

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE  
TOWN OF BONNYVILLE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA  
HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2017  
COMMENCING AT 6:00 P.M.**

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**PRESENT**

Mayor Gene Sobolewski, Councillors: Lorna Storoschuk,  
John Irwin, Rene Van Brabant, Jim Cheverie and Nestor  
Kunec

**REGRETS**

Councillor Ray Prevost

**STAFF**

Mark Power, Chief Administrative Officer, Bill Rogers,  
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Renee Stoyles,  
Director of Finance, and Tracy Ghostkeeper, Executive  
Assistant

**PRESS**

Josh Thomas, Bonnyville Nouvelle  
Chris Hunter, Country 99 FM  
Kyle Moore, KOOL FM  
Jenna Colbourne, Lakeland Connect

**GUESTS**

Chamber of Commerce – Robyn Ducharme and Tanya  
Oliver

RCMP - S/Sgt Louis Gandolfi and Cst. Matt Nadeau

Chad Colbourne, Andrea Yaremie, Elissa Brosseau

**REGULAR MEETING OF  
COUNCIL**

Mayor Gene Sobolewski called the Regular Meeting of  
Council to order at 6:02 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF  
REGULAR COUNCIL  
MEETING – May 23, 2017**

141 **Moved by Councillor Rene Van Brabant** that the agenda  
for the May 23, 2017 Regular Council meeting be adopted  
with the addition of:

6. e) Invitation – Bonnyville Mental Health 2017 Golf  
Tournament – June 9, 2017 – Walk On

6. f) Bonnyville Senior Citizens Society Fish Fry – June 10,  
2017- Walk On

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF  
REGULAR COUNCIL  
MEETING – May 9, 2017**

142 **Moved by Councillor John Irwin** that the minutes of the  
May 9, 2017 Regular Council meeting be adopted as  
presented.

**CARRIED**



**Delegation – Bonnyville &  
District Chamber of  
Commerce – Sponsorship  
Opportunity with the 2017  
Bonnyville & District Oil and  
Gas Show – Robyn Ducharme  
and Tanya Oliver**

Robyn Ducharme, President and Tanya Oliver, Executive Director from the Bonnyville and District Chamber of Commerce presented Council with information regarding the Oil and Gas Show for June 21 & 22, 2017. Robyn stated that this was the 4<sup>th</sup> show, which has been held every second year.

In 2015 the Oil and Gas Show donated \$33,000.00 to Stars Air Rescue and \$20,000.00 to various volunteer groups, as well as spending approximately \$169,000.00 at the Centennial Centre for the last three shows.

Robyn also stated that this year there has been a decrease of about 23% in exhibitor booth registration compared to 2015. Sponsorship is also down 46% from 2015. The Chamber has reduced costs by eliminating extra services at the Oil and Gas show that they had provided in previous years. She also stated that they are making a funding request to the M.D. of Bonnyville for the same amount as they are requesting from the Town.

Tanya Oliver presented Council with a Registration Partnership handout. She outlined some of the things that would go along with the Sponsorship, including the Town logo on name badges, signage and website, a full page color ad in the program, as well as 8 tickets to the BBQ on June 16, 2017, to name a few.

Mayor Sobolewski inquired about the budget for the cost for the Oil and Gas show.

Tanya Oliver replied that the cost was approximately \$250,000.00.

Councillor Cheverie stated that the Oil and Gas Show was a very important event for Bonnyville and has been a success each year it was held. The event was also very well recognized around Alberta.

Mark Power, CAO, asked for confirmation on the amount that the Chamber of Commerce was requesting.

Robyn Ducharme replied that the Breakfast Sponsorship, which the Town has already agreed to, is \$3,000.00, and they are asking for an additional \$7,000.00 for a total of \$10,000.00.

Mark Power, CAO, stated that the \$3,000.00 for the Breakfast Sponsorship was in the 2017 Budget; however the \$7,000.00 would have to come out of the Contingency Fund.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. Power', is located in the bottom right corner of the page.

**Delegation – Bonnyville & District Chamber of Commerce – Sponsorship Opportunity with the 2017 Bonnyville & District Oil and Gas Show – Robyn Ducharme and Tanya Oliver**

Mayor Sobolewski suggested discussing this issue later on the agenda, and Council agreed.

- 143 **Moved by Councillor Nestor Kunec** that Council add Bonnyville & District Chamber of Commerce – Sponsorship Opportunity for the 2017 Bonnyville & District Oil and Gas Show to the Agenda under Business 6. g)

#### **CARRIED**

Mayor Sobolewski thanked Robyn Ducharme and Tanya Oliver for their presentation and advised that Council will come to a decision later in the meeting. They left the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

**Delegation – RCMP Report – S/Sgt. Luis Gandolfi and Cst. Matt Nadeau**

S/Sgt. Louis Gandolfi presented Council with a handout titled "Bonnyville Detachment at a Glance – 2016". He highlighted some of the details from the handout including, as of April 1, 2017 there are 20 RCMP members at this detachment. S/Sgt. Gandolfi also stated that of all the calls for service, the Town of Bonnyville's share was 55%; the other 45% is divided between the M.D. of Bonnyville and Kehewin. There are also 3 Cadets coming to the Bonnyville detachment, one has already started, with two more scheduled to start soon.

Cst. Matt Nadeau reported on Bylaw Enforcement. He stated there were no major issues. The garbage bin roll out has settled and gone from about 100 door hangers a month to between 10-20.

Mayor Sobolewski stated that he noticed the parking lot across from Notre Dame High School is becoming overrun with garbage again. He stated he would like to see a littering blitz to stop people from throwing their garbage out vehicle windows and on the ground.

S/Sgt. Gandolfi agreed that this was something they could investigate.

Councillor Irwin asked Cst. Nadeau to speak about the Rifle Training in Bonnyville.

Cst. Nadeau stated that he asked the Alberta Training Unit about hosting Rifle Training here in Bonnyville for the Eastern side of Alberta, instead of having members travel as far away as Grande Prairie for the training. The Alberta Training Unit came to Bonnyville and toured the Bonnyville Shooting Club Range, and Cst. Nadeau believes it will go ahead in the fall. This would bring hundreds of members to Bonnyville during the training periods; which would last a couple weeks to a month. This year would be a trial year and

**Delegation – RCMP Report –  
S/Sgt. Luis Gandolfi and Cst.  
Matt Nadeau**

then it would be evaluated for the future.

Councillor Cheverie stated the he noticed in the report that false alarms and 911 calls have remained about the same. He inquired about cost recovery for these false calls.

S/Sgt. Gandolfi stated that there was a Bylaw for false alarms that included fines; however, at this time if there was three false alarms from the same address, a letter would be sent stating that the RCMP would not attend alarms from that address unless the issues with the alarm are addressed and corrected.

Councillor Cheverie asked that this item be looked at by the Community Policing Committee to see if the fines option should be enforced to try to decrease the number of false alarms.

S/Sgt. Gandolfi asked if Council had anything they would like to see RCMP/Bylaw address.

Mayor Sobolewski stated that he would like to see a crackdown on the vehicles racing on 43 Ave, 46 Ave, and Lakeshore Drive.

S/Sgt. Gandolfi stated that he was working with the Community Policing Committee, so if there was anything else it could be brought to the attention of the Committee.

Mayor Sobolewski thanked S/Sgt. Gandolfi and Cst. Nadeau for their presentation. S/Sgt. Gandolfi and Cst. Nadeau left the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

**FINANCE**

**Financial Statement –  
Operating – Period Ending  
April 30, 2017**

144 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that Council accept the Financial Statement – Operating for the period ending April 30, 2017 for information.

**CARRIED**

**Financial Statement – Capital -  
Period Ending April 30, 2017**

145 **Moved by Councillor John Irwin** that Council accept the Financial Statement - Capital for the period ending April 30, 2017 for information.

**CARRIED**

**Bank Reconciliation – Period  
Ending April 30, 2017**

146 **Moved by Councillor Rene Van Brabant** that Council accept the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending April 30, 2017 for information.

**CARRIED**



## BUSINESS

**Request for Decision –  
Financial Contribution &  
Invitation, ND Wildcats –  
École Notre Dame High  
School – Academic and  
Athletic Excellence Awards –  
June 28, 2017**

- Mayor Sobolewski stated that École Notre Dame High is looking for Sponsorship for some trophies to give out for their Academic and Athletic Awards, at a cost of \$55.00 per trophy.
- 147 **Moved by Councillor Jim Cheverie** that Council approve the sponsorship of two trophies, one for Academics and one for Athletics for the École Notre Dame High School at a total cost of \$110.00.

