

VILLAGE OF DONALDA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, March 21, 2017

The Regular Meeting of Donalda Village Council was held at 7:00 p.m. March 21, 2017, at the Village of Donalda Village Complex Council Chambers with the following persons present:

Mayor: Dan Knutson

Councilors: D.Paul McKay
Bruce Gartside

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer Anna Volk
Public Works Foreman Frank Sutton

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Knutson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. **AGENDA:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor McKay, that the Agenda of the March 21, 2017, Village of Donalda Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented. **Carried (21-17).**

B. **MINUTES**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay that the minutes of the February 21, 2017 regular council meeting be accepted as presented. **Carried (22-17).**

C. **DELEGATIONS**

None

D. **BUSINESS**

1. Financial Statements were reviewed and it was moved by Councilor Gartside to accept for information the Financial Statements for February 2017. All in favor. **Carried (23-17).**
2. Bylaw 701 – Special Events and Parade Bylaw – CAO presented a new Bylaw for a review of Council. There was much discussion of the content of the bylaw and suggestions for amendments. It was decided to table this bylaw until a future meeting so some amendments can be made.

3. Utility Write Offs - CAO presented a list of utility accounts that have been uncollectable for some time. Councilor Gartside moved that the Village write off the uncollectable utility account 127000 in the amount of \$723.18 as a bad debt. All in favor. **Carried (24-17).**
4. Letter from the Donalda & District Museum. Council reviewed a letter received by the Donalda & District Museum regarding the condition of the Village complex. Much discussion ensued and was agreed that this issue must be dealt with. Councilor Gartside moved to proceed with the necessary interior repairs in the Village complex to return the damaged areas to their original condition. All in favor. **Carried (25-17).**
5. Public Washroom Facility - A letter was presented to Village Council regarding the potential placement of the public washroom facility on the Donalda Museum's bank building lot. This letter was accepted for information purposes only.
6. SMRWSC – The 2017 budget for the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Commission was brought forward for council approval. It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay to accept the 2017 SMRWSC budget as presented. All in favor. **Carried (26-17).**
7. Donalda & District Promotions Society – the Donalda & District Promotions Society submitted a request to Council to close the south side of Main Street on July 1/17 for the Canada Day celebrations. Councilor Gartside moved that Council accept this request and allow the closure of this street from 8am – 12pm , July 1/17. All in favor. **Carried (27-17).**

E. **INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE**

- Parkland Regional Library
- Donalda Medical First Responders

Council reviewed the documents presented for information. Deputy Mayor McKay moved that this information be accepted as presented. **Carried (28-17).**

F. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

G. GALLERY TIME

Discussion centered on the Village of Donaldda's minimum tax rate and the non-residential tax rate.

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

It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay the meeting be extended by an additional ½ hour at 9:00pm.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor McKay that the council move into the in camera portion of the meeting at 9:01pm.

Deputy Mayor McKay moved to come out the in camera portion of the meeting at 9:30pm.

Councilor Gartside moved to extend the meeting by an additional 1/2hr at 9:30pm.

Deputy Mayor McKay moved to go back into the in camera portion of the meeting at 9:30pm.

Deputy Mayor McKay moved to come out of the in camera portion of the meeting at 10:00pm.

It was moved by Councilor Gartside to forego the tax auction for Roll #331 in favor of the current tax installment plan in place. All in favor. **Carried. (29-17).**

H. ADJOURN

Being that agenda matters were concluded, a motion by Mayor Knudston to adjourn the meeting was **carried (30-17)** and the meeting adjourned at 10:01pm.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER