

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING 11-02 OF COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF  
CARMACKS HELD AT 7:30 PM ON TUESDAY,  
January 18, 2011 IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Elaine Wyatt  
Councillors K. Gage, S. Wheeler, T. Wheeler  
Staff: R. Price & K. Skookum  
Regrets: L. Bodie

**ORDER:** Mayor E. Wyatt called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm

**AGENDA:** Council reviewed the agenda.

**006/11** M/S Councillors K. Gage/S. Wheeler motion that the agenda be adopted as Amended with the following additions:

**Under Reports: No Municipal Report**

**Under Reports: #5 Recreation Report**

**Under New and Unfinished: #6Biomass/recycling**

**Under New and Unfinished: #7Work meetings/budget**

**An In-Camera session following question period**

**CARRIED**

**007/11** M/S Councillors S. Wheeler/T. Wheeler to adopt the minutes for the regular meeting of January 4, 2011 as amended.

**CARRIED**

**Delegation**

1) Cpl. Denis Venne came in and brought a copy of the police report for December, 2010. He was happy to report that it had been a quiet month. Council reviewed the report and Mayor Wyatt asked the nature of the dog calls, he was unsure but did assure them that it was not dog bite incidents. He had no additional questions for council but reported that he and his wife are enjoying the community very much. He said that he is very busy in the office figuring out the new position but to call anytime there were concerns and he would be glad to do what he could.

2) Pat Winfield came in to give council an update on the progress that she is making in regards to the Strategic plan for Recreation. She figures by the time she gets all the surveys back she will have about 80. She talked about the focus group that will be starting once the surveys are complete. She would like to see a few more adults from the community sign up for this group. She let council know that she will need some supplies for this group such as pocket folders. Rose said she can pick up what she needs and the Village will reimburse her for it. Pat asked about providing a meal for the group and council gave their approval for her to ask Bob to make pizzas for the groups. Pat also asked if she should offer an honorarium or door prize for the groups, Councillor T. Wheeler said that she thinks the door prize idea sounds better and council agreed that this is the way she should go. Pat also needs a copy of the Village logo which Rose said she will e-mail to her.

Pat also gave an update on her work on the Animal Control by-law, Mayor Wyatt asked Rose to call James Baker and ask where the First Nation is in regards to this as

the Village last year budgeted for this work and the FN did not so it did not move forward.

Pat informed council that she is waiting to hear from the Canadian Veterinarian Association before the committee that has been formed has its' first meeting. Mayor Wyatt let Pat know that the Village has just received the survey from them and that they are going to look over it and make sure that the questions are relevant to Carmacks and that they would then get it out to the community. Mayor Wyatt also said that she should know by the end of January whether or not they are coming but was told that it is looking positive and that her contact with the association said that they would like to move forward as May for the date.

Pat then went through the results so far from her surveys she noted that bullying needs to be addressed as it was a concern for kids, Mayor Wyatt informed her that there had at one time been a program on anti-bullying, and that maybe it should be brought into the recreation centre. Pat pointed out that most people agreed that there should be registration fees for special programs to assist in the costs for supplies to run the program. She also pointed out that the number one activity that most people were interested in was a Family Night at the recreation center.

Pat asked Council if it would be possible for her to come into the office to use the phone to make necessary calls in regards to the projects that she is working on. Rose let her know that this would be fine and that she is welcome to use the phone in the council chambers for this purpose.

### **Correspondance**

1) This was a response to the letter sent by Mayor Wyatt on November 15, 2010 supporting the Remote Wind Incentive Program budget proposal.

2) This was an informational document on the good things that come out of After-School Programs. Councillor T. Wheeler informed Council that some parents were unaware that the catch kids program had started up again, Mayor Wyatt asked that Rocky be asked to do up a letter for parents and send to the school to be distributed letting them know that it was happening, and maybe put some posters up around town.

3) The Village is no longer able to use the incinerator as of Dec.31, 2011 for disposing of remains of dogs as it is too old. Mayor Wyatt said that there needs to be discussion around whether or not they should look at replacing it if this is a service that they wish to continue offering. Councillor Gage asked if this is a service that they could afford to offer and Mayor Wyatt let her know that it is used a lot and she would hate to see things go to the way they used to be when animal remains were being left in the garbage dump. Mayor Wyatt said that as it is budget time council could take a look at the cost of this at the budget meetings.

