



**Minutes of the Village of Cremona Regular Council Meeting held on
Tuesday, September 19, 2017 – Commencing at 7:00 p.m.**

Present: Mayor, T. Hagen; **Deputy Mayor:** S. Temple
Councillors: M. Bigelow, R. Reid; J. Shi
Chief administrative Officer: L. Smith
Corporate Services Coordinator: S. Ryan

12 members of the public including delegations were in attendance.

AGENDA

Res. 167-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council accept the Agenda as presented.

Carried

MINUTES

3 a) July 18, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

The July 18, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes were presented to Council for their review and approval.

Res. 168-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council accept the July 18, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes as amended.

Carried

3 b) Minutes from Committees, Commissions and Boards

Council was provided with the following minutes for their review and information:

- June 26, 2017 Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission
- August 8, 2017 Special Meeting of Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission
- August 31, 2017 Unapproved MPC Meeting
- September 5, 2017 FCSS Advisory Board
- June 23, July 31 & August 25, 2017 SAEWA Board Meetings and August 25 Key Discussion Points

Res. 169-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council accept the minutes of the June 26, 2017 Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission, the August 8, 2017 Special Meeting of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission; the August 31, 2017 unapproved Municipal Planning Commission; the June 23, July 31 & August 25, 2017 SAEWA Board Meetings and August 25 Key Discussion Points and the September 5, 2017 FCSS Advisory Board as information only.

Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

No items.

DELEGATIONS

5 a) Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission

In order to help explain the change in the 2018 budget of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission, the Chair and Vice-Chair asked to attend the Council Meeting.

Res. 170-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council thank the delegation of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission for providing information to the Village of Cremona Council on the budget options for the commission's 2018 budget.

Carried

5 b) Bob McDougall

Mr. McDougall asked to speak with Council regarding a proposal to extend the Nature Trail.

- Res. 171-17 MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council thank Mr. McDougall for providing information to the Village of Cremona Council on the extension of the Nature Trail and ask that he submit a proposal with more information.

Carried

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No public hearings.

BYLAWS & POLICIES

7 a) 475-17 Designated Officer for the position Assessor

In July the Village had an Assessment Audit done by Municipal Affairs. It was determined from this meeting that the Village needs to rescind the old Bylaw appointing Frank Watson as the Village's Assessor and create a new bylaw to establish the position of designated officer to carry out the duties and responsibilities of assessor for the Village of Cremona.

- Res. 172-17 MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council grant first reading to Designated Officer for the position Assessor Bylaw 475-17 on the 19th day of September 2017.

Carried

- Res. 173-17 MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council grant second reading to Designated Officer for the position Assessor Bylaw 475-17 on the 19th day of September 2017.

Carried

- Res. 174-17 MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council grant unanimous consent to proceed to a third and final reading to Designated Officer for the position Assessor Bylaw 475-17 on the 19th day of September 2017.

Carried

- Res. 175-17 MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council grant third and final reading to Designated Officer for the position Assessor Bylaw 475-17 on the 19th day of September 2017.

Carried Unanimously

- Res. 176-17 MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council rescind Bylaw 347-01.

Carried

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

9 a) Benefit Review

The CAO undertook a review of the staff's benefit plan. A line by line comparison of potential savings per employee was done by Lane Quinn.

The Village of Cremona invited our current providers AMSC and Lane Quinn Benefit Consultants Ltd. to do a benefit review of providers that suit the needs of our employees while maintaining our current level of benefits. Lane Quinn Benefits Consultants Ltd. did this free of charge and submitted comparisons to us for the following providers:

Alberta Blue Cross, Equitable Life, Co-operators, Desjardines Financial, Great West Life, GreenShield/La Capitale, Industrial Alliance, Manulife Financial; and Group Source.

After examining these benefits, it was concluded that Group Source was best suited for the Village of Cremona with a savings of \$3,276 per year.

- Res. 177-17** **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council approves the change of benefit provider from AMSC to Group Source; and to add Jennie Thompson to the benefit program.

