

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLAINE LAKE
HELD IN THE TOWN OFFICE
Monday, June 15th, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ciona called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Attending were Mayor Ciona; Councillers Fiala, Larson, Onishenko, Rodwin, Sorenson, Woytiuk, and CAO Brad.

APPROVE AGENDA

2015-126 *Woytiuk*

That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

APPROVE MINUTES

2015-127 *Larson*

That the minutes from the May 19th, 2015 Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

LETTER TO NEW HOME OWNERS TO COMPLETE LANDSCAPING

2015-128 *Fiala*

That we send a letter to Muskeg Lake Cree Nation asking them to level off their lots to proper grade levels, install sidewalks, and plant grass on the properties where they have constructed new homes by no later than June 15th, 2016.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORTS

2015-129

That the Financial Statement for May, 2015 and the Bank Reconciliation for April, 2015 be accepted and filed.

CARRIED

LETTER TO SERVICE CONNECTION CONTRACTORS

2015-130 *Rodwin*

That a letter be sent to all Contractors who do water and sewer service connections in Blaine Lake advising them that in the future they are responsible for ensuring proper compaction and repair of the streets after they have completed a service connection.

REPORTS

2015-131

Woytiuk

That the reports for June be accepted and filed:

1. Water Analysis Reports- May/15
2. Water Treatment Plant Report- May, 2015
3. Employee Time Sheets- May 3- /15
4. Council Reports –
 - a) BLCA - June/15 - Larson
 - b) Hafford & District Health – June 2/ 15
 - c) Chamber of Commerce – June – Rodwin
 - d) Gateway Victim Services – June – Rodwin
 - e) Blaine Lake Library – June 10/15 – Fiala
 - f) BLEDCO – AGM – Woytiuk
5. Bylaw Enforcement Officer Report – May/15
6. Administrator's Report

OFFER TO PURCHASE

2015-132

That we advise Burton Concrete that the Town's price of \$3,500.00 per lot is firm. Council will not consider a lower amount given the Town's Tax Holiday Policy for new construction.

CARRIED

OMNITRAX PROPERTIES

2015-133

That we make a counter-offer to Omnitrax and offer them \$41,000.00 for the properties they own within the Town of Blaine Lake. This offer is subject to any environmental studies that may be required.

CARRIED

OFFICE ASSISTANT

2015-134 *Rodwin*

That we hire Jennifer Nesbitt as our Office Assistant at \$15.00/hour for 15 – 20 hours per week.
CARRIED

TRANSFER STATION PORTA-POTTIES

2015-135 *Sorenson*

That we purchase a new porta-pottie for the transfer station from a local business and that we dispose of the old porta-potties that are currently located at the transfer station.
CARRIED

APPOINT POWER MOBILE EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

2015-136 *Fiala*

That we accept the RM of Spiritwood Foreman, John Mamer, as a competent operator to operate the following Power Mobile Equipment: Grader, loader and tractor.
CARRIED

2015-137 *Fiala*

That we appoint John Mamer, Foreman with the RM of Spiritwood to be competent to be a local municipal evaluator for the following pieces of Power Mobile Equipment: Grader, Loader and Tractor.
CARRIED

REPLACE AIR CONDITIONER

2015-138 *Woytiuk*

That we replace the air conditioner at the Medical Clinic.
CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Russ Krysak – Town Foreman – attended to discuss street repairs, drainage, and hydrant repairs and replacement.

Eternal Memories Funeral Home & Crematorium – Trevor Watts & Anne Sitter – introduction of new owner, Trevor Watts advise of name change and invite Council to complimentary BBQ at the Blaine Lake Sr. Citizens Centre on Thursday, June 25th, 2015; 11:30 – 1:00 pm.

BLCA PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE – Melvy Sanchez – attended to Thank Council for their support with the Cenotaph playground park and advise Council of work that still needs to be completed at the playground. On-going work includes moving swings away from play structure; signage; and trimming trees.

SET 2015 MILL RATE & BASE TAX

2015-139 *Sorenson*

That the 2015 base tax for a residential lot with improvements will be \$750.00 for a residential lot without improvements \$375.00. The base tax for a commercial lot without improvements will be \$475.00 and for a commercial lot with improvements the base tax will be \$750.00. The mill rate will be 5.72.
CARRIED

LEND EXCAVATION SAFETY CAGE TO VILLAGE OF HAFFORD

2015-140 *Onishenko*

That we give permission to the Village of Hafford to borrow our excavation safety cage on Thursday, June 18th, 2015 provided we do not have a situation arise that we would need to use the cage ourselves.
CARRIED

EAST SIDE SEWER LINE FLUSH

2015-141 *Rodwin*

That we hire McGills Industrial Service to flush the sewer lines on the East Side of Main Street CARRIED

SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR PERMIT

2015-142 *Onishenko*

That we grant permission to the Blaine Lake Chamber of Commerce for a Special Event Liquor Permit for their Community Golf Tournament to be held at our local golf course on Saturday, July 18th, 2015 from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.
CARRIED

UNREMITTED SUPERANNUATION

2015-143 *Rodwin*

That we send a letter to the RM of Blaine Lake suggesting that they contact their insurance provider to see if their “errors and omissions” insurance will cover the amount of superannuation that they did not pay on behalf of Laurie Cheveldayoff. The unremitted amount is \$23,061.00. If they wish to discuss this further, they can put it on the agenda for the next Town/RM joint meeting or they can ask us to attend the RM Council meeting.

CARRIED

CANADA 150 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

2015-144 *Larson*

That we apply to the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program for back-up generators for our Water Treatment Plant and our Water Reservoir.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

2015-145 *Onishenko*

That the correspondence be accepted and filed:

- 1. RM of Spiritwood – Operator competency
- 2. Cenotaph park/playground grand opening
- 3. Cecile Hunt – PA Parkland Health additional clinic hours
- 4. Sands Dust Control – price increase
- 5. Martin’s Lake Minutes – May 11/15
- 6. Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament
- 7. Thickwood Hills Watershed Authority Minutes – April 9
- 8. Blaine Lake Library – May 11 Minutes

PAINT BLCA OFFICE

2015-146 *Rodwin*

That we give permission to the BLCA to paint a wall in their office space.

APPROVE ACCOUNTS

2015-147 *Sorenson*

That payment of accounts with cheque number’s 7607-7663 in the amount of \$77,659.84 be approved for payment.

CARRIED

ADJOURN

2015-148 *Woytiuk*

That we adjourn.

Adjournment – 11:55 am

Date Approved: _____

Mayor: _____

CAO: _____