

MINUTES

POLICIES AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, September 14, 2011, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB

PRESENT: Councillor B. Beattie (Deputy Reeve, Chair)
Councillor K. Good
Reeve P. Munro
Councillor R. Orr

ABSENT: Councillor A. Kemmere
Councillor P. McKean
Councillor D. Milne

IN ATTENDANCE: T. Martens, Chief Administrative Officer
J. Rusling, Interim Director, Planning and Development Services
J. Holmes, Director, Legislative, Community and Agricultural Services
A. Wild, Communications Coordinator
G. Eyers, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Reeve Beattie called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

AGENDA Deputy Reeve Beattie advised that the following would be added to the agenda:
8.6 AAMDC Resolutions
8.7 Oil and Gas Industry

Moved by Reeve Munro
PP11-156 That the Policies and Priorities Committee adopt the agenda of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of September 14, 2011 as amended.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS
2010 Property Taxes Deputy Reeve Beattie welcomed Scott and Bonnie Bales to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

- Mr. Bales provided information regarding
- Decreased property value due to improper wastewater and groundwater drainage
 - Mould damage
 - Litigation with previous owner
 - Request relaxation for overdue 2010 property taxes but in actuality they are the 2011 property taxes
 - Ditch digging to get the groundwater to run to the north may be a solution
 - Soil reclamation will need to be undertaken

Policy and Priorities Committee discussed the following:

- Taxation arrears have been paid
- Gas station has not been in operation since 1978 but the property was assessed as a store with a gas station
- A site visit has been undertaken by the Assessment Department

Deputy Reeve Beattie thanked Mr. and Mrs. Bales for the presentation.

Moved by Reeve Munro

PP11-157 That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend that Council forgive the 2011 Property Taxes for Scott and Bonnie Bales in the amount of \$5,700.00.

Carried.

Council requested that the Chief Administrative Officer provide future updates regarding cooperation with Alberta Transportation in the control of groundwater.

Ghost River Rediscovery Society

Deputy Reeve Beattie welcomed Michael Lickers, Executive Director, Ghost River Rediscovery Society, to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting. Mr. Lickers presented the Committee Chair with a woven blanket from the Ghost River Rediscovery Society.

Mr. Lickers provided information regarding:

- Future plans for the expansion of the Ghost River Rediscover Society in the Fallentimber
- Buildings and Land Plan
- Opportunities for business, schools, and educational programs

Policy and Priorities Committee discussed the following:

- Neighbour consultations and cooperation

Deputy Reeve Beattie thanked Mr. Lickers for the presentation.

RR 4.4 and 4.3/Twp 34.0

Deputy Reeve Beattie welcomed Sharon Roth to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

Mrs. Roth provided information regarding

- Safety concerns at RR 4.4 and 4.3/Twp 34.0 such as traffic, dust, noise, and signage
- AMEC studies dated May, 2010

Policy and Priorities Committee discussed the following:

- The AMEC studies were considered in the 2010 Budget discussions
- Council will reconsider the request for changes at the intersections of RR 4.4 and 4.3/Twp 34.0 in the 2012 Budget

Deputy Reeve Beattie thanked Mrs. Roth for the presentation.

Recess and Reconvene Deputy Reeve Beattie recessed the meeting at 3:12 p.m. and reconvened at 3:25 p.m.

Special Presentation The Policies and Priorities Committee made a special presentation of an engraved plaque to Jack Morgan in honour of his 100th birthday, March 18, 2011. Mr. Morgan was congratulated and thanked for his many contributions to Mountain View County.

OLD BUSINESS

Pole Shed

Report

PP11-158

Moved by Reeve Munro

That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive this report on pole sheds/post frame structures and the requirement for Professional Involvement as information.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MVSH

Sam Smalldon, Chief Administrative Officer, Mountain View Seniors' Housing, provided the following information:

- Board and Committee structure
- Current and proposed facilities
- Approved Strategic Plan Framework

Councillor Beattie provided information regarding the MVSH Strategic Plan Framework which included the Vision, Mission and Goals.

The Policy and Priorities Committee thanked Mr. Smalldon for the presentation and congratulated Mountain View Seniors' Housing Board and staff for their hard work and dedication.

Policy No. 8006

Recreational Capital

Funding

PP11-159

Moved by Reeve Munro

That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend that Council amend the Urban Recreational Capital Projects Policy.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Orr

PP11-160

That Policies and Priorities Committee recommend that administration discuss the Recreational Capital Projects Policy with the urban municipalities within MVC, and provide feedback to Council for consideration.

Carried.

Municipal Reserve

Disposal

PP11-161

Moved by Reeve Munro

That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that that a Public Hearing be held to remove the Municipal Reserve designation from the following properties:

Roll# 232142007 Lot 6MR NW-14-32-2-W5

Roll# 133022002 Lot 2MR NW-2-33-1-W5

Roll# 133103010 Lot 11MR SE-10-33-1-W5

Roll # 131304011 Lot 1MR SW-30-31-1-W5

Carried.

ADOPTED

County Land Inventory PP11-162 Moved by Councillor Good
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the County Land Inventory as information.

Carried.

Big Prairie Bridge Meeting PP11-163 Moved by Councillor Orr
That the Policies and Priorities Committee provide the Chief Administrative Officer with a list of questions in regards to the Big Prairie Bridge design and construction costs before September 21, 2011; and that Councillor McKeans questions be circulated to Council.

Carried.

AAMDC Resolutions PP11-164 Moved by Councillor Good
That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that the Chief Administrative Officer forward the AAMDC Resolution regarding Municipal Sources of Revenue from Oil and Gas Exploration and the AAMDC Resolution regarding Disaster Prevention Funding be forwarded to the CAAMDC for consideration.

Carried.

Oil and Gas Industry
Tony Martens, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a verbal report regarding the Oil and Gas Industry and advised that Director Holmes is in the process of obtaining a legal opinion regarding business licencing for the oil and gas industry. He stated that there needs to be rationale regarding the implementation of fees for a specific industry. He further stated that the Strathcona County Protocol has been reviewed by staff and that it is discretionary in nature and a similar document could be implemented by Mountain View County. Mr. Martens recommended that Mountain View County work with the local synergy groups to have a collaborative and cooperative approach with the industry. We want to work with the industry to keep them in the County.

PP11-165 Moved by Reeve Munro
That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that the Chief Administrative Officer meet with SPOG and synergy groups to draft a protocol and bring it back to the Policies and Priorities Committee.

Carried.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS
IN CAMERA

PP11-166 Moved by Councillor Good
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of September 14, 2011 go into closed meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Carried.

PP11-167 Moved by Councillor Good
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of September 14, 2011 return to the open Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

PP11-168

Moved by Councillor Good
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of
September 14, 2011 be adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

ADOPTED

Carried.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Chief Administrative Officer