



**TOWN OF HINTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
October 21, 2014**

PRESENT: Mayor Rob Mackin, Councillors Dale Currie, Ryan Maguhn, Marcel Michaels, Stuart Taylor, Glen Barrow, Matthew Young

ABSENT:

SECRETARY: Lil Wallace - Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Schwirtz - Town Manager
Denise Parent - Director of Corporate Services
Rhonda West - Legislative & Administrative Services Coordinator

ORDER

Mayor Rob Mackin called the Regular Council meeting to order. The time was 5:38 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

D. CURRIE - That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting held October 21, 2014 be adopted as presented.

Carried

CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"

George Higgerty and Jennifer Benson of 559 Mountain Street, Hinton appeared before council to request bylaw changes so their neighbor at 555 Mountain Street can be forced to stop burning his wood stove. They also feel the stove, which they state is used as a furnace, could benefit with an after-burner or re-burner installed. They indicated they are now agreeable to a mediated meeting between the two parties and Administration will work to schedule this. Council asked to be kept informed.

Joan Janeczko spoke to council to advise that Hinton Adult Learning is in the process of starting a newcomer's group as they are realizing there are a lot of newcomers in our community. She asked that if council knows anyone, to send them their direction. She will be hosting coffee sessions. Councillor Young asked her to provide information to Lil Wallace, Executive Assistant, so it can be entered in council's calendar schedules.

Joan Janeczko also wanted to thank council for the job they are doing and she wanted to remind them that some decisions will not make everyone happy.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Stars Ambulance - Presented by Glenda Farnden

Glenda Farnden, with Stars Ambulance, stated she wanted to bring council's attention to what Stars Ambulance does and how it helps the Hinton and Northern Alberta areas. She then provided details about their organization with usage statistics. In response to council's questions, she advised that there are two locations for their helicopters to land in town (the Hinton Training Centre and Highland Helicopters). Snow removal is a factor in the ability to land

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so they are diverted to the airport, which is where they land the majority of time. The patient is ground transferred to the airport and then flown to Edmonton. However, the stretchers are not compatible from ambulance to helicopter, a changeover has to take place and there is the time factor to take into consideration. She also pointed out that if the ambulance is helping Stars, then they are not available to take other calls until the transfer is complete. She asked that town council provide a \$2.00 per capita commitment to help finance Stars Ambulance. Donations make up 70% of their operating budget.

R. MAGUHN - That the Stars Ambulance request be included in the budget deliberations for 2015.

Carried

COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

1. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes - October 7, 2014
2. Standing Committee of Council Minutes - October 14, 2014

M. YOUNG - That the Minutes listed above be approved as presented.

Carried

ACTION ITEMS

Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for [October 21, 2014](#) for detailed background information on these decisions.

1. Encroachment Agreement Policy and Fees

The following motion was made by Councillor Matthew Young:

“That this matter be referred back to Standing Committee for further review and discussion.”

After further discussion, Councillor Young withdrew his motion.

M. MICHAELS - That Council adopt revised Encroachment Policy #048 as attached.

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M. MICHAELS - That Council, by resolution, amend Schedule “A” of Bylaw 1050 as amended. Minor encroachments fee to be \$50.00.

Carried

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Council Information Package #1 - previously circulated October 8, 2014
2. Council Information Package #2 - previously circulated October 15, 2014

G. BARROW - That Council Information Packages #1 and # 2 be accepted for information.

Carried

REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, TOWN MANAGER

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1. Council Reporting (Training/Conferences/CEAC, Listening Teams, All Other Committees)

Councillors reported on the various committees, meetings and activities they attended since the last Regular Council meeting and what they plan on attending in the coming weeks.

2. Town Manager Report

Town Manager Mike Schwirtz provided an update on administrative matters.

MOVE IN CAMERA

M. MICHAELS - That the Regular Council meeting move in camera.

Carried

The time was 7:12 p.m. The mayor then called a short recess, during which time Councillor Ryan Maguhn left the meeting to attend to a personal matter. The meeting then reconvened at 7:15 p.m.

M. YOUNG - That Regular Council meeting revert to regular session.

Carried

The time was 7:48 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

M. MICHAELS - That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.

Carried

The time was 7:49 p.m.



Mayor



Director of Corporate Services

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