

## Minutes

### Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor B. Hobbs called the meeting to order at 4:25 pm on December 22, 2009 and presided with the following individuals in attendance:

Deputy Mayor D. Tremblett (arrived 4:27 pm)  
Councillor B. King (arrived 4:32 pm)  
Councillor A. Hynes  
Councillor P. Budgell  
Councillor F. Mills  
Councillor R. Canning

Randy Drover, Town Clerk

### Item 2: Adoption of the Agenda

#### **Motion 528/2009 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Mills**

To adopt the agenda as presented.

Yeas: 5 – Mayor Hobbs, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

#### **Motion Carried**

### Item 2: Rescind Motion 507/2009 (Resignation of Town Clerk)

#### **Motion 529/2009 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Mills**

That Council rescind motion 507/2009 pertaining to the resignation of the Town Clerk, Randy Drover.

#### DISCUSSION

Councillor Budgell wondered if there was a time commitment offered by Mr. Drover. The Mayor, in response, stated that it would be difficult to have any employee commit to a

certain employment term; however, Mr. Drover stated that he has no intentions of moving on to another employer at this point. Councillor Budgell questioned whether or not a probationary period was warranted. Mayor Hobbs indicated that by rescinding the motion Mr. Drover's resignation is void, so there is no need for a probationary period. There being no further discussion, His Worship called for the question.

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

### **Motion Carried**

### **Item 3: *Town of Bishop's Falls Garbage/Refuse Regulations Amendment***

Mayor Hobbs explained that last month an issue emerged in the Public Works Department concerning the collection of garbage and refuse. The employees determined that it would enforce Town regulations and not collect garbage that was placed in containers other than plastic bags (note: residents were placing the bags in various storage containers). Subsequently, the Town Manager instructed employees to comply with the regulations, resulting in much criticism from residents. Mayor Hobbs stated that he instructed staff to place the regulations under review, with the intentions of developing a policy regime that would allow residents to place their garbage bags in cans. After a lengthy discussion on the matter, Mayor Hobbs called for a motion.

#### **Motion 530/2009 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Hynes**

That Council amend the *Town of Bishop's Falls Garbage/Refuse Regulations* by;

(1) adding the following definition: "Waste Receptacle" means a garbage can.

(2) adding the following section after section (d) under **Storage & Disposal:**

"Notwithstanding section (d), a household or owner of a residential property shall be permitted to store containers in a waste receptacle as defined in these regulations on the days and times of collection, and such containers shall be removed from the waste receptacle by Town employees and collected in accordance with these Regulations."

Yeas: 6 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 1 – Councillor Mills

Abstained: 0

### **Motion Carried**

## **Item 4: Centennial Grant for Financial Audit**

### **Motion 531/2009 – Councillor Budgell/Councillor King**

That Council shall send a letter to the Centennial Committee requesting it to obtain three (3) bids from Chartered Accountants for the provision of a financial audit.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

**Motion Carried**

## **Item 5: Adjournment**

### **Motion 532/2009 – Councillor Canning/Councillor Mills**

To adjourn public meeting 1258.

Yeas: 7 – Mayor Hobbs, Deputy Mayor Tremblett, Councillor King, Councillor Hynes, Councillor Budgell, Councillor Mills and Councillor Canning.

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

**Motion Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

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Mayor Robert Hobbs

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Randy Drover, Town Clerk