



VILLAGE OF CHAMPION
October 17, 2016 Regular Council Meeting
MINUTES

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

In attendance were: Mayor James F. Smith, Deputy Mayor Trevor Wagenvoort, Councillor Aaron Matlock, Councillor Colton Povey, Councillor Dick Ellis and CAO Patrick Bergen.

Regrets: None

	<u>CALLLED TO ORDER</u>	Mayor James F. Smith called the ^{Regular} Special Meeting to order at 7:09 PM
	<u>ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA</u>	None
2016-152	<u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u>	MOVED by Councillor Ellis to adopt the Agenda for the October 3, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council. Carried.
2016-153	<u>ADPOTION OF THE MINUTES</u>	4.1 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Trevor Wagenvoort to adopt the Minutes of the October 17, 2016 Regular Council Meeting as presented. Carried.
	<u>DELEGATIONS</u>	None
	<u>CAO REPORTS</u>	6.1 Financial Report: CAO P. Bergen circulated and reviewed the financial reports. CAO P. Bergen will follow up with Ladelle from the Rec Board to ensure they are aware of the Village of Champions funding commitment to the pool renovation. Communication will be routed through Deputy Mayor Wagenvoort. 6.2 CAO Report: CAO P. Bergen reviewed his Report with Council and answered questions.
2016-154		MOVED by Councillor Matlock to accept the reports as presented. Carried.
	<u>COUNCIL REPORTS</u>	7.1 Updated Council of attending 2 meetings with the Twin Valley

Regional Water Commission. The municipality is required to commit \$49,438.82 by December 2017 to address a one-time operational shortfall. There was a recommendation to pay out the amount from the water license sale proceeds. A further recommendation to put the remaining \$200,000 into the ATB loan. Little Bow Park has commissioned a study to confirm the feasibility of getting potable water via the Champion infrastructure.

7.2 Updated Council of attending a meeting with Lynn from the Library. The library feels that the 2015 payment was missed. CAO P. Bergen will follow up. There is a fundraising casino for March 10th and 11th of 2017.

7.3 Updated Council as to a meeting with the Marquis foundation. There are 11 vacancies across the system but Champion is full with good tenants.

7.4 Updated Council of a meeting with VBDS. They indicated they are close to hiring the new Executive Director.

7.5 Updated Council as to attending a TVRWC meeting.

2016-155

MOVED by Councillor Povey to adopt the Council Reports as presented.

Carried.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

8.1 CAO P. Bergen discussed the fact that Champion initially had not intended on any capital spending in 2016 but has some upcoming capital activities that require the support of a capital budget.

2016-156

MOVED by Councillor Matlock that the 2016 Capital Budget be accepted as amended.

Carried.

8.2 CAO P. Bergen discussed the need to do some renovations on the municipal hall to be able to continue to use it. The renovations are the least expensive option. Any spending activities would need the support of an amendment to the capital budget.

2016-157

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Wagenvoort that Council table the motion to amend the 2016 capital budget until estimates of the intended work are received and debated.

Carried.

2016-158

8.3 CAO P. Bergen presented the intended Campground strategy that would address the waste collection, maintenance and profitability of the campground.

MOVED by Councilor Matlock that Council adopt the Campground Strategy as amended. The amendment removed the waste bin ongoing collection.

Carried.

2016-159

8.4 CAO P. Bergen presented a Public Works Employee Clothing Policy that would provide consistency for budget and direction as to what Champion will cover.

MOVED by Councilor Matlock that Council adopt Policy 2016-01 Public Works Employee Clothing Policy as amended. The amendments were to set the limit for item b to \$300 and change item c to heavy duty coveralls.

Carried.

8.5 CAO P. Bergen advised Council that Vulcan County had requested to own the land in which the new fire hall was to be built. Vulcan County Council felt that they were putting a significant contribution in the building at their cost and would feel better to own the land as well. CAO P. Bergen advised that the financial commitment to build the site including road and services as well as the loss of revenue of 2 prime commercial lots would make us a partner in the project. The recommendation from CAO P. Bergen was to deny the request.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Wagonvoort that the motion be tabled pending understanding of whether there was a separate governing body of the fire system.

Carried.

ITEMS FOR
DISCUSSION

9.1 CAO P. Bergen discussed a strategy for promoting the available commercial and residential lots by using a Community and Regional Economic Support (CARES) program grant to hire an economic developer to promote the lots. CAO P. Bergen will follow up with potential economic developers for quotes and bring back go forward information to the next council meeting.

9.2 Council discussed the dates for closing for Christmas. The office will be closed from Monday December 26th 2017 to Monday

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INFORMATION
ITEMS

January 3rd 2017 inclusive.

9.3 Council considered a process where residents with overdue taxes will be put into a tax recovery program but allowed to waive the 2016 tax penalties if they sign up for TIPPS by November 15th. CAO P. Bergen will draft letters to residents with overdue taxes.

10.1 Council was advised that Fred Laux, a Development office had passed away.

10.2 There is an SDAB training session for Friday, November 25th, 2016.

10.3 AUMA is hosting a brownfield redevelopment webinar. CAO P. Bergen will attend online.

MOVED by Councillor Matlock that the provided be accepted as information.

Carried.

IN-CAMERA

None

LAID ON THE TABLE

- 12.1 2016-2020 Community Peace Officer Agreement
- 12.2 Fire Hall Historical Designation

NEXT REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING

13.1 Regular Meeting, November 7, 2016 at 7:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT

14.1 Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:14 PM

James F. Smith
Mayor

Patrick Bergen
Chief Administrative Officer