

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF ELNORA VILLAGE COUNCIL HELD
THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2009**

PRESENT: Mayor Dale Brown, Councillors Gina Armstrong and Dave Robb
GUESTS: Helena Smith, Rick Cloutier, Sgt. Joe Sangster
ADMINISTRATOR: Michelle White

MINUTES: [Res #09-11-100](#); **MOVED:** Councillor Robb, the agenda for the September 8, 2009 regular meeting of Village Council was approved. Carried.
[Res #09-11-101](#); **MOVED:** Councillor Armstrong, Minutes from the August 11th regular meeting were read and approved. Carried.

MONTHLY STATEMENT: The monthly statement for August 2009 was tabled to the next meeting.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: [Res #09-11-102](#); **MOVED:** Accounts for payment 7820 to 7860 plus one Master Card transaction were approved and ordered paid by Mayor Brown. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Municipal Affairs – fall/winter workshop schedule. Michelle is to attend courses on workplace conflict, conflict resolution, group facilitation and public input. Culture and Community Spirit – invitation to participate in Alberta Arts Days Sept 18-20th. Alberta Animal Services – notice of change to dispatching system
Tanis Westersund – requesting letter of support for library. [Res #09-74-103](#); **MOVED:** Dave Robb, the Village of Elnora will send a letter of support for Bill C-322, an Act to amend the Canada Post Corporation Act re: library material to the local MP. Carried.
Municipal Affairs – congratulations to Elnora for submitting 2008 Financial Statements well before the legislated deadline.

[Res #09-11-104](#); **MOVED:** Dave Robb, The above correspondence were read and ordered filed as information . Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Written report submitted by Bill Jewell. Michelle noted to Council Bill's increasing confidence regarding the waterworks system.
Councillor Armstrong; asked that the culvert and pipe in alley behind and 213 Main St be removed. She noted that the pile of dirt south of 213 Main St. which belongs to 213 Main St is actually on lot 209 Main St and needs to be moved. When asking about removing the tree stumps at 515-3 Ave. Michelle stated that there is a valid development permit for the property and that the lot is currently under construction. Councillor Armstrong had concerns regarding the resident at 409-5 Ave who has been filling up a water truck from the residence on a regular basis. Michelle is to follow up on this.
Councillor Armstrong would like the ladders and paint cans left at the Medical Clinic dealt with as well as the chunk of sidewalk dug out from the back of the Village Office building put back. Councillor Robb noted that a large (approx 5 foot) chokecherry tree at the campground was broken off at ground level.

FCSS: Helena Smith attended to report on FCSS activities and programs being run and planned for the fall/winter season – see attached. Council thanked Helena for all of her hard work throughout the year and congratulated her on the success of the many FCSS initiatives and programs being offered to the community.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD: *Res #09-11-105*; MOVED: Councillor Robb, Council will go in-camera at 8:10 pm. Carried.

Res #09-11-106; MOVED: Mayor Brown, Council comes out of camera at 8:40 pm. Carried.

Res #09-11-107; MOVED: Mayor Brown, the Village of Elnora will become a member of the Local Development Co-op (LDC) by purchasing a \$100 share in the group. A Village representative will be appointed to the LDC at the Village Council Organizational Meeting in October. Carried.

RCMP: Sgt. Joe Sangster reported to Council that the Three Hills detachment is down by 2 members. The reason for one position being cut is that the new School Resource Officer position is not going to be replaced with an active duty officer. Council feels strongly against this cut in funding/staffing at the Three Hills detachment and gives Administration permission to advocate for the return of previous staffing levels.

The School Resource Officer position is up and running and is being well received in the Trochu, Elnora and Delburne schools.

Concerns about lack of response and poor communication with the RCMP were addressed.

Efforts to renew communication and strengthen ties between the RCMP and the community will start again. All instances of vandalism, drunk or dangerous driving etc. are encouraged to be reported.

Questions from the FCSS worker were addressed regarding the Drug – Endangered Children Act as part of a planned awareness campaign regarding the effects of exposure to drugs on children.

BYLAW 503-0902: Second reading was given to the Designated Officer Bylaw.

Res #09-26-108; MOVED: Mayor Brown, third and final reading is given to Bylaw #503-0902, being the Designated Officer Bylaw for the Village of Elnora and it is passed. Carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: 10.1. *Res #09-26-109*; MOVED: Councillor Robb, the fee for amendments to the Land Use Bylaw will be \$100 and the fee for assessment appeals will be set at \$50. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS: 11.1 Discussion regarding proactive vs. reactive Bylaw enforcement in general was tabled to the October meeting when Bob Dixon from Red Deer County Patrol will be in attendance. There was also discussion regarding the cost effectiveness of having Animal Control Services contracted to deal with animal related complaints when there does not seem to be much cause to have animals impounded. It was decided that though County Patrol cannot impound animals, they would be just as effective dealing with animal complaints by issuing warnings and/or tickets where necessary.

Res #09-26-110; MOVED: Mayor Brown, the contract with Animal Control Services will not be renewed once the current contract expires on October 31, 2009. Carried.

11.2 *Res #09-61-111*; MOVED: Councillor Armstrong, the sale price for 432-6 Ave Cr. is set at \$15,000. Carried.

Round Table

MAYOR BROWN: asked if a Council representative could be appointed to the School Resource Officer Board at the Organizational Meeting in October.

COUNCILLOR ARMSTRONG: asked if 536 Queen Street had a development permit for the enclosed deck being built. She is very concerned about contractors taking on jobs without the proper permits being in place. Michelle noted it is the homeowner's responsibility to ensure

permits are in place and she will contact the homeowners about the deck and the appropriate permits.

Councillor Armstrong is concerned about vehicles being parked and people walking on private property at 530-2 Ave. and would like to have the portable sign at 428-6 Ave removed.

ADJOURNMENT: *Res #09-11-112*; **MOVED:** Councillor Armstrong, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 pm. Carried.

Mayor

Administrator