

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
THURSDAY, February 8, 2018
Village of Czar Office

7:00 P.M. The regular meeting of council of the village of Czar was held in the village office On February 8, 2018 and was called to order by Mayor Large.

PRESENT

Present were Mayor Large and Councilor Manning as well as CAO Bobbi Usselman.

AGENDA

05/18 MOVED by Cr. Manning that the agenda be approved with the following Additions

3. a) January Financial Statements
5. b) Joint Meeting
6. e) MD of Provost – Bylaw Officer Report
f) Parkland Library
8. b) Tractor
c) Insurance
d) Norbert

MINUTES

06/18 MOVED by Cr. Manning that the minutes of the January 2018 regular meeting be approved as presented.

Carried

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

07/18 MOVED by Cr. Large that the financial statements dated January 2018 be approved as presented.

Carried

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Equipment Tractor was reported to have what was thought to be a hydraulic leak on January 30, 2018. Brian Cooper was called to determine and fix the problem Camrose Dynamic considered the issue and estimated that it would cost \$9,500 to fix. Tractor was taken to Camrose Dynamic on February 7, 2018 by Stephen Large Trucking. Problem was determined to be cracked clutch housing. The clutch will be replaced at the same time as the repairs are being done. The cost may still be in the same range as original quote and there are other repairs to be considered at the same time.

Stephen Large Stephen Large Trucking submitted price list for snow removal costs while the tractor is down should we need assistance.
Cat Loader - \$120.00/hr.
Cat Grader - \$170.00/hr.
Dump Trucks - \$120.00/hr.

Bell Bell – Bell was noticed missing Monday February 5, 2018. Incident was reported to the RCMP along with pictures.

Snow Removal Some complaints have been logged about ridges being left when the snow was plowed while Norbert Bedier has been away. These areas have been dealt with. These are the areas that are left to consider.

1. Brant Eldering dumpster is blocked in

2. Snow was moved off of Brooks’ sidewalk
3. Drain on the east side of the gas station needs to be uncovered.
4. Serwachak’s have a pile of snow by their driveway, and there is a pile beside the manor which will need to be moved before it starts to melt to avoid flooding at Serwachak’s.

Fire Extinguishers Library fire extinguisher is up to date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Hillcrest | Provost Senior Citizens Foundation Minutes were reviewed and filed. |
| Joint Meeting | Cr. Large reported on the Joint Meeting that she attended along with Bobbi Usselman on January 25 th at the Village of Czar Fire Hall. Attendees were in agreement with most of the joint agreements that are in place. MGA amendments were discussed. The need for consistent volunteer coverage is required for the West End Fire Department participants. The MD of Provost will determine the coverage that is to be in place. |

CORRESPONDENCE

| | |
|-------------|--|
| Award | Ministers Awards for Municipal Excellence. Award was discussed and no nomination will be sent in for 2018. |
| HPS | Letter from the Hughenden Public School requesting a donation to the Diabetes Spin a Thon. Discussion occurred and it was decided that it was not the place of the Village of Czar to be involved as we are quite removed from the issue. |
| 08/18 | MOVED by Cr. Manning that the Village of Czar does not donate to the HPS Diabetes Spin a Thon. <div>Carried</div> |
| Farm Safety | Letter from the Farm Safety Centre requesting funds to the Farm Safety Program that available in the schools. Discussion occurred that the funding should come from a more rural source. |
| 09/18 | MOVED by Cr. Large that the Village of Czar does not contribute to the Farm Safety Centre <div>Carried</div> |
| CLB | Letter from the Czar Lake Bullarama requesting sponsorship. Discussion occurred regarding the event and the involvement of the Village of Czar due to proximity. |
| 10/18 | MOVED by Cr. Manning that the Village of Czar donate at the silver sponsor level again for 2018. <div>Carried</div> |
| Parkland | The Parkland Regional Library would like to have the member communities contribute to the building of a new head office. Discussion ensued that it was not the place of the Village of Czar to contribute to a facility that is not directly in the Village. |
| 11/18 | MOVED by Cr. Large that the Village of Czar will not be contributing to the Parkland Regional Library head office building. <div>Carried</div> |

OLD BUSINESS

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Credit Card | New cards are still in the process. Holidays put the request behind. Should have something new to work with soon. |
| MDP | New Cost estimate from Municipal Planning Services Ltd. was reviewed. The |

| | |
|-----------|---|
| | <p>Village of Hughenden and the Village of Amisk are going to cost share with the Village of Czar. Total cost to complete a Municipal Development Plan is estimated at \$13,535.00 for the Village of Czar. This is to complete the plan in its entirety. There is funding available for this project through the Alberta Community Partnership Grant, as the Village of Czar is under a population of 3,500 and did not have an MDP in force as of December 9, 2016. The grant funding available is \$20,000</p> |
| 12/18 | <p>MOVED by Cr. Manning that the Village of Czar hire Municipal Planning Services Ltd. To complete the entire Municipal Development Plan at a cost of \$13,525.00 and that the Alberta Community Partnership Grant be applied for and utilized for this purpose.</p> <p>Carried</p> |
| Peterson | <p>On February 1, 2018, an email was received from Darrell Peterson abandoning their FOIP request formally. A letter of response was issued. They have 6 months to re-open the request without paying another initial fee. All documentation is in the file and copies of all documentation have been forwarded to the lawyer.</p> |
| CP Rail | <p>CP Rail requested and independent consultant are done to determine the safety of the railroad crossing. The first cost estimate was from Watts and it was \$4,500.00. A discussion ensued to determine the validity of spending that kind of money on a consult when the entire project had a budget of \$7,000.00. It was determined that we speak with Enbridge, and see if we can re allocate the funds to another project. A possible option could be some playground equipment. Bobbi Usselman to investigate costs with Blue Imp and report back to council with costs, along with the answer from Enbridge.</p> |
| Blast Off | <p>A letter was sent to Brad Ansley at Blast Off Alberta speaking of the problems that were occurring with his sandblasting business. A copy of the letter was reviewed and filed.</p> |
| Trees | <p>The trees have been cut down along the Czar Rec Centre property, directly along 49th Avenue. Information from Cerise Bartley of Bartley's Homegrown was reviewed. It was determined that we will ask Len Bartley to quote the job to remove the stumps, prep the tree bed, plant the trees and bring mulch to finish the tree bed appropriately.</p> |
| 13/18 | <p>MOVED by Cr. Large that we purchase 5 or 6 Maple Amur Flame Trees from Bartley's Homegrown at a cost pf \$144.00 each.</p> <p>Carried</p> |

NEW BUSINESS

| | |
|-----------|--|
| West End | <p>West End Fire Budget was reviewed.</p> |
| 14/18 | <p>MOVED by Cr. Large that the budget of the West End Fire Department be approved as presented for the 2018 year.</p> <p>Carried.</p> |
| Tractor | <p>Two Quotes were reviewed for the purpose of purchasing a new tractor.</p> <p>Informal Quote from Camrose Dynamic and a Formal Quote from Battle River Implements were presented. Grant options to pay for a new tractor were discussed.</p> <p>Council determined that a cost of a snow bucket and a zero turn mower be questioned from Battle River Implements. Bobbi Usselman to speak with Camrose Dynamic as well to determine a price on our current tractor. No decision was made on either bid as it stands.</p> |
| Insurance | <p>The AMCS Insurance policy was reviewed and discussed.</p> |

Norbert

Norbert Bedier had open heart surgery on January 25, 2018.

15/18

MOVED by Cr. Manning that a gift certificate from the Fireside Restaurant be purchased for Norbert as a get well gift.

Carried

MAYOR

CAO