

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 14, 2023 VILLAGE OF COUTTS REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUTTS COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 6:30 PM

- Present: Mayor Willett, Councillor's MacCumber, Pain, Smith, Payne, and CAO Rolfe
- Meeting: Called to order at 6:30pm by Mayor Willett.
- Agenda: Councillor MacCumber moved to accept as presented. Carried unanimously
- Minutes: Mayor Willett moved to accept the January 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. Carried Unanimously.
- Old Business:
- CAO Report: CAO Report is attached. Councillor Payne moved to accept the CAO report as presented. Carried unanimously.
- Handibus: Grant funding is nearly finalized. Looking into the extended life battery.
- Public Works: CAO Rolfe has hired Jeff Petersen as the new Public Works employee.
- School Building: The drywall has all been removed and we are waiting for an abatement contractor to be awarded the contract to remove the flooring.
- County All Council: The County All Council meeting will be on Feb 27 at 5:30 pm in Warner
- Strategic Planning: Meeting has been rescheduled to March 6 at 5:30pm
- Financial Statement: Councillor MacCumber moved to accept the January 2023 Financial Statement as presented. Carried unanimously.
- Accounts Payable: Councillor Smith moved to pay the accounts payable. Carried unanimously.
- New Business
- Meeting remuneration: Meeting remuneration was discussed as CAO Rolfe was uncertain what the pay is for certain meetings.
- Door Prizes: Councillor Payne moved that CAO Rolfe purchase something for up to \$200 for Fire Appreciation Night and up to \$100 for the Milk River Watershed Community Appreciation Forum silent auction. Carried unanimously.
- FCSS All Council: The FCSS All Council is April 5, 5:30 in Coaldale
- Milk River Clinic/Hospital/ER: Dr Ovwassa has handed in his resignation, there is a possible Doctor interested in coming to Milk River. AHS is hosting a Town Hall to explain their plans.
- Connect Mobility: Is an internet company looking to install internet in towns. We do not qualify as we already meet the standards for download and upload.
- Seniors Week: Councillor Smith moved to declare June 5-11, 2023 as Seniors' Week. Carried unanimously. CAO Rolfe will arrange cake/coffee one of those days as a come and go for recognition of our seniors.

Committee
Reports:

Mayor
Willett: Attended a zoom with Minister Copping
Attended a zoom with the Oldman River Health Committee
Attended a meeting with Doctor Lowe

Councillor
Pain: Attended an Invest Alberta zoom
Attended the Ag Society Meeting
Attended an Asset Management Seminar
Sat in on the Public Works hiring interviews
Attended the Handibus Meeting
Attended the Oldman Healthcare Adv Council Meeting
Attended the Library Meeting and the Friends of the Library Meeting

Councillor
MacCumber: Attended a zoom with Minister Copping
Attended the MRWSC
Attended the Mayors and Reeves Meeting
Attended the Healthcare Retention Committee

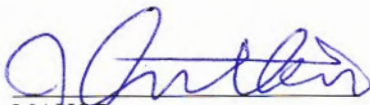
Councillor
Smith: Attended 2 Chief Mountain Solid Waste meetings
Attended CoWrep Meeting

Councillor
Payne: Attended the Ridge Country Housing Meeting
Attended the FCSS Zoom

Correspondence: Public Meeting Notice Feb 22 with AHS in Milk River

Closed Session: Not at this time

Adjourn: Councillor Payne moved to adjourn at 8:50 pm.


MAYOR


CAO

CAO Report February, 2023

1. Safety Fitness Certificate still not registered as waiting for the Safety Officer to write the exam at the registry office before the submission can be made.
2. Completed T4's.
3. Ken and I attended the ICS100 Course at the County, different days. The course prepares you on how to open and operate the Incident Command System if you have an emergency and set up an EOC (emergency ops centre)
4. School repairs discussed in old business.
5. Interviews/hiring for Public Works
6. Year end work still being done for the auditor