



TOWN OF HINTON
Standing Committee of Council Meeting
JANUARY 8, 2013

PRESENT: Mayor Ian Duncan, Deputy Mayor Dale Currie
Councillors Bill Bulger, Janice Callihoo, Dale Currie,
Lorraine Johnston-MackKay,

ABSENT: Councillors Jane Macridis and Ryan Maguhn

SECRETARY: Lil Wallace - Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Bernie Kreiner - Town Manager
Rhonda West - Legislative & Administrative Services Coordinator
Denise Parent – Director of Corporate Services

ORDER

Deputy Mayor Dale Currie called the Standing Committee Meeting to order. The time was 11:32 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There was consensus to accept the Standing Committee Meeting Agenda of January 8, 2013 with the following addition:

- Action Item #2 "Financial Comparisons".

ACTION ITEMS

Refer to the Standing Committee Meeting Agenda package for January 8, 2013 for detailed background information on these decisions.

Future of Potable Water Treatment Responsibility in the Town of Hinton

There was consensus to support the Town's "Ask" of West Fraser and consensus was given to proceed with next steps as set out in section E. of the report.

Municipal Financial Comparisons

Bernie presented several charts showing the town's financial status in comparison to several other communities. The late handout has been posted to the town's website as part of the 2013 budget package available for public review. Council thanked staff for preparing this budget package, stating it was well put together and understandable.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Urgent Matters from Council and Town Manager

- Deputy Fire Chief has resigned so recruitment to fill this position will commence shortly.
- The recent Hinton United Way campaign resulted in a 4,640.00 contribution by staff.
- Plainsman has now purchased property in Thompson Lake area and the deal has closed. They are new developers in town and have advised they are interested in multi-family plans.


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- Council was advised that over 30 hours (as of today) by town employees have been spent researching questions recently for two Hinton citizens.

Executive Assistant Logistics Information

Upcoming event logistics were discussed.

IN CAMERA (if necessary)

J. CALLIHOO - That Standing Committee move in camera.

Carried

The time was 12:35 p.m.

RECONVENE

B. BULGER - That Standing Committee revert to regular session.

Carried

The time was 1:50 p.m.

Councillor Lorraine Johnston-MacKay advised council that two people phoned her to state their appreciation for garbage pickup services during Christmas. Also, she advised that she observed contractors putting their waste in garbage bins and asked the procedure to follow in reporting this. Mr. Kreiner advised her to call bylaw services.


Councillor Bill Bulger advised council that a citizen had called him enquiring about an air quality monitoring station to alert citizens of bad air conditions. Citizens can go on to the West Central Airshed Monitor Society of Alberta webpage (www.wcas.ca) to obtain air quality data.

ADJOURNMENT

B. BULGER - That Standing Committee Meeting of Council adjourn.

Carried

The time was 1:56 p.m.



Deputy Mayor



Director of Corporate Services


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