### **REPORTS**

Mayor Wyatt reported that she had attended a recycling meeting and there was discussion of how best to handle the insurance. Mayor Wyatt had lunch with Rose the other day and looked over all the community infrastructure projects. Cory Lynn Bellmore is also taking a look at this.

Mayor Wyatt will be attending an AYC Executive meeting on January 19, 2011. She informed council that she had attended the fundraiser for Jordan and Jolene over the weekend and that despite the cold there was pretty good attendance and they

raised a good amount of money to support them after their loss. She had seen both Larry Bagnell and Arthur Mitchell at the function as well and had spoken briefly, to both of them. They had both asked how things were going in the community, Mayor Wyatt had let them know that all is moving forward and that if council ran into anything that they needed assistance with she would give them a call. Mayor Wyatt let council know that she will not be here on Thursday January 20, 2011 as she would be attending a funeral in Whitehorse. She also mentioned that they would need to set some dates for budget meetings.

Councillor S. Wheeler had nothing to report.

Councillor K. Gage let council know that she too had attended the recycling meeting. She had also attended the school council meeting on January 12, 2011 and had met the new Superintendent for the school. She informed council that it had been brought up at the meeting that Gisela is struggling to make ends meet for the lunch program, Councillor Gage had mentioned to school council that they could talk to Gisela about drafting a letter to the Village Council requesting support in this area. Mayor Wyatt mentioned that they had found some Community funds at one point for this exact sort of thing but she couldn't remember how it was accessed. Mayor Wyatt asked if Rose could talk to Cory and try to find out what it was called so that Gisela could draft a letter to the Village requesting help from these funds. Councillor Gage informed council that she will be attending a landfill committee meeting tomorrow.

Councillor T. Wheeler started her report by saying that she thought that it would be a great idea to do something special for Gisela Larkin at some point for all the hard work she does, as she feels that she goes well above her job description in the school and it's important to acknowledge this. Mayor Wyatt suggested that maybe at the grad ceremony this year that would be a good time for this to happen.

Councillor T. Wheeler let council know that she had attended the CTTS meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> she said that the Final Agreement was now done but that they couldn't move forward as it doesn't match the constitution. She said that when this gets fixed they will be approving applications, but that they will probably only get about nine approved as there were a lot of applications.

Councillor T. Wheeler concluded her report by letting council know that she had members of the community telling her that they were really enjoying the curling lessons that have started at the recreation center.

CAO R. Price let council know she had attended the Our Towns Our Futures committee meeting Jan. 6, 2011. R. Price said that she also has some training ideas that she will be presenting at her meeting on Thursday.

She also let council know that the 2011 Draft Budget is ready for council to review.

R. Price filled council in on the application she submitted to MAP for funding for compiling historic items and documents for heritage purposes, she also added that this project if approved would create four months of employment.

R. Price informed council that the netting for the arena will be up anytime now.

R. Price brought to council that Municipal Services had asked to have the van as a cargo van to haul items out of the weather. Mayor Wyatt said that she would like to look into how much they would get for the van if they were to trade it in as this money could go towards a new vehicle.

CAO Price concluded her report by saying that Pat Titus would be sending a price for the Economic Development Plan, and that Robert Wirth would provide an update to council at the next meeting.

Councillor Gage mentioned that the school council was trying to get the cougar back from the McBride museum that had been given away at one point, and that the museum was now trying to charge the school an outrageous amount to get it back. Councillor Gage voiced her concern about the importance of this item to the school and the kids and asked if council could assist in any way in its return. Mayor Wyatt said that a letter could be drafted letting the school council know that if there was anything they could do to support them in the retrieval of the cougar by way of support letter they would be willing to do this.

There was no Maintenance report as Leo has been sick.

Council reviewed the attached Recreation Report. CAO Price mentioned that there would be carpet bowling lessons coming to Carmacks for seniors on Feb. 3, 2011 at the recreation center from about 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Councillor Gage mentioned also that she had talked to Derek at the soccer shop in Whitehorse and he had said that he would love to come out to Carmacks again this summer and do another soccer camp.