Carried

9 b) Organizational Meeting Date Change

In accordance with Section 192(1) of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) except in a summer village, a council must hold an organizational meeting annually not later than 2 weeks after the 3rd Monday in October. Due to the election and other meeting commitments, Council approved to have the Organizational Meeting in November. After speaking with a Municipal Advisor at Municipal Affairs, they stated that is must be held within that 2 week period after the 3rd Monday of October.

- Res. 178-17** **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council approve to hold the Swearing in of the new Village of Cremona Council, Organizational Meeting and Regular Council Meeting on October 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Carried

9 c) New Cemetery Maintenance

Marjorie McKinnon former committee member of the new cemetery submitted a letter to Council regarding the improper maintenance and enforcement of the Cemetery Bylaw 385-05.

- Res. 179-17** **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council accept the New Cemetery Maintenance request as information and direct the CAO to include an additional \$2000 in the 2018 budget for increased maintenance at the New Cemetery.

Carried

9 d) 2018 FORTIS Franchise Fees

As part of the Village's Electrical Distribution System Franchise Agreement with FortisAlberta Council has the annual ability to increase, **decrease or keep the franchise fee the same**, with written notice.

If Council is proposing an increase or decrease to the franchise fee, a resulting impact to the customer's annual billing is required to be advertised in the local newspaper having the widest circulation within the municipality for two consecutive weeks.

If increasing the franchise fee, it must stay within the current Franchise Fee Cap of 20%.

Council has not increased the Franchise Fee for several years.

- Res. 180-17** **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council approve for the 2018 Franchise Fees with FORTIS Alberta to remain at 10%.

Carried

9 e) Sub-Agreements for Intermunicipal Collaborative Framework

The ICF Master Agreement with Mountain View County was signed August 24, 2017. The attached sub agreements will complement the Master Agreement and were recommended to be submitted to the respective Councils by the ICC Committee on August 24th.

Res. 181-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council approve the Mountain View County and Village of Cremona Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Sub-Agreement.

Carried

Res. 182-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council approve the Mountain View County and Village of Cremona Shared Facilities Sub-Agreement.

Carried

9 f) Appointment of Municipal Assessor

Section 284.2(1) of the MGA defines an assessor as a person who has the qualifications set out in the regulations and is appointed by a municipality to the position of designated officer to carry out the duties and responsibilities of an assessor under the MGA. Once a bylaw establishing the position of Assessor as a designated officer is passed, a specific individual may be appointed to the position.

Res. 183-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council appoint Mr. Stephen Washington, with Wild Rose Assessment Services as the Municipal Assessor for the Village of Cremona.

Carried

9 g) Water Valley Playschool Request

The 14th Annual Water Valley Playschool Ladies Night Out fund raiser is on October 2th. They are looking for sponsors and items for the silent auction.

Res. 184-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council approve the request for donation and sponsorship for the 14th Annual Ladies Night Out fundraiser of the Water Valley Playschool in the amount of \$500.

Carried

9 h) Cremona/Water Valley Chamber of Commerce Highway Sign

Mr. Don Carveth provided examples of the Highway Signs which will be installed on Highways 580 and 22.

Res. 185-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council approve the highway signage as presented by the Cremona/Water Chamber of Commerce.

Carried

10 a) Financial Reports

The monthly financial reports for the period ending August 31, 2017 were presented for Council's review and information.

Res. 186-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council accept the Financial Reports for the period ending August 31, 2017 as information only.

Carried

10 b) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Once a month the Chief Administrative Officer provides an update on the happenings of the Village since the previous Council meeting.

Res. 187-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council accept the CAO Report for September 19, 2017 as information only.

Carried

10 c) Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission

Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission provided reports for Council's review and information.

Res. 188-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council accept the Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet as at June 30, 2017; and the Business Plan 2017-2022 for the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission as information only.

Carried

11 CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION

No correspondence was provided.

NEXT MEETING

This information was dealt with on 9 b).

OPEN FORUM

Mayor Hagen: announced that Fire Prevention Week is October 4th to 8th. He also wanted the public to know that the show & shine had 162 entries compared to 152 last year. A total of \$2105.95 for the food bank raised in cash and food donations. All the proceeds of the registration go to the food bank.

