

MINUTES

POLICIES AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, October 5, 2009, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB

- PRESENT: Councillor L. Yakimchuk (Deputy Reeve, Chair)
Councillor K. Blain
Councillor G. Day
Councillor G. Ingeveld
Reeve A. Kemmere
Councillor L. Negropontes
Councillor E. Page
- IN ATTENDANCE: D. Plamping, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Martens, Director, Legislative and Community Services
G. Wiens, Director, Corporate Services
J. Koch, Communications Coordinator
G. Evers, Executive Assistant
- CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- AGENDA Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk advised that the following amendments would be made to the agenda:
(11.1) Legal Matter
(11.2) Land Matter
- PP09-614 Moved by Councillor Ingeveld
That the Policies and Priorities Committee adopt the agenda of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of October 5, 2009 as amended. Carried.
- NEW BUSINESS
2010 Budget
Council, Legislative & Community Services
& Corporate Services
- PP09-615 Moved by Councillor Negropontes
That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that all 2010 Budget items reflect frugal and realistic restraint. Carried.
- PP09-616 Moved by Councillor Blain
That the Policies and Priorities Committee implement a recession budget for the 2010 budget year.
- Councillor Blain requested that the vote be recorded.
In Favour: Councillor Blain and Councillor Page
Opposed: Councillor Ingeveld, Reeve Kemmere, Councillor Day, Councillor Negropontes, and Councillor Yakimchuk
Motion Defeated.

Moved by Councillor Blain
PP09-617 That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that the 2010 Budget reflect no new positions in 2010.

The question on motion PP09-617 was not called.

Moved by Councillor Ingeveld
PP09-618 That Motion #PP09-617 be deferred to the end of today's budget discussions.

Carried.

Greg Wiens, Director, Corporate Services provided an overview of the 2010 Preliminary Budget – Corporate Services.

Council discussed the following:

- Community Engagement Site funding
- Revenues and tax collection
- IT Network Technologist Position and IT footprint
- Expense increases
- Financing software
- SuperNet for County broadband connection

Moved by Councillor Blain
PP09-619 That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that the matter of a New position for IT network Technologist be brought back for discussion and have Corporate Services bring back all options to the November 30, 2009 Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

Carried.

Recess and Reconvene

Deputy Reeve Yakimchuk recessed the meeting at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened at 11:12 a.m.

Tony Martens, Director, Community and Legislative Services, provided an overview of the 2010 Preliminary Budget – Legislative and Community Services.

Council discussed the following:

- Economic Development Officer position
- Communications, marketing, and 50th anniversary
- Community Services Grants

Moved by Councillor Negropontes
PP09-620 That Motion #PP09-617 be deferred to the November 30, 2009 Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Day
PP09-621 That the Policy and Priorities Committee receive as information the proposed budgets for Council, Legislative and Community Services and Corporate Services departments.

Carried.

PP09-622 Moved by Councillor Blain
That the two items reviewed at the October 5, 2009 Meeting be brought back to the November 30, 2009 Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

Carried.

PP09-623 Moved by Reeve Kemmere
That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that the Chief Administrative Officer bring back a budget with a 0% increase on residential taxes.

Carried.

IN CAMERA

PP09-624 Moved by Councillor Ingeveld
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of October 5, 2009 go In Camera at 12:25 p.m.

Carried.

PP09-625 Moved by Reeve Kemmere
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of October 5, 2009 return to the open Meeting at 3:44 p.m.

Carried.

Councillor Day declared a pecuniary interest, as she is the owner of a shooting range, and left the room at 3:47 p.m.

Councillor Day returned to the room and joined the gallery.

PP09-626 Moved by Councillor Negropontes
That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend that Council not to proceed with the requested action of Motion #09-259 because of legal implications.

Carried.

Councillor Day re-joined the table.

ADJOURNMENT

PP09-627 Moved by Councillor Page
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of October 5, 2009 be adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Carried.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Chief Administrative Officer