residential rental accommodations be given first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 89/08

Moved by Councillor Clark that Bylaw No. 826/08 be given second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 90/08

Moved by Councillor Karroll that Bylaw No. 826/08 be given consideration for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Motion 91/08

Moved by Councillor Davies that Bylaw No. 826/08 be given third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Bylaw No. 827/08 –  
Property Tax  
Incentives for New  
Commercial and  
Industrial  
Development

Municipal Treasurer, Bernice Birtsch, presented Bylaw No. 827/08 property tax incentives for new commercial and industrial development.

Motion 92/08

Moved by Councillor Karroll that Bylaw No. 827/08 property tax incentives for new commercial and industrial development be given first reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Motion 93/08

Moved by Councillor Davies that Bylaw No 827/08 be given second reading

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Motion 94/08

Moved by Councillor Clark that Bylaw No 827/08 be given consideration for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Motion 95/08

Moved by Councillor Huff that Bylaw No 827/08 be given third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Seniors Week  
Proclamation for  
June 2-8, 2008

Motion 96/08

Moved by Councillor Karroll to proclaim June 2 - 8 as Seniors' Week.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Land Use Infraction

Administration provided an overview of the Land Use Infraction of a barn that was illegally constructed on town property. Legal counsel has been sought and an order has been drafted to have the building removed and will be hand delivered by the RCMP.

Motion 97/08

Moved by Councillor Huff to receive Land Use Infraction as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Garbage Contract

Tender call went out to four service providers. Interest was expressed but as of due date the only bid received was from the current provider. This contract would run for another three years from April 1, 2008 to Mar 31, 2011 and the Transfer site will be open an additional day which would be 3 times a week.

Motion 98/08

Moved by Councillor Davies to support a new contract agreement for the garbage with Nikirk Bros. Ltd.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Rural Development  
Fund Grant  
Application

The Rimbey Health Care Centre and the local physicians have expressed their desire to have an ALS Ambulance service capacity. An Expression of Interest for a Rural Development Fund Grant will be submitted to run a three year trial project. Costs to run this project would be approximately \$300,000 with funding split between Rimbey Hospital, DTHR, Rural Development Fund, and the Town.

Motion 99/08

Moved by Councillor Huff for Administration to continue with the Rural Development Grant Fund application for Ambulance upgrade service to ALS.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Rimbey District  
Horticulture –  
Request for Donation

The Rimbey and District Horticulture are volunteering their time to plant flowers up at the park and are requesting a donation from the town towards the purchase of bedding plants for the park.

Motion 100/08

Moved by Councillor Clark to donate \$500.00 for the purchase of flower plants for the park.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Duncan & Craig LLP  
– Robert Noce Firm  
Change

On March 28<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Robert Noce will be leaving Duncan & Craig LLP to join the firm of Miller Thomson LLP. A Letter of Authority is required stating if the Town would like Mr. Noce to continue to represent the Town. To maintain continuity it is recommended to continue to have Robert Noce as the Rimbey Legal Counsel.

Motion 101/08

Moved by Councillor Clark that Robert Noce continue to represent the Town.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

## Municipal Census

Administration presented options on conducting a census survey for the Town of Rimbey. A coordinator, who would be responsible for hiring and training the enumerator, is required. The length of time required to complete the census would be approximately 18 days, this would allow for about 50 homes a day to be done by an enumerator.

Motion 102/08

Moved by Councillor Karroll to conduct a census from April to June with a value to be decided by Administration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

## Reports - Council

The following reports were provided by Council:

## Councillor Karroll

- Guest Speaker at the Chamber Annual General Meeting

## Councillor Clark

- Judge at a Public Speaking competition at the school
- Attended a Pandemic Meeting with Disaster Services

## Councillor Davies

- Nothing to Report

## Councillor Huff

- Attended Chamber Annual General Meeting
- Rimoka issues being resolved

## Mayor Dale Barr

- Attended Mayor's Symposium
- Attended the Irish Gala

Motion 103/08

Moved by Councillor Karroll to accept Mayor and Council reports

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Reports – Town  
Manager

The Town Manager provided a report on the following:

- Awaiting Chamber of Commerce decision on coordination of highway commercial signage.
- To facilitate completion and submission of the long range infrastructure program by the end of March, it is recommended that the Capital Budget overview be conducted on March 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am with any members of Council who can attend.
- Public Works back hoe developed an engine rattle and with further investigation revealed that one of the pistons had disintegrated for reasons unknown. Repair has been ordered at a cost of approximately \$7,500.00.

Motion 104/08

Moved by Councillor Clark to accept Town Manager's report as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

## Information Items

Motion 105/08

Moved by Councillor Davies that the following items be accepted as information:

- AUMA Contact Newsletter – February 29, 2008

- AUMA Contact Newsletter – March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008
- AUMA Notes to Council – February 2008
- DTHR Health Symposium
- CAMRIF Letter Re: Rimbey Northwest Reservoir
- Telus Communications VS Alberta Municipal Affairs
- Alberta Environment – Operational Assistance Pilot Program
- FCM Members' Advisory – February 26, 2008

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Recess

Mayor Barr called a short recess at 7:25 pm.

Recreation Director, Rick Kreklewich, and Municipal Treasurer, Bernice Birtsch, withdrew from meeting.

Reconvene

Mayor Barr called meeting back to order at 7:35 pm

In Camera

Mayor Barr asked that the meeting go into camera to discuss development.

Motion 106/08

Moved by Councillor Clark that the meeting move into camera at 7:37 pm with all council present.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Out of Camera

Motion 107/08

Moved by Councillor Clark that the meeting move out of camera at 8:13 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

Adjournment

Motion 108/08

Moved by Councillor Davies that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

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MAYOR

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TOWN MANAGER