

VILLAGE OF CHAMPION

July 11, 2016 Regular Council Meeting MINUTES

The Village of Champion Regular Council Meeting was held in the Champion Council Chambers on Monday, June 20, 2016, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance were: Mayor Jamie Smith, Deputy Mayor Trevor Wagenvoort, Councillor Coltan Povey, Councillor Dick Ellis, Councillor Aaron Matlock and Interim CAO Jeffrey Coffman.

	CALLED TO ORDER	Mayor Jamie Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM	
	ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA	None	
2016-106	ADOPTION OF AGENDA	MOVED by Councillor Povey to adopt the Agenda for the July 11, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.	
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2016-107	ADPOTION OF THE MINUTES	4.1 MOVED by Councillor Wagenvoort to adopt the Minutes of the June 20, 2016 Regular Council Meeting as presented.	
		Carrie	d.
	DELEGATION	None	
	INTERIM CAO REPORTS	6.1 Financial Report: Interim CAO J. Coffman circulated financial reports. Questions arose regarding figures in the Accounts Payable Cheque List and Trial Balance, respectively. CAO to follow up with Council (via email). Bank reconciliation will be completed when 2016 figures are updated. When complete, CAO will email the reconciliation to Council, and provide the same in the next Financial Report.	9
	:	6.2 Interim CAO Report: J. Coffman reviewed his Report with Council and answered questions.	
		Council would like to encourage more residents to participate in the monthly tax payment plan, especially those either in arrears of approaching arrears. CAO will discuss this with staff and will begin	

		providing residents information on the monthly program. CAO will investigate a tax-incentive option for residents who pay monthly.
		In an effort to consolidate costs, the CAO will investigate merging cell phones into one service provider.
2016-108		MOVED by Councillor Wagenvoort that the Mayor send a letter to the Minister of Seniors and Housing expressing concern that the Province continues to exempt seniors' accommodations from paying property tax, which has cost the Village \$6,826.96 in tax revenue, since 2015.
		Carried.
		6.3 Public Works Report.
2016-109		MOVED by Councillor Ellis to accept the reports as presented. Carried.
	COUNCIL REPORTS	7.1 Regrets.
		7.2 Updated Council on SAEWA meeting and the discussion
		regarding the proposed waste energy plant. He also advised council of the Waste Commission meeting he attended, and the library BBQ.
		7.3 Updated Council on the Marquis Foundation and advised that the current vacant unit will be occupied August 1 st .
		7.4 Advised Council that FCSS has moved into their new building.7.5 Updated Council on the Twin Valley water meeting.
2016-110		MOVED by Councillor Povey to adopt the Council Reports as presented.
		Carried.
2016-113	ITEMS FOR ACTION	8.1 MOVED by Councillor Wagenvoort that Council establish an ad hoc committee to review the 2016-2020 Community Peace Officer Agreement (Draft) with Vulcan County, with the intent of seeking external advice and considering possible amendments to the Agreement.
		Carried.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- 9.1 Roundtable discussion regarding operation of the campground. Council wants to see it cleaned and restocked every day, including weekends. A daily cleaning should include a patrol of the site to ensure garbage cans are clean, any branches or trees are removed and general maintenance is complete. CAO to follow up with Public Works and ensure these issues are addressed.
- 9.2 Council discussed issues and concerns they have been hearing regarding construction of the pool. Mayor Smith advised Council that the Pool Committee have sent a cheque for \$50,000 to the Village, to pay remaining invoices relating to construction. The CAO will hold the remaining invoices until inspection and approval of the facility is complete.
- 9.3 Council reviewed the draft job posting, removing the requirement for a post-secondary degree and. Discussion ensued regarding locations for advertising, with a preference first on advertising locally (Southern Alberta).

MOVED by Councillor Ellis that the Chief Administrative Officer job description be approved, as amended, and that the description be posted accordingly.

Carried.

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INFORMATION ITEMS

- 10.1 AMSC has begun a rebate program for AUMA member municipalities who subscribe to two or more of their employee services. The Village received a rebate of (approximately) \$318.00 for 2015 services.
- 10.2 AUMA Board of Director positions are open for nominations.
- 10.3 Upon advice from Mayor Smith and CAO Coffman, Davidson and Williams LLP have closed the *Jesse v. Village of Champion* file. Documents were picked up and filed.
- 10.4 AUMA has circulated a survey regarding municipal feedback on proposed changes to the *Municipal Government Act* (Bill 20 [2015]; Bill 21 [2016]). Council determined that the

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		CAO should fill out the survey, and Mayor Smith would review for the Village's perspective.
2016-111	IN-CAMERA	11.1 MOVED by Councillor Ellis to move In-Camera at 7:38 PM. Carried.
2016-112	OUT OF IN-CAMERA	11.1 MOVED by Councillor Wagenvoort to move out of In-Camera at 8:13 PM. Carried.
	NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING	12.1 Regular Meeting, August 15, 2016 at 7:00 PM
	ADJOURNMENT	13.1 Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:11 PM
		Jamie Smith Mayor Jeffrey Coffman Interim CAO, Recording Secretary