**008/11 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/S. Wheeler accepts reports as presented.**

**CARRIED**

#### **ACCOUNTS PAID AND PAYABLE**

**009/11 M/S Councillors S. Wheeler/T. Wheeler to accept the January 12<sup>th</sup> payroll of \$15023.60 being direct deposits along with (cheques numbered 20220-20223) and accounts paid of \$450.00 (cheque numbered 20224) along with accounts payable of \$57462.49 (cheques numbered 20225-20246) be accepted.**

**CARRIED**

#### **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1) Mayor Wyatt stated that the Village does not usually send anyone to the Yukon Aboriginal Peoples resource opportunities conference.

2) CAO Price let council know that she would like to stick with BDO to do the Audit for 2010 as she had talked to Jonathan and he had let her know that his fee this year would be about 24,000.00, which is considerably less then it was the year previous. Mayor Wyatt asked if he had given a reason for this difference and R. Price said that he has lowered his travel costs. Mayor Wyatt asked if R. Price could find out if he would be willing to give them a credit this year as he charged so much last year. CAO Price also let council know that they would not be doing the Audit over the weekend this year.

**010/11 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ S. Wheeler to have BDO do the 2010 Audit.**

**CARRIED**

3) CAO Price asked council if she could attend the Positive Media Relations and Powerful Presentations workshops. Mayor Wyatt asked who would be covering the cost for these and R. Price let her know that YTG picks up the cost.

**011/11 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ S. Wheeler for CAO Price to attend the training workshops.**

**CARRIED**

CAO Price will let council know about the dates of the other upcoming training. Council said that number three, Own Source Revenue Generation in Your Community and number four, Climate Change Action in your Town look good and for R. Price to confirm that someone from the Village Office would be attending these but names would be determined after dates were confirmed.

4) Council reviewed the test results from eba and noted that the name on the document is wrong and that they be asked to fix it. Mayor Wyatt asked CAO Price if they had given a reason why so much additional testing was needed and asked if she could check to see what their permit required. CAO Price said that she will ask the question. Mayor Wyatt said she is not against the additional testing if they have good reasons for it but is not willing to pay for unnecessary additional testing. Mayor Wyatt let Councillor Gage know that she could have a copy of the full report for the landfill meeting tomorrow night.

5) FYI. CAO Price is waiting on an estimate on cost to move VIC and then she will be applying for funds to cover the cost.

6) Pat McKenny will be attending the Biomass workshop, the recycling society will cover the cost of her travel. Mayor Wyatt asked if the Village council would be willing to pick up the cost of the conference and that it was roughly five hundred dollars for this. Councillor S. Wheeler asked if this was the conference that she had attended last year and thought she may be interested in attending as well. CAO Price said that she will forward the information to her so she could look over it and then decide whether or not she is interested.

**012/11 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ S. Wheeler to cover the cost of the conference for Pat Mckenny.**

**CARRIED**

Mayor Wyatt stated that Mayo and Haines Junction both have contracts with their recycling societies to offer recycling in their communities. Mayor Wyatt suggested that the Village Council have the same sort of contract with the Tantalus Recycling Society as this would solve all the issues in regards to insuring them.

**013/11 M/S Councillors S. Wheeler/ T. Wheeler for the CAO to draft up a letter contracting the Tantalus Recycling Society to offer their services to the community.**

**CARRIED**

7) Mayor Wyatt said that she would like to get one if not two budget meetings in for January. Council agreed on Tuesday January 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and Monday January 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. they also agreed that they would all chip in a couple of dollars for pizza for those nights. CAO Price will let Cory Bellmore know the dates as well as Lee and see that they work for him as well.

**014/11 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ S. Wheeler to go In-camera 9:10 p.m.**

**CARRIED**

**015/11 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ S. Wheeler to come out of in-camera session 9:25 p.m.**

**CARRIED**

**016/11 M/S Councillors K. Gage/ T. Wheeler to find out if we can share ATIP information that has already been made public with the public.**

**CARRIED**

**017/11 M/S Councillor K. Gage to adjourn at 9:27 p.m.**

Mayor Wyatt adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

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Mayor Elaine Wyatt

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CAO Rose Price