

**THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF SILVER BEACH  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2005  
AT THE EDMONTON OILERS BOARDROOM  
EDMONTON, ALBERTA**

**Present:**

Council:  
Norm Majeski  
Allan Watt  
James Irving

Staff:  
Blaine Alexander, Development Officer  
Wendy Nickel, Administrator

**A. Call to Order**

Mayor Majeski called the Regular Meeting of Council of March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005 to order at 5:20 P.M.

**B. Adoption of Agenda**

Mayor Majeski moved that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council for March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005 be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**C. Adoption of Minutes**

Councilor Watt moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005 be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**D. Staff Reports**

1. Administrator's Report to Council

a) Letter sent to County of Wetaskiwin in support of resolution to transfer responsibility of Part IV of Fire Code to PTMAA. b) Transfer of responsibility for ground ambulance services has been suspended. Municipalities will receive grants to offset costs incurred due to this suspension, with the Summer Village of Silver Beach to receive \$648. c) Assessment costs per parcel will be \$14.85 in 2005, with no change to the fees for permits. d) GST refund has been received in the amount of \$5,239.22. e) STEP grant for 2004 was received in the amount of \$1600. f) John Turgeon called to advise that the Crime Watch Program is being reinstated, and he is looking for interested residents in the Summer Village of Silver Beach to be involved in the program.

2. Development Officer's Report to Council

a) Off-Highway signs have been picked up and delivered to Mayor Majeski. b) Mrs. Betty McCoy has been sent information regarding her proposed cottage demolition. c) Municipal Address and Ownership map mailed to Mrs. Phyllis Radis, as per her request. d) Cover letter, required forms, and invoices submitted to Infrastructure Canada – Alberta Program in order to be reimbursed for a portion of costs related to the Silver Beach Road Project. e) March newsletters have been mailed. f) Advised Alberta Government Services that there were no FOIP requests in 2004, as per its inquiry. g) Two applications for employment under the STEP Program have been received to date. h) ATCO Franchise agreement has been signed and returned.

3. Pigeon Lake Constable Service Report to Council

The Pigeon Lake Constable Service as submitted by Constable Ron Smith was presented for Council's review and information.

Councilor Irving moved that the Staff Reports be accepted for Council's information.

Carried Unanimously

**E. Financial Report**

1. Monthly Cash Statement – February, 2005
2. Actual Expenditures – Year to Date – Silver Beach
3. Actual Expenditures – Year to Date – Constable Service

Councilor Watt moved that the Financial Reports be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**F. Accounts Payable – For the period ending March 29<sup>th</sup> , 2005**

Councilor Irving moved that cheques numbered 1694 to 1716 for the period ending March 29<sup>th</sup> , 2005 be paid in the amount of \$43,628.16. Cheques numbered 1694 to 1716 were prepaid and had already been released.

Carried unanimously

**G. Business Arising from Last Meeting**

1. Amendment to Traffic Control Bylaw re: Road Permits

Mrs. Nickel advised that the research regarding the amendments to the traffic control bylaw has not yet been completed. Mrs. Nickel asked that the item be carried under Old Business until such time as the research has been completed.

Councilor Watt moved that the item be tabled under Old Business until such time as Administration has completed the required research on the subject.

Carried Unanimously

**H. New Business**

1. Draft Budget 2005

The final draft budget was presented for Council's approval. Councilor Irving asked that the budget be amended to show an increase to the contribution to the Road Reserve to \$20,000, and a further adjustment to the budget be made, if required, to bring the municipal revenues and expenditures to an amount equal to the prior year's revenues and expenditures.

Councilor Watt moved that the 2005 Operating Budget be adopted as amended.

Carried Unanimously

2. Assessment Roll for 2005 Tax Year

The 2004 assessment figures for the 2005 tax year have been received from our assessor, Mike Krim. The total taxable assessment has increased from \$48,905,630 to \$63,397,620. This represents an overall increase of 30%. The majority of properties saw an increase to the assessed value of improvements, with a small decrease in assessed value of improvements for a few properties. Assessed value for land did not increase for some properties, but there were significant increases for lakefront properties.

Councilor Irving asked that Administration request a more detailed annual report from the assessor, with comparative figures for the prior year.

Councilor Irving moved that the Assessment report be accepted for Council's information.

Carried Unanimously

3. Amendment to Milenet Agreement

Municipal Affairs has sent an amending agreement to the existing *milenet* agreement between the Summer Village of Silver Beach and the Province. The amendment allows for data collection from municipalities related to emergency response systems. The data will be accessed by other municipalities and their fire departments, the Fire Commissioner's Office, Emergency Management Alberta, and other government agencies.

Council Watt moved that Council enter into an Amending Agreement with Municipal Affairs to amend the *milenet* Agreement to allow for the collection of certain data related to emergency response.

Carried Unanimously

4. Letter re: Tax Arrears

Trudy Ressler has sent a letter regarding tax arrears on her property. An agreement has been prepared to allow for the payment of tax arrears over a period of three years, subject to Ms. Ressler's acceptance.

Councilor Irving moved the Council enter into an agreement with Trudy Ressler to allow for the payment of tax arrears as per the prepared agreement.

Carried Unanimously

**I. Council Reports**

1. Mayor Majeski – Mayor Majeski advised that he will book a facility for the Annual General Meeting, with a tentative date of June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2005.
2. Councilor Irving – no report
3. Councilor Watt – Councilor Watt advised that July 2, 2005 has been set as the tentative date for Silver Beach's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

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Celebration. He and Jane Nagy continue to work on plans, and Councilor Watt will book the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall for that date.

Councilor Watt moved that the Council Reports be accepted for Council's information.

Carried Unanimously

**J. Council Information**

1. March 8<sup>th</sup> letter from MLA Tony Abott, re: ICAP funding
2. March 9<sup>th</sup> letter from Alberta Health and Wellness re: one-time grant funding for Ambulance
3. March 8<sup>th</sup> News Release re: Ground Ambulance Services
4. February 25<sup>th</sup> letter from Capital Region Assessment Services Commission
5. March 10<sup>th</sup> letter from MP Leon Benoit re: Government of Canada "Rural Municipal Infrastructure Fund"
6. Letter from Canadian Heritage re" "Celebrate Canada!" 2005

Councilor Watt moved that the Council Information Items be accepted for Council's information.

Carried Unanimously

**K. Next Meeting Date**

Council agreed that the next meeting of Council will be held Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at the office boardroom of the Edmonton Oilers, at 11230 – 110 St., in Edmonton, commencing at 5:15 PM.

**L. Adjournment**

Mayor Majeski moved that the meeting adjourn.

Carried Unanimously

Time of adjournment: 7:15 P.M.

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Norm Majeski – Mayor

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Wendy Nickel – CAO