### CARRIED

**Request for Decision –  
Financial Contribution –  
Ronald McDonald House  
Charities – Lakeland Charity  
Golf Classic – June 17, 2017**

Councillor Jim Cheverie stated that Cold Lake has an Annual Ronald McDonald House Charity Golf event and that the Town had registered and also sponsored a hole in that event. This year, Bonnyville is teaming up with the Chamber of Commerce and holding two Ronald McDonald House events in Bonnyville. He recommended that Council take part and sponsor the Bonnyville Golf event on August 19, 2017.

**Request for Decision –  
Financial Contribution –  
Ronald McDonald House  
Charities – Lakeland Charity  
Golf Classic – June 17, 2017**

- 148 **Moved by Councillor Jim Cheverie** that Council table the request for Financial Contribution – Ronald McDonald House Charities – Lakeland Charity Golf Classic in Cold Lake on June 17, 2017 until the June 13, 2017 Regular Council meeting.

### CARRIED

**Request for Decision – Letter  
of Support – Speed Limit  
Reduction on Highway 28 –  
M.D. of Bonnyville**

Mark Power, CAO, received an email from Chris Cambridge, M.D. of Bonnyville #87, requesting a letter of support from Bonnyville Town Council, in favour of lowering the speed limit on the west end of Town from approximately the Golf Course at Range Road 611 to the Towns 70 Km/hr. zone from the current 100 km/hr. to 80 km/hr. This request was triggered by an accident that occurred at Highway 28 and Range Road 611.

**Request for Decision – Letter  
of Support – Speed Limit  
Reduction on Highway 28 –  
M.D. of Bonnyville**

- 149 **Moved by Councillor John Irwin** that Council approve sending a letter of support to Alberta Transportation for the speed limit reduction on the west end of Town from approximately the Golf Course at Range Road 611 to the Towns 70 Km/hr. on Highway 28 for the M.D. of Bonnyville.

### CARRIED



**Request for Decision –  
Special Council Meeting –  
June 15, 2017 – Joint IDP  
Bylaw.**

Mark Power, CAO, stated that as per the Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) schedule, Administration proposed that the two Councils meet on June 15, 2017 for a joint meeting at the M.D. of Bonnyville Board room at 5:30 p.m. In order to provide first reading to the joint IDP Bylaw, it is necessary for Town of Bonnyville to have a special Council meeting. Administration requested a resolution from Council to hold this Special Council Meeting on June 15, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the M.D. Office Boardroom 201.

**Request for Decision – Joint  
Council Meeting – June 15,  
2017 – Joint IDP Bylaw.**

150 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that Council approve a Special Council Meeting for dealing with the Intermunicipal Development Bylaw of the Joint IDP on June 15, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the M.D. Office Boardroom 201.

**CARRIED**

**Request for Decision –  
Invitation - Bonnyville Mental  
Health 2017 Golf Tournament  
– Walk on**

Council received a request to participate in the Bonnyville Mental Health 2017 Golf Tournament on June 9, 2017 at 12 p.m.  
Mayor Sobolewski, and Councillors Lorna Storoschuk, Jim Cheverie will attend.

**Request for Decision –  
Invitation – 18<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Senior's Fish Fry – Bonnyville  
Senior Citizens Society – Walk  
On**

Mark Power, CAO, received an invitation from the Bonnyville Senior Citizens Society to attend the 18th Annual Senior's Fish Fry on June 10, 2017.

Councillor Storoschuk and her husband will attend, and Mayor Sobolewski will also try to attend.

**Bonnyville & District Chamber  
of Commerce – Sponsorship  
Opportunity with the 2017  
Bonnyville & District Oil and  
Gas Show**

Mayor Sobolewski stated that the Chamber of Commerce is asking for an additional \$7,000.00, in addition to the \$3,000.00 already budgeted for the event. This was added to the Agenda after they appeared earlier as a delegation.

**Bonnyville & District Chamber  
of Commerce – Sponsorship  
Opportunity with the 2017  
Bonnyville & District Oil and  
Gas Show**

151 **Moved by Councillor Rene Van Brabant** that Council approve the sponsorship request from the Chamber of Commerce to provide an additional \$7,000.00, from the Contingency Fund, in addition to the \$3,000.00 for a total contribution of \$10,000.00 for 2017.

