

**MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FOURTH MEETING
OF THE KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2010 – 1:30 P.M.
KANANASKIS VILLAGE CENTRE**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Dan DeSantis
Councillors: Ken Kelly
Bruce Lukey
Jamie Tiessen
Recording Secretary: Mia Kruger, Municipal Administrator (Wage)
Also Present: Tammi Pretty, Chief Administrative Officer (Acting)

I. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consideration of the Agenda

a) Items to be struck

Nil

b) Items to be added

2. Review of Pending Agenda

Nil

3. Kananaskis Emergency Services Update

Fire/Ambulance

Chief Shawn Polley provided Council with an update for the month of February for Fire/EMS Services.

Councillor Jamie Tiessen provided an update regarding the Foothills Regional Commission. Ambulance services will be transferred to the Province April 1, 2010.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

Corporal Glen Myers reported the RCMP currently have an additional staff member (Constable Wilson Yee) who has arrived to replace Constable Devon Hildebrand, who is moving on to Calgary. This will mean having 4 members in the detachment until Constable Hildebrand leaves to take up his new post. Council would like to send a thank you/farewell letter to Constable Hildebrand.

In March there will be an increased visibility of the RCMP in the Kananaskis Valley. The detachment has received extra funding from the District to be more visible in high traffic areas. Council requested a letter be sent to the District to thank them for the support. Council welcomed Corporal Myers to the Community and also thanked him for providing support at the AGM.

4. Council Committee Reports/ Updates

a) KCICC/KID Working Group

Councillor Jamie Tiessen reported the last meeting was cancelled and he is waiting for confirmation of the next meeting.

b) **Budget and Audit Committee**

Chairman Dan DeSantis reported to Council that as a result of the earlier Budget and Audit Committee meeting the following motions are being brought forward:

MOTION: Jamie Tiessen Move that the Acting Chief Administrative Officer and current Casual Wage Municipal Administrator have cheque signing authority for KID until June 10, 2010 upon return of Mike Benny, Chief Administrative Officer. An accounting of all cheques written in Mike Benny's absence will be made upon his return.

Second Bruce Lukey

#899/10 Carried Unanimously

2010 FRIAA Grant

Chief Polley reported on the current status of the FRIAA grant work that has been completed to date in the three identified areas around the KID. Chief Polley then provided Council with an overview for the next call for proposals which is due March 31, 2010 with a recommendation to proceed. A letter from the Fire Smart Committee will be sent with the application showing support of the program.

MOTION: Jamie Tiessen Move to authorize Administration to accept the KID FireSmart Committee's recommendation to apply in 2010 to the Forest Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA) for three separate grants for fuel modification projects and wildfire pre-emergency preparedness guide projects totaling \$951,250.00 as presented.

Second: Ken Kelly

#900/10 Carried Unanimously

c) **Community Advisory Committee**

Councillor Bruce Lukey reported there have been no meetings since the last update. The next meeting is Thursday, April 15th at 1:00 p.m.

d) **Bow Valley Regional Housing Board**

Councillor Bruce Lukey reviewed the minutes of the last meeting and noted one omission from the minutes regarding a presentation for a proposal for another seniors retirement villa in Canmore. There will be a working session at the next meeting with some of the Alberta Government representatives.

There was also an in-camera session to discuss personnel matters which will be discussed at the next BVRH Meeting.

e) **Community Futures – Highwood**

Councillor Jamie Tiessen reported that, as the meeting date changed at the last minute, he was unable to attend.

f) **KID Fire Smart Committee**

At the meeting on February 17, 2010 grant funding was discussed and SRD advised money for the program has been put on hold for the 2010/2011 budget year. The committee agreed to move forward with the 2010 FRIAA program and discussed which areas would be of focus for the fuel modification work.

g) **Marigold Library Board**

Councillor Bruce Lukey noted there has not been a meeting since late January and that the AGM will be held April 20th in Strathmore. He distributed handouts that were provided to Marigold Board members.

g) Others:

Nil

5. Kananaskis Country Interdepartmental Consultative Committee – Update

Tammi Pretty reported the March 9th meeting was cancelled and the next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2010. Council discussed organizational changes within the Government and the need to foster relationships with Kananaskis Country Management. If the next meeting is postponed, Council would like to arrange a meeting with Steve Donelon and Rick Arthur to keep them up to date with Council and the KID.

6. Subdivision and Development Authority – Update

There have been no meetings since the last update.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: Bruce Lukey

Move the Minutes of February 2nd, 2010 be approved.

Second: Ken Kelly

#901/10 Carried Unanimously

2. Correspondence

K-100 Policing Request

A letter was received by Administration requesting enhanced Police support for the annual K 100 Run being held June 19, 2010. Each year Administration works with the K100 organizers and the RCMP to facilitate policing arrangements. Council directed Administration to respond to the K100 Organizers, with a request to the RCMP for support, agreeing to assist again this year.

3. Question Period

Nil

III. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Review of Action Items from Previous Meetings

Tammi Pretty reviewed the updates outlining action taken to date. Council requested the Action Items update document be circulated with their meeting packages. Council requested Administration proceed with the outstanding action item to send a letter to

Dave Nielsen and, in addition, send a letter to Steve Donelon welcoming him into his new role.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2009 AGM Evaluation

Council felt the AGM presentations went well but there was a concern about the continued lack of attendance by members of the public. Various options were discussed about possible ways to improve attendance such as changing the time or place but it was agreed that this would be unlikely to have much of an impact. The date and time for the next AGM will remain as set.

2. Tim Horton's Donation

Chief Polley and Chairman DeSantis were recently presented with a cheque in the amount of \$15,150 from the Tim Horton's Foundation. Council requested Administration send a letter of thanks to the Foundation. Council suggested a portion of the money could possibly go toward FireSmart support for local businesses.

V. PUBLIC GALLERY – QUESTION PERIOD

Arnold Hoffman noted his disappointment at the lack of attendees at the AGM. He also asked if there were any future plans for commercial logging to help prevent forest fires. Mr Hoffman was shown the fuel modification map from the FRIAA Application package and Council outlined the work that would be conducted. Mr Hoffman stated he found attending Council meetings interesting, and he is grateful to Council members for their hard work.

VI. NEXT MEETING

The 125th meeting of the Kananaskis Improvement District Council is set for May 11th, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

VII. PENDING AGENDA

Nil

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The 124th meeting of the Kananaskis Improvement District Council adjourned at 3:36 pm