

M I N U T E S

POLICIES & PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 18, 2007, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp. Rd. 32.0, Didsbury, AB

PRESENT:

- Councillor K. Blain
- Councillor G. Day
- Councillor D. Derksen (joined the meeting at 2:45 p.m.)
- Reeve A. Kemmere
- Councillor L. Negropontes
- Councillor L. Yakimchuk (Deputy Reeve, Chair)

IN ATTENDANCE:

- D. Plamping, Chief Administrative Officer
- G. Wiens, Director Corporate Services
- P. Olynyk, Director, Development and Community Services
- R. Morrison, Manager, Infrastructure Projects
- M. Honeyman, Manager, Community Services
- J. Koch, Communications Officer
- G. Eyers, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER:

Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

AGENDA & MINUTES

Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk advised that the following amendments would be made to the agenda:

- (3.1) P2P Funding
- (4.9) Remove from Agenda
- (4.16) Office – Airport Paths
- (6.1) Councillors Reports – Presentation by Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk
- (7.3) Land matter
- (7.4) Legal Matter

Moved by Councillor Blain
 PP07-061 That Council adopt the agenda of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of April 18, 2007 as amended.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Day
 PP07-062 That Council adopt the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2007.

Carried.

DELEGATION

Greg Wiens, Director of Finance, introduced Robert Fischer and Quinton Osatchuk, Collins Barrow, and welcomed them to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting. Mr. Wiens advised that discussion would be centered around the Audited Financial Statements.

Reeve Kemmere provided an overview of the process which was undertaken by the Audit Committee.

Mr. Fischer commented that Collins Barrow has carried out the audit of the County's financial statement for a number of years, noting some of the changes in recent years but pointing out that the basis of what an Auditor does has always remained the same. They try to express an audit opinion as to whether the statements are presented fairly and to assist in the County's efforts to improve its accountability. He discussed the process,

stating that the County Audit Committee held two (2) meetings with the Auditors to discuss the financial statements.

Mr. Fischer stated that the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Mountain View County as at December 31, 2006 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Mr. Osatchuk then reviewed the various Notes to the Financial Statement and answered Councillors' questions.

Council discussed the following items:

- Benefits allocations
- Mountain View Management Board
- ALARIE Investment

Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk thanked Robert Fischer and Quinton Osatchuk for their presentation.

2006 Audited Financial Statements	PP07-063	<p>Moved by Councillor Day That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council the approval of the 2006 audited financial statements as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried.</p>
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OLD BUSINESS P2P Funding		<p>Reeve Kemmere requested that the P2P Funding be dealt with in a timely manner and was advised by the Chief Administrative Officer that all the changes to the budget, including P2P Funding, would be brought forward to the first meeting in May, 2007.</p>
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NEW BUSINESS South Cremona Area Structure Plan	PP07-064	<p>Moved by Reeve Kemmere That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that a process to rescind Bylaw No. 11/91(South Cremona Area Structure Plan) that is the lands within the W ½ 3-30-4-W5M be undertaken and completed upon the approval of the Intermunicipal Development Plan.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried.</p>
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Rural Community Grant Policy	PP07-065	<p>Moved by Councillor Blain That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend the Rural Community Grant Policy be brought back to Regular Council meeting May 9, 2007 for approval as amended to include "that the grant not be available to for-profit organizations".</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried.</p>
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Prevention & Control Of Fires Bylaw	PP07-066	<p>Moved by Councillor Day That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend that the Prevention and Control of Fires Bylaw be forwarded to the Regular Council meeting May 9, 2007 for approval.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion Defeated.</p>
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	PP07-067	<p>Moved by Councillor Blain That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that that the Prevention and Control of Fires Bylaw be brought back to the Policies and Priorities Committee for consideration with the additional information requested.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried.</p>
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RECESS & RECONVENE		<p>Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk recessed the meeting at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10: 33 a.m.</p>
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Oil/Gas Well Activity	PP07-068	<p>Moved by Reeve Kemmere That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the New Wells 2006 Status and the first quarterly New Wells 2007 Status as information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried.</p>
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2007 Grant Applications	PP07-069	Moved by Councillor Negropontes That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the Mountain View County 2007 grant applications for Operational Services projects as information.	Carried.
2007 Operations Project Update	PP07-070	Moved by Councillor Blain That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the 2007 Operations Project Update summary as information.	Carried.
2008/2009/2010 Bridge Requests	PP07-071	Moved by Councillor Negropontes That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive as information the 2008/2009/2010 Provincial Bridge requests.	Carried.
Reconstruction of Highway 791	PP07-072	Moved by Councillor Day That the Policies and Priorities Committee review the attached draft letter to the Minister of Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation about the reconstruction of Highway 791 in Mountain View County.	Carried.
Steamer Use on Private Property	PP07-073	Moved by Reeve Kemmere That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that Mountain View County does not provide the use of the County steamer unit on private property, except in emergency situations.	Carried.
Work Stations	PP07-074	Moved by Councillor Day That the Policies and Priorities Committee the Policies & Priorities Committee recommend to Council the increase in budget # 0SC-01-07, for the new office work stations from the original budget of \$38,500.00 by \$11,371.55 to \$49,871.55, and the additional funds be allocated from the Office Equipment Reserve.	Carried.
Councillors on Committees		Council requested that the agenda order for the Policies and Priorities Committee meetings be revised to address Councillor Reports after In Camera items.	
	PP07-075	Moved by Councillor Negropontes That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that the Chief Administrative Officer prepare changes in Terms of Reference and Councillor Appointments for further review by the Policies and Priorities Committee; and further, that Roles and Responsibilities of Councillors be reviewed at the 2007 Organizational Meeting.	Carried.
RECESS & RECONVENE		Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk recessed the meeting at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2:45 p.m. Councillor Derksen joined the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting at 2:45 p.m.	
CAO Action List Priorities	PP07-076	Moved by Councillor Day That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the information from the Chief Administrative Officer on changes to identification of priorities on the CAO Action List.	Carried.
Office-Airport Paths	PP07-077	Moved by Reeve Kemmere That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that the Chief Administrative Officer present a plan for the development of pedestrian paths on the County Office building site, Olds-Didsbury Airport and Mountain View Business Park lands.	Carried.

INFORMATION
Information Items

PP07-078 Moved by Councillor Negropontes
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the following items as information:
(a) Corporate Review Action List
(b) Agricultural Service Board Minutes February 20, 2007
(c) Agricultural Service Board Minutes March 26, 2007
(d) Monthly Planning and Development Statistics
Carried.

IN CAMERA

PP07-079 Moved by Councillor Negropontes
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting go In Camera at 3:05 p.m.
Carried.

PP07-080 Moved by Councillor Day
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting be reconvened at 3:50 p.m.
Carried.

Signage

PP07-081 Moved by Reeve Kemmere
That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that \$15,000 be added to the 2007 Budget for the purchase of a sign to the entrance to the County Office Building.
Carried.

Councillor
Reports

Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk provided a presentation and information regarding the "Living in the Natural Environment 2007 Conference".

Councillor Negropontes was advised that the AAMDC Minister's Report on Sustainability on-line submission deadline has past but they will still accept and consider all comments.

ADJOURN

PP07-082 Moved by Councillor Derksen
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of Wednesday, April 18, 2007 be adjourned at 4:28 p.m.
Carried.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Chief Administrative Officer