

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Held on Monday, September 23, 2013 at the
Town of Bowden Administration Building

Call to Order

CAO Andy Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT	Mayor	Robb Stuart
	Councillor	Sheila Church
	Councillor	Sandy Gamble
	Councillor	Lloyd Lane
	Councillor	Wayne Milaney
	Councillor	Paul Webb
	Councillor	Earl Wilson

ABSENT None

DELEGATIONS None

STAFF	Andy Weiss	Chief Administrative Officer
	Jade Prefontaine	Administrative Assistant

Official Oath of Office of Mayor

Per the Municipal Government Act (MGA) Section 156 “ A councillor, a chief elected official and a deputy and acting chief elected official may not carry out any power, duty or function until that person has taken the official oath prescribed by the *Oaths of Office Act*.

Commissioner of Oaths Brianne Lattery conducted an Official Oath of Office ceremony for Mayor Robb Stuart. The meeting was then turned over to the new Chief Elected Official Mayor Robb Stuart.

Official Oath of Office of Council

Per the Municipal Government Act (MGA) Section 156 “ A councillor, a chief elected official and a deputy and acting chief elected official may not carry out any power, duty or function until that person has taken the official oath prescribed by the *Oaths of Office Act*.

Mayor Robb Stuart conducted an Official Oath of Office ceremony for the following newly elected Councillors:

Councillor	Sheila Church
Councillor	Sandy Gamble
Councillor	Lloyd Lane
Councillor	Wayne Milaney
Councillor	Paul Webb
Councillor	Earl Wilson

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda & Adoption of the Agenda

Mayor Robb Stuart adds "Appointment of Deputy Mayor", Agenda Item #6.e.

Motion 2.a Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble Council approves the September 23, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended. **MOTION CARRIED**

Adoption of the Previous Minutes

Motion 3.a Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council approves the September 9, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

Old Business

Item 5.a Community Action Park Discussions As the Community Action Park gets closer to construction and community usage, there are a number of questions that Administration would like clarification on from Council.

1. Lighting is being contemplated in the park design and as such, will the municipality be responsible for paying for the power?
2. Park Maintenance and garbage collection are some of the ongoing maintenance jobs once the park is established. Will the municipality be responsible for looking after these items?
3. During the construction phase of the park, will Council authorise the use of Town equipment and manpower if requested by the Community Action Park Committee?
4. The Community Action Park Committee is in the process of ongoing fundraising. The attached Community in Action summary report is part of an ongoing grant application by the Committee. Will Council authorise the Mayor and Administration to draft a letter of support that the Committee can attach to their grant application?

Motion 5.a Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council approves the following requests from The Community Action Park:

1. The power bill for park lighting will be paid for by the Municipality.
2. Grounds maintenance and garbage collection will become/remain responsibilities of the Town.
3. During the construction phase, the Community Action Park Committee may use Town equipment and manpower if necessary, at the discretion of the CAO Andy Weiss.
4. A letter of support will be drafted for the Community Action Park from the Town to assist with grant applications. **MOTION CARRIED**

New Business

Item 6.a Volunteer Application Ms. Jordanne Morrison has applied to become a community at large member of the Recreation and Culture Board and Economic Development Committee.

Motion 6.a Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council approves Ms. Morrison to become a member of the Recreation and Culture Board and the Economic Development Committee for 3 year terms on each. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6.b Council Remuneration Discussion The base remuneration rate for Councillors has been in place unchanged since at least 2002 in Bowden and the base remuneration rate for the Mayor has remained unchanged since 2006.

Motion 6.b Moved by Councillor Lloyd Lane that Council directs Administration to appoint a group of citizens at large to research if the current Council remuneration is adequate and to make recommendations to Council regarding if an increase in remuneration is necessary based on their findings. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6.c Parkland Regional Library Budget The Parkland Regional Library Board requests that Council approves the 2014 budget and notifies PRL before November 1st so that any concerns can be addressed at the PRL Board meeting on November 7th.

Motion 6.c Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council approves the Parkland Regional Library budget for 2014. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6.d Community Bus Driver Identification As the Community Bus is involved in transporting a wide variety of people, it would be prudent to provide each driver with a Photo ID Badge and perhaps a T-shirt with the Town's logo to assist passengers with identifying the driver.

Motion 6.d Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council receives this item for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6.e Appointment of Deputy Mayor Per the Municipal Government Act (MGA) Section 156 " A councillor, a chief elected official and a deputy and acting chief elected official may not carry out any power, duty or function until that person has taken the official oath prescribed by the *Oaths of Office Act*.

Mayor Robb Stuart conducted an Official Oath of Office ceremony for Deputy Mayor Sheila Church.

Motion 6.e Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council appoints Sheila Church as Deputy Mayor until such time as the Organizational Meeting for 2013 – 2014 can be held. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 7 Financial Statements

Motion 7.a Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council receives the attached Cheque Listing for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion 7.b Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council receives the attached Operating Revenue & Expenditures for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion 7.c Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that Council receives the attached Capital Revenue & Expenditures for information. **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 8 Correspondence & Information

Item 8.a. Request to proclaim Restorative Justice Week 2013 Canada Correctional Services Commissioner Don Head has requested that Council Proclaim November 17 – 24, 2013 as Restorative Justice Week 2013. This week is set aside for the purpose of sharing the concrete learning and results that have come from the growing experience of practitioners and stakeholders in the application of a Restorative Justice approach and related processes.

Motion 8.a Moved by Councillor Sheila Church that Council receives this item for information.

MOTION CARRIED

Item 8.b. Trans Canada/ATCO Asset Exchange Update This is a notice that NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. ("NGTL") and ATCO Pipelines ("ATCO") have entered into an Asset Swap Agreement to exchange ownership of certain pipelines and facilities in Alberta.

Motion 8.b Moved by Councillor Earl Wilson that Council receives this item for information.

MOTION CARRIED

Item 8.c. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Innisfail Donation Request Big Brothers Big Sisters of Innisfail are celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the national parent organisation, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Canada. As part of this celebration, they will be hosting a Golden Evening with Big Brothers Big Sisters on Friday October 25th. They are requesting a donation in support of this event. The suggested donation ranges identified in the letter are \$50.00 - \$3,000.00 and with each level of donation, sponsors receive various perks for contributing.

Motion 8.c Moved by Councillor Paul Webb that Council receives this item for information.

MOTION CARRIED

Item 8.d 2012 Renewable Energy Certificate Outlines Bowden's contributions to Green Energy for 2012.

Motion 8.d Moved by Councillor Earl Wilson that Council receives this item for information

Item 9 Committee of the Whole

None

Adjournment

Motion 10.a Moved by Councillor Sandy Gamble that the September 23, 2013 Regular Council Meeting adjourns at 8:42p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Robb Stuart

Andy Weiss, Chief Administrative Officer