Linda Newsome: thanked the Village for the use of the streets for the Show & Shine. She wanted to know who was in charge of the group signs in the two entrances into the Village. Many of them need replacement. She also congratulated Bonnie Scribner in being elected to office. Ms. Newsome encouraged everyone to come to the Open Forum for Candidates on October 2, 2017 at 7 pm at the Cremona Community Hall. The School Board Trustee's and County Council candidates have been invited. Cremona Councillors and Mayor said they would also attend.

Karen Beckman: stated that this council has done a decent job over the past four years and gave his congratulations.

Ken Newsome: asked council if they were planning on selling any of the fill that came from the 2017 street work as he would be interested in buying some.

Larry Steeves: asked if the Village planned on removing the boulders along 1st Street East at Anniversary Park. He also asked that the CAO speak with the developer of the lands north of 3rd Street. Finally he stated that the Lions Auction and Garage Sale is on November 4.

IN-CAMERA / RECONVENE

Res. 190-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council go in-camera at 8:16 p.m.

Carried

Res. 191-17 **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council come out of in-camera at 9:05 p.m.

Carried

14 a) Land

A local business owner provided a letter and discussed with Council about fill from the 2017 Street program being dumped on his property.

- Res. 192-17** **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council direct Administration to remove the fill inadvertently placed on lands not owned by the Village; and that the Village is to cover the cost of removing the fill placed on lands owned located at 415 Railway Avenue; and that the owners land be brought back to the same or better condition prior to the dumping of fill.

Carried

14 b) Personnel

A resident provided correspondence regarding the Cremona Municipal Library Board and their hiring practices.

- Res. 193-17** **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Temple that Council send a letter to the resident and the Cremona Municipal Library Board in response to concerns over hiring practices and that the Cremona Municipal Library Board review and update their policy and procedures on hiring practice.

Carried

14 c) Legal

The land owners of Lots 2, Block D, Plan 0913234 decided to move forward with their subdivision beginning with 9 lots. In consideration of the stormwater concerns, it was discussed at a previous council in-camera discussion that a stormwater pond would not be required for 9 lots.

- Res. 194-17** **MOTION:** Moved by Councillor Reid that Council approves the request on stormwater pond waiver for Phase 1 of a 9 Lot Subdivision for Lands known as Lot 2, Block D, Plan 0913234 (429 3rd Street East) and that there is to be no overland water diversion included in the subdivision application.

Carried

14 d) Land

Mayor Hagen, Deputy Mayor Temple, Councillor Reid and CAO Luana Smith had an Intermunicipal Collaborative Committee meeting on August 24th. Information was provided to Council for their review and information.

5 a) Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission

Res. 195-17 MOTION: Moved by Councillor Bigelow

WHEREAS the Village of Cremona Council upon hearing the presentation from the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission deems that the information presented as not being accurate;

WHEREAS the request made by the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission delegation will result in the Commission to act outside the mandate of the Commission as approved within the Mission Statement and Business Plan and the resulting Ministerial Order which states the formation of the Commission to provide an integrated waste management service to all residents of Mountain View County and member municipality within Mountain View County;

WHEREAS the recommended resolution brought to the Village of Cremona Council was not provided in writing prior to the meeting and was changed during the meeting;

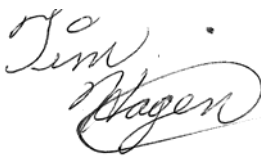
NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Cremona that the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission become an active and supportive member of the Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association which will provide representation to all commission members, there by fulfilling an integral part of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission mandate and Bylaw 01-15; the Village of Cremona will agree to approve for the 2018 budget year only, to receive additional outside tonnage based on verified three-year average tonnage that would have been received from Mountain View County and shall not exceed 10,000 tonnes.

Carried unanimously

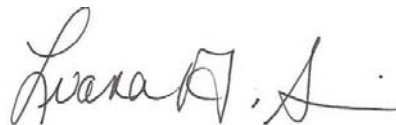
ADJOURNMENT

Res. 196-17 MOTION: Moved by Councillor Bigelow that Council adjourn from the Village of Cremona Regular Council Meeting on the 19 day of September, 2017 at 9:25 p.m.

Carried



Mayor, Tim Hagen



CAO, Luana Smith