

**VILLAGE OF DONALDA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

The Regular Meeting of Donalda Village Council was held at 7:15 p.m., September 20, 2016, at the Donalda/Red Willow Regional Fire Hall with the following persons present:

Mayor: Dan Knudtson

Councilors: D.Paul McKay
Bruce Gartside

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer Anna Volk

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Knudtson called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

A. AGENDA:

Moved by Deputy Mayor McKay, that the Agenda of the October 18, 2016 Village of Donalda Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented. **Carried (135-16)**

B. MINUTES

With the addition of the word "a" in Section C. #3. It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay that the minutes of September 20, 2016 be accepted as amended. **Carried (136-16).**

C. DELEGATIONS

1. Tracey Sprague – Ms. Sprague addressed council regarding the spay and neutering of cats within the village. She has been working with the Donalda animal rescue as well as sterilizing cats out of her own pocket. The Donalda animal rescue has experience good success rates with their trapping program, sterilizing cats and adopting out as many as possible. They are having difficulties dealing with a few individual residents who refuse to fix their cats which has led to an influx of offspring which can set back the rescues effort to control the cat population very quickly. Ms. Sprague asked council for their support of her efforts as well as that of Donalda Animal Rescue. Much discussion ensued in what the best way council could support these individuals. Ideas ranging from increased education, promotional activities to a cat bylaw were discussed. Council thanked Ms. Sprague for her presentation and will discuss this issue further in the future.

D. BUSINESS

1. Skating Rink Request – a request was brought to Council from volunteer Pat Kenner who is working with a number of volunteers to build and maintain an ice skating rink in Donaldda. Mr. Kenner spoke about his choices for location his first choice being located at the lamp park between the gazebo and lamp. The other possible location is the road allowance north of the arena. Discussion ensued and it was felt that either location would be acceptable. It was moved by Councilor Gartside that council allow Mr. Kenner to build the skating rink in either location of his choosing, with the lamp park location contingent upon the museum society's acceptance. **Carried. (137-16).**

Councilor Gartside would talk to the promotions society about the possibility of donating \$500 towards the cost of the water needed to make ice. CAO will make sure that the hydrant located at the lamp park is functioning so water can be taken from it.

2. Financial Statements were reviewed and it was noted by Councilor Gartside that the ALAIRE Receivable be included in our 2016 financials. CAO will check with the auditor to see when it would be appropriate to include this receivable.
Moved by Councilor Gartside to accept for information the Financial Statements for September 2016. All in favor. **Carried (138-16)**
3. Bylaw #698 – Amendment to Bylaw #603. CAO presented an amendment to Bylaw #603 which updates the speed limit within village limits and also outlines the school bus routes. After review by council, it was moved by Councilor Gartside that Bylaw #698 be given first reading. **Carried (139-16).**

Deputy Mayor McKay then moved that Bylaw #698 be given second reading. **Carried. (140-16).**

Mayor Knudtson moved that Bylaw #698 be introduced for third and final reading. **Carried Unanimously. (141-16).**

Councilor Gartside moved that Bylaw #698 be given third and final reading. **Carried (142-16)**

4. Snow Removal Policy – CAO presented a policy for the review of Council outlining how the Village will remove snow on Village roadways. After some discussion it was moved by Councilor Gartside that Office Procedure Policy #1 – Snow Removal Policy be accepted as presented. **Carried (143-16).**
5. Skunk Trap Policy – CAO presented a policy outlining how the Village will deal with skunk trap requests and request to dispose of skunks caught in village and private traps. It was moved by Councilor Gartside that Office Procedure Policy #2 – Skunk Trap Policy be accepted as presented. **Carried (144-16).**

6. Parkland Regional Library Board 2017 Budget – The Budget was reviewed by council. It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay that the Village of Donalda Council accept the Parkland Regional Library Board 2017 Budget as presented. **Carried (145-16).**
7. ATCO Electric Franchise Fees – It was discussed by council the idea of increasing franchise fees effective 2017. Much discussion ensued and it was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay that the Village of Donalda increase their franchise fee with ATCO Electric from 3% to 4%. **Carried. (146-16).**
8. **Public Budget Meeting** – Council discussed setting a date for their public budget meeting which is customarily held in early November. It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay that the Public Budget Meeting be held November 9 at 7:00pm at the Donalda/Red Willow Fire Hall. **Carried (147-16).** CAO will advertise the meeting as necessary.

E. **INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE**

- Parkland Regional Board Talk Newsletter

Council reviewed the documents presented for information. Deputy Mayor McKay moved that this information be accepted as presented. **Carried (148-16).**

F. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Mayor Knudtson, Deputy Mayor McKay and Councilor Gartside provided verbal reports of their committee and other meetings since the last meeting of Council.
2. The CAO also provided reports on activities since the last Council meeting.

Deputy Mayor McKay moved to extend the meeting by an additional 1/2hour at 9:15pm. All in favor **Carried (149-16).**

G. **GALLERY TIME**

Discussion centered on the development of a plan for the public washroom facility. Darlene Tantrum and Ken Walker have been working to gather some building plans and costs. It is felt that it should be permanent structure located to the west of the Bank Building. Much discussion ensued and the idea of approaching all society and groups within the Village was suggested for input and potential funding.

Mayor Knudtson thanked the gallery for sharing their concerns and for attending.


It was then moved by Deputy Mayor McKay to extend the meeting by an additional ½ hour at 9:45pm. **Carried (150-16).**

It was then moved by Councilor Gartside to move in to camera at 9:45pm for the next portion of the meeting. **Carried (151-16).**

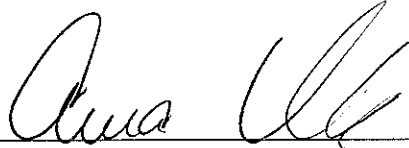
It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay that the Council move out of camera at 10:15pm.

H. **ADJOURN**

Being that agenda matters were concluded, a motion by Mayor Knudston to adjourn the meeting was **carried (152-16)** and the meeting adjourned at 10:15pm.



MAYOR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER