

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF ELNORA VILLAGE COUNCIL HELD  
THIS 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dale Brown, Councillors Gina Armstrong and Dave Robb

**GUESTS:**

**ADMINISTRATOR:** Michelle Smith

**MINUTES:** [Res #08-11-129](#); MOVED: Councillor Robb, the agenda for the September 9, 2008 regular meeting of Village Council was approved. Carried.

[Res #08-11-130](#); MOVED: Councillor Armstrong, minutes from the August 12th regular meeting were read and confirmed. Carried.

**MONTHLY STATEMENT:** [Res #08-11-131](#); MOVED: Mayor Brown, The monthly statements for July and August 2008 were adopted as presented. Carried.

**ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:** [Res #08-11-132](#); MOVED: Accounts for payment 7281 to 7309 plus two Master Card transactions were approved and ordered paid by Councillor Robb. Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mr. & Mrs. Bigelow – [Res #08-26-133](#); MOVED: Mayor Brown, the Village agrees to a one time extension to the agreement whereby the Village of Elnora will allow up to 2 equines on the property located at 617 King Street Elnora provided the sale of said property has been initiated by six (6) months from this date. Carried.

Elnora Library Board – report regarding maintenance items for the Library building. Fixing the roof leak is to be first priority, Bill is to look into weather stripping for front door.

FCSS – District Community Worker report from Helena Smith

ATCO Gas – [Res #08-11-134](#); MOVED: Councillor Robb, the Village will not change the franchise fee percentage with ATCO Gas for the 2009 year.

April Irwin – request to lower the speed limit along the Village portion of RGE Rd 352 to 40 km/hr. Council asked for a survey to go into the newsletter for resident feedback on the issue.

Cornerstone Fitness – Request to hire a Recreation Director and move Cornerstone Fitness to the rear portion of 210 Main Street. Council felt that Cornerstone needed to present a plan regarding renovations required for this move (eg. washroom modifications) before a final decision is made.

St. Mary's Health Care Centre – fundraiser event

Alberta Health Services – update on the ambulance transfer to province

Alberta Transportation – approval of \$100,000 AMIP grant

AMSC – letter confirming participation on the 2009-2013 energy aggregation agreement

AUMA – convention registration, policy handbook and resolutions for convention. Michelle is to register Gina Armstrong for the 2008 convention.

[Res #08-11-135](#); MOVED: Councillor Armstrong, The above correspondence were read and ordered filed as information. Carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** written report of activities submitted by Bill Jewell

[Res #08-32-136](#); MOVED: Mayor Brown, the Village will extend the terms of Bjarke Dyg's employment contract to the end of September. Carried.

Council requested signage for campground closure after Thanksgiving to be posted, to check into any new trees dying/in distress and to discuss keeping the old mower as a back-up after a new one is purchased with Bill.

Council asked for a big thank you for a job well done this summer to be passed on to public works staff.

*Res #08-12-137*; MOVED: Councillor Robb, the Village will waive \$270.47 in taxes for the rear portion of 210 Main Street as the tenant has vacated the premises and the building is returned to tax exempt status. Carried.

*Res #08-26-138*; MOVED: Councillor Robb, the Village will not pursue action regarding the fence located at 426-6 Ave. without receiving a resident complaint. Carried.

**BYLAWS:** *Res #08-26-139*; MOVED: Mayor Brown, Bylaw No. 499-0811, referred to as the Fees and Charges Bylaw, received first reading and shall be tabled pending review of water sewer and garbage rates for 2009. Carried.

*Res #08-26-140*; MOVED: Councillor Robb, Bylaw No. 501-0813, referred to as the Parks and Campground Bylaw, received first reading. Carried.

*Res #08-26-141*; MOVED: Councillor Armstrong, Bylaw No. 500-0812, referred to as the Regulation of Fireworks Bylaw, received first reading. Carried.

Michelle is to communicate with Jewell's Grocery regarding the Bylaw and come to a common and acceptable agreement on wording and timing of the Bylaw.

*Res #08-26-142*; MOVED: Councillor Armstrong, Bylaw No. 496-0808, referred to as a Bylaw to amend the Dog Control Bylaw, received second reading and by unanimous decision of Council, received third reading and was passed. Carried.

*Res #08-26-143*; MOVED: Councillor Armstrong, Bylaw No. 497-0809, referred to as a Bylaw to amend the Cat Control Bylaw, received second reading and by unanimous decision of Council, received third reading and was passed. Carried.

Councillor Armstrong asked that Administration continue to have a section of the Land Use Bylaw for review at each Council meeting until it is complete and/or tendered out to Planners for completion.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Third quarter financial reports were presented and reviewed by Council. Michelle reported that the total amount outstanding in both property taxes and water/sewer/garbage is higher than usual this year. Budget discussions for 2009 will begin in October.

**CENTRAL WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION:** Councillor Armstrong reported that at the August 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of CWMC the Waste Conversion Agreement was signed and that the Membership Agreement needs to be reviewed and finalized prior to the September 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. Councillor Armstrong will attend this meeting on behalf of the Village.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 10.1. The Village Equipment Rental policy was reviewed due to questions by a resident and it was found that the policy was followed correctly.

10.2 *Res #08-32-144*; MOVED: Mayor Brown, application is to be made to use the 2008 Municipal Sponsorship Grant to purchase LED lights and new garland for the Village Christmas decorations. Administration is to pursue partnerships with other municipalities on this project. Carried.

10.3 The request from Rob Aellen to have portable toilets at the slo-pitch tournaments is covered under the Campground Bylaw.

**OLD BUSINESS:** 11.1 *Res #08-32-145*; MOVED: Mayor Brown, the Village will agree to assist the resident at 542 Queen Street with relocating the existing fence from Village property to within his lot lines by contributing a maximum of \$150 if the existing fence is to be moved. The dollar amount was arrived at by asking for a quote on the project by an independent contractor and dividing the cost by ½. Carried.

It was noted that the shed at 538 Queen Street has been moved, however the fence has not. Michelle is to follow up with the owner(s).

11.2 **Res #08-12-145**; MOVED: Councillor Robb, the Village will purchase an additional 'Welcome' sign provided the BoomTown Trail Signage grant can be secured. Carried.

Round Table

**Res #08-11-146**; MOVED: By unanimous decision of Council the meeting will extend past 10:30 pm. Carried.

**MAYOR BROWN**: Requested the following format for October 2008 Council Meetings be as follows; October 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm – Organizational Meeting, CAO performance evaluation and Youth Forum; October 21<sup>st</sup> budget and regular meeting of Council.

Mayor Brown gave an update on the School Resource Officer project and stated the contract would be signed on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

**COUNCILLOR ARMSTRONG**: Asked if there were license requirements for selling merchandise on public property. Michelle will look into it and get back to Council. FCSS – meetings related to budgeting for 2009, Community Worker funding secured. Parkland Library – budget discussions at meeting also. Councillor Armstrong requested a Member At Large be appointed to this board at the Organizational meeting. Councillor Armstrong noted that the flags requested were not yet put up in Council chambers and that the photos of past Council members were not yet up. Michelle is to complete this project.

**COUNCILLOR ROBB**: would like regular written reports to Council regarding the progress of various 'clean-up' initiatives dealing with residential properties in the Village.

**ADJOURNMENT**: **Res #08-11-147**; MOVED: Councillor Armstrong, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 pm. Carried.

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Administrator