**CARRIED**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Councillor Rene Van Brabant**

Councillor Van Brabant attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting. He attended the Regional Fire Authority Meeting and also the Bonnyville Jr. A Pontiacs Awards Banquet.

**Councillor John Irwin**

Councillor Irwin attended the Grand Opening of Octopus Creative. He also attended the Bonnyville Agricultural

**Councillor John Irwin**

Society Board meeting where he stated they are still working closely to join the two Associations and have them work as one unit. He also attended the Regional Fire Authority.

**Mayor Gene Sobolewski**

Mayor Sobolewski attended the Regional Opportunities Committee meeting. He stated this meeting was very well attended and was a very positive meeting with the potential of future agreements. Mayor Sobolewski attended the AUPE Collective Agreement negotiations. He also attended the Regional Fire Authority Board meeting, where it was decided that an ambulance that was slated to be retired from the fleet would stay and be used for events where an ambulance is required to be present, such as the Rodeo. He participated in the "Teddy for Toonie - Pie in the Face" auction & BBQ held by the ATB Financial, and that evening he attended the Bonnyville Jr. A Pontiacs Awards Banquet.

**Councillor Nestor Kunec**

Councillor Kunec attended the AUPE Collective Agreement negotiations. He also attended the Bonnyville Jr. A Pontiacs Awards Banquet

**Councillor Jim Cheverie**

Councillor Cheverie attended the Northern Lights Library System elections where he was appointed to the Executive Committee and the Governance Committee. Then also attended the SWANA Northern Lights Chapter Conference in Saskatoon where they discussed a circular economy, where there is zero waste. Alberta is focusing on reducing waste by 80% by 2030. Another focus was textiles in the landfill, and how to reduce the amount of textiles, as many of the man made fabrics do not break down over time. Agencies are being developed to allow people to deposit textiles which would be sent to third world countries to use for sewing etc.

**Councillor Lorna Storoschuk**

Councillor Storoschuk attended the Grand Opening of Octopus Creative, where she cut the Ribbon and gave opening remarks; she also attended the Mother's Day Tea at the Bonnylodge, where the RCMP were dressed in the Red Serge serving at the event. She also attended the Daycare Annual General Meeting and the Lakeland Lodge and Housing Board meeting. She also attended the Bonnyville & District Historical Society meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**

**Letter – Alberta Municipal Affairs – MSI Funding – MSI Memorandum of Agreement Formally Extending the Program for 2 Years.**

A letter was received from Municipal Affairs confirming that the Town of Bonnyville's Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) funding has been extended for another 2 years. The amount of the funding was not stated in the letter. The letter was received for information by Council.



**Invitation- Royal Canadian  
Sea Cadet Corps Huron –  
Annual Ceremonial Review –  
June 8, 2017**

Mayor Sobolewski stated that he will be attending the Sea Cadet Corps Huron Annual Ceremonial Review however, he may be late, and that the Sea Cadet Corps was made aware of this. Councillor Storoschuk stated that she would be able to attend and bring greetings from the Town should the Mayor not be available.

**QUESTIONS**

Mark Power, CAO, stated that for anyone running for Council in the upcoming election, there was a mandatory form to complete if any funds are going to be solicited for their campaign, donated to the campaign, or if the candidate is planning on spending more than \$10,000.00 of their own money on their campaign. The form is available at the office.

**IN CAMERA**

- 152 **Moved by Councillor John Irwin** that Council adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council and go In Camera.

Time: 7:13 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA**

- 153 **Moved by Councillor John Irwin** that Council adjourn In Camera and return to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Time: 7:44 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Regional Opportunities  
Committee – ID349 Revenues  
– Revenue Formula**

- 154 **Moved by Councillor Jim Cheverie** that the Town of Bonnyville, as a partner in the Regional Opportunities Committee (a committee formed to seek revenue opportunities in the region for the partners), approves the proposed revenue formula unanimously approved by the Committee at the May 11, 2017 meeting in respect to the fair distribution of ID 349 revenues to the partners and the City of Cold Lake.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

- 155 **Moved by Councillor Lorna Storoschuk** that the meeting be adjourned.

Time: 7:45 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes read and adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

  
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Mayor

  
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Chief Administrative Officer