

## JULY 24, 2007

Meeting called to order at 4:40 pm by Mayor Best.

### IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor	F. Best
Deputy Mayor	L. Browne
Councillor	E. Müller
	F. Russell
	B. Strong
CAO	D. Strong
Town Clerk	M. Blackmore

### REGRETS

Councillor	B. Bailey
	P. Tilley
Director of Public Works	R. Smith

### 2006 AUDIT REPORT

Representative of Wendell Moore CA attended the meeting and presented the 2006 Audited Financial Statements. The report showed all departments coming in on budget with a small surplus for the year of \$20,200.

### MINUTES

***MOTION: 07-120 Cr. Strong/Cr. Russell***

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on July 10, 2007 be adopted as presented.

***IN FAVOUR 5 - CARRIED***

### BUSINESS ARISING

#### SHOPPING CENTRE

#### PARKING LOT

CAO reported that the survey of the land to be conveyed to the Shopping Centre Association should be completed by Friday.

#### TILLEY'S ROAD

#### INTERSECTION

Director of Public Works will consult with the RCMP prior to having the lines painted at the intersection of Tilley's Road and Memorial Drive. Also pavement will be tied into the curb.

### INFORMATION ITEMS

List of Items presented to Council for their information.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### 2006 AUDIT

Cr. Strong congratulated the management team on the outstanding Audit report. He felt all Department Heads were to be commended for keeping their departments within budget.

STRATEGIC PLANNING  
SESSION

Deputy Mayor Browne suggested that the Town have a Strategic Planning Session. She felt that it was very important that Council know their vision for the future of the town and where we want to go. At the next meeting a proposal will be brought forward on how to develop the plan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BEAUTIFICATION &  
NATURAL  
ENVIRONMENT

No report.

ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT

Deputy Mayor Browne presented the final report of the Business Council Working Group. She was pleased with the exercise and felt it was a very good initiative. D.M. Browne advised Council that the group recognized many of the challenges faced by Council and saw the initiative as a real eye opener. She explained to Council that many of the suggestions outlined in the report are already in place and others will be implemented by the end of July.

***MOTION: 07-121 D.M. Browne/Cr. Strong***

BE IT RESOLVED that the report of the Business Council Working Group as presented be accepted.

***IN FAVOUR 5 - CARRIED***

PUBLIC WORKS

***MOTION: 07-122 Cr. Strong/Cr. Müller***

BE IT RESOLVED that the report given on the meeting held on July 18, 2007 and recommendations therein be accepted.

***IN FAVOUR 5 - CARRIED***

WHARF REPAIR  
DARK HOLE

Council has further reviewed their decision of June 20, 2007 to reject an application to make repairs to a wharf at Dark Hole and to order the removal of the existing structure. Upon visiting the site it was felt that the existing structure could be repaired and therefore, the wharf would not be considered a new structure as first suspected.

***MOTION: 07-123 Cr. Strong/Cr. Russell***

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the request to make repairs to the wharf at Dark Hole and have the owner sign a Letter Of Understanding stating that the wharf will have to be removed should the land or water be required for future expansion to the Marina.

***IN FAVOUR 5 - CARRIED***

FINANCE,  
COMMUNICATION  
& PLANNING

**MOTION: 07-124 Cr. Russell/D.M. Browne**

BE IT RESOLVED that the report as given on the meeting held on July 17, 2007 and the recommendations therein be accepted.

**IN FAVOUR 5 - CARRIED**

LEAVE OF ABSENCE  
CAO

Request received from the CAO for a leave of absence from his position for September and October.

**MOTION: 07-125 Cr. Russell/Cr. Strong**

BE IT RESOLVED that a two month leave of absence be granted to the CAO commencing September 1, 2007.

**IN FAVOUR 5 - CARRIED**

LEAVE OF ABSENCE  
POLICY

The Finance Committee to develop a policy to deal with requests for leave of absence from Management positions.

NLFM LONG SERVICE  
AWARDS

Request received from NLFM for a list of Councillors eligible for a Government Long Service Award. It was determined that no Councillors are eligible for awards this year.

ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION: 07-126 D.M. Browne/Cr. Strong**

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 5:55 pm.

**IN FAVOUR 5 - CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Town Clerk