

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Held on Monday, February 11, 2013 at the
Town of Bowden Administration Building

Call to Order

Mayor Robb Stuart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT	Mayor	Robb Stuart
	Councillor	Sheila Church
	Councillor	Sandy Gamble
	Councillor	Pat Doll
	Councillor	Wayne Milaney
	Councillor	Cory Jasper

ABSENT None

DELEGATIONS None

STAFF	Andy Weiss	Chief Administrative Officer
	Jade Prefontaine	Administrative Assistant

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda & Adoption of the Agenda

Motion 2.a Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble Council approves the February 11, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Adoption of the Previous Minutes

Motion 3.a Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council approves the January 28, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Old Business

None

New Business

Item 6.a Municipal Utility Rates In 2015, the Town of Bowden will be connected “live” to the South Red Deer Regional Wastewater Commission sewer line. This is a regional wastewater treatment system that the municipality was mandated by the Province to join. As such, upon connection every cubic meter of municipal sewage generated will cost \$1.70 to treat in this regional system. In order to assist with reduced “sticker shock” for our clients; it is proposed to phase-in the cost increases over a two-year period. The attached Utility Rate increases propose an overall 60 cents per cubic meter increase in existing rates and an increase from 75% to 90% of water rates for sewer charged on each utility bill.

Motion 6.a Moved by Councillor Pat Doll that Council adopts the attached Schedule ‘A’ – Utility Rates (Rate Bylaw 03/2007 Amendment) as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6.b Bowden Community Engagement Site Funding Request The Bowden Community Engagement Site is located at the Bowden Grandview School. The Bowden Community Engagement Site offers a wide array of programming and they are currently conducting a community needs assessment. They are requesting financial support from the Town of Bowden of \$5,000.00 per year over a three year term, but would accept any support amount.

Motion 6.b Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Administration drafts a letter expressing regret that the Town of Bowden is unable to help with the funding request from the Bowden Community Engagement Site. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6.c 2013 Operating Budget As per the Municipal Government Act (MGA) Section 242

- (1) Each council must adopt an operating budget for each calendar year.
- (2) A council may adopt an interim operating budget for part of a calendar year.
- (3) An interim operating budget for a part of a calendar year ceases to have any effect when the operating budget for that calendar year is adopted.

Motion 6.c Moved by Councillor Pat Doll that Council adopts the 2013 Town of Bowden Operating Budget as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6.d 2013 Capital Budget As per the Municipal Government Act (MGA) Section 245 - Each council must adopt a capital budget for each calendar year. The total Capital Budget is funded from existing Reserves and Operating Budget surpluses.

Motion 6.d.i Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council that Council adopts the 2013 Town of Bowden Capital Budget as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion 6.d.ii Moved by Councillor Pat Doll that Administration conducts further research into potential options for street lighting energy efficiency and then brings those options to Council prior to any Capital expenditures. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 7 Financial Statements

Motion 7.a Moved by Councillor Cory Jasper that Council receives the attached Cheque Listing for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion 7.b Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council receives the attached Bank Reconciliation for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 8 Correspondence & Information

None

Item 9 Committee of the Whole

None

Adjournment

Motion 10.a Moved by Councillor Cory Jasper that the February 11, 2013 Regular Council Meeting adjourns at 7:48 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Robb Stuart

Andy Weiss, Chief Administrative Officer