

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Held on Monday, February 24, 2014 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	Lloyd Lane
	Councillor	Paul Webb
	Councillor	Wayne Milaney
	Councillor	Earl Wilson

ABSENT	Councillor	Sandy Gamble
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DELEGATIONS	S/Sgt Joe Sangster (Olds RCMP) for Agenda Item #4.a	
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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 Paul Webb that Council approves the February 24, 2014 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 February 10, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Delegations

Item 4.a RCMP Annual Performance Plan S/Sgt Joe Sangster (Olds RCMP) is in attendance to speak about the Annual Performance Plan and on the new year coming up. He will also be reviewing 2012-2013 Statistical Data as they relate to Bowden.

Motion 4.a Council receives this item for information.

Old Business

Item 5.a Bowden Community Action Park Discussions At the February 10, 2014 Regular Council Meeting, Council members discussed a request from the Bowden Community Action Society. They were looking for assistance from the Town of Bowden in obtaining a “Directors Insurance” quote from AUMA. The Society is requesting that the Town of Bowden pay the \$50 membership fee on behalf of the Bowden Community Action Society so that a quote may be obtained for the cost of Directors Insurance without having to spend fundraising money.

The Society would also like to request that Council consider paying the premium, once the quote has been received. If possible, the Action Society would like to “umbrella” under the Town’s existing policy with AUMA.

Concerns have also been expressed regarding the need for signage at the Park. Specifically, the signage would potentially warn of risks and would also identify Park regulations such as hours of operation that may be in effect.

Motion 5.a.i Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council directs Administration to pay the AUMA membership fee and to obtain a quote for Directors Insurance from AUMA on behalf of the Bowden Community Action Society. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion 5.a.ii Moved by Councillor Earl Wilson that Council authorizes the CAO to procure insurance through AUMA for the Bowden Community Action Society to an amount not to exceed \$1000.00. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion 5.a.iii Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council directs the CAO to meet with Bowden Community Action Society members to draft wording and content of safety signage for the Community Action Park. The sign will then be purchased and install it at the Community Action Park to an amount not to exceed \$1000.00. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 5.b Councillor Remunerations At the September 13, 2013 Regular Council Meeting, Administration was directed to appoint a group of citizens at large to research if the current Council remuneration is adequate and to make recommendations to Council regarding if an increase in remuneration is necessary based on their findings. On February 11, 2014 Mr. Kenton Hubschmid, Mr. Cody Berggren, Ms. Carol Taylor and Mr. Andy Weiss met to review and deliberate the current Council remunerations.

Motion 5.b.i Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council adopts the recommendations of the group of citizens at large as follows:

1. That Council strikes a committee in each Municipal Election Year to adequately study and recommend appropriate Council remunerations for the new group of Council members not yet elected.
2. That Council increases the hourly remuneration rates for Elected Officials from \$25 to \$30 per hour or portion thereof to a maximum of 8 hours per day.
3. That Council increases the current expense claim allowances for meals to the following:

Breakfast – From \$10.85 to \$17.50
Lunch – From \$10.55 to \$17.50
Dinner – From \$25.45 to \$30.00

MOTION CARRIED

Motion 5.b.ii Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council directs Administration to send a letter of thanks to each of the citizen members at large that assisted with the Council Remuneration deliberations.

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

None

Item 7 Financial Statements

Motion 7.a Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council receives the attached Cheque Listing for information.

MOTION CARRIED

Item 8 Correspondence & Information

Item 8.a Council Committee Reports Council members share highlights of their Committee meetings with the other Council members.

Motion 8.a Council receives this item for information

Mayor Robb Stuart calls for a brief recess at 7:55 p.m.

Mayor Robb Stuart calls the meeting back to order at 8:02 p.m.

Item 9 Committee of the Whole

Motion 9.a.i Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that in accordance with Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act, the Council meeting go temporarily in camera to discuss a legal issue at 8:02 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion 9.a.ii Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that the Council meeting come out of camera at 8:42 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion 9.a.iii Moved by Councillor Lloyd Lane that Council authorises the Mayor and Administration to enter in to a Memorandum of Understanding with the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 417.

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment

Motion 10.a Moved by Councillor Earl Wilson that the February 24, 2014 Regular Council Meeting adjourns at 8:42 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Robb Stuart

Andy Weiss, Chief Administrative Officer