

**Village of Alliance
Regular Council Meeting
April 13, 2009 6 PM**

Mayor Fankhanel called the regular Council meeting to order at 6:00 PM, on Monday, April 13, 2009. Those in attendance were the Mayor, Councilors Sue Thomas and Art Ratcliffe, and the Administrator.

04-048-09
Agenda Moved by Councilor Ratcliffe that the agenda be accepted, with the addition of New Business # 9 – Signs in the Village. CARRIED.

04-049-09
Minutes
Mar 16/09 Moved by Councilor Thomas that the minutes of the regular Council meeting of March 16, 2009 be adopted as presented. CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes

Municipal Sustainability Plan - A draft of the MSP was presented with all of the ideas from the community meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for April 29.

04-050-09
Restricted Dog Bylaw 2009-01
Councilor Thomas moved that first reading be given to the Restricted Dog Bylaw. CARRIED

04-051-09
2nd Reading Mayor Fankhanel moved that second reading be given to Bylaw 2009-01, the Restricted, Vicious and Guard Dog Bylaw. CARRIED

04-052-09
3RD reading Moved by Councilor Ratcliffe that third reading be given to Bylaw 2009-01, the Restricted, Vicious and Guard Dog Bylaw. CARRIED

04-053-09
Cat Bylaw Moved by Councilor Thomas that first reading be given to Bylaw 2009-02, the Cat Bylaw. CARRIED

04-054-09
Cube Van Councilor Ratcliffe moved that we approve the purchase of the cube van as proposed by the fire Department in March, subject to seeing current satisfactory Government inspection documents. Purchase price of \$48,000 less \$10,000 trade-in value on 1967 fire truck, should include the cost of inspection. CARRIED

04-055-09
Bentonite chips Councilor Thomas moved that we purchase bentonite chips to repair the culvert at the dam. CARRIED

Foreman Cameron did not attend the meeting.

Financial Report

04-056-09
Cash Statement Mayor Fankhanel moved the acceptance of the monthly Cash statement as presented with an imbalance of \$17.86. CARRIED

04-057-09
Cheque Listing Councilor Ratcliffe moved the acceptance of the cheque listing from March 17, 2009 to April 13, 2009. CARRIED

04-058-09
Targeted Investment grant
Councilor Thomas moved that the balance of the 2007 Targeted Investment Grant be designated as follows:
New furnace for office \$ 3,137
New computer 1,273
Fire equipment 699
Portable steamer repair 1,669
Tractor bucket 1,600
Water meters & Installation 1,652. CARRIED

Budget. Council reviewed the budget to date.

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New Business

04-059-09

ECS Playground

Councilor Ratcliffe moved that we accept the ECS Playground equipment donation and that the Village will be responsible to move it to the Sports Grounds. CARRIED

04-060-09

County Peace officers

Mayor Fankhanel moved that we accept Flagstaff County's offer of one hour per month free services of their Peace Officers. CARRIED

04-061-09

Bill 204

Moved by Councilor Ratcliffe that we send a letter to our MLA in support of Bill 204, The Provincial – Municipal Tax Sharing Act. CARRIED

04-062-09

Senior's Week

Moved by Councilor Thomas that we June 1 – 7 be officially declared as Senior's Week. CARRIED

04-063-09

Waterplant piping tenders

Councilor Thomas excused herself from the discussions, due to possible conflict of interest.

Councilor Ratcliffe moved that we recommend to Banner Engineering that dependent upon satisfactory reference checks, Jay Stuckey's bid of \$10,100 be accepted, for the waterplant piping upgrade, CARRIED

Admin presented a resident's concern regarding fireworks and firebans. Admin will send a letter regarding the fire bylaw to the offender.

04-064-09

Special meetings

Councilor Thomas moved that we hold a final budget meeting on Wed. May 6 at 9:30 am, and that May Regular Council be on Monday, May 11, due to Victoria Day holiday on the usual meeting date. CARRIED

Committee Reports

CAC

- Councilor Thomas was unable to attend due to conflicting meetings.

Fire

- Councilor Ratcliffe reported that many things need to be fixed up in the fire hall especially in the washroom, log books should be kept for the fire trucks, need a listing in the hall of certificates and training. Would like to see a fire report in the newsletter, and other ways of raising the profile of the Dept in the community.

Flagstaff Waste - Councilor Ratcliffe reported.

Flagstaff Housing – Councillor Thomas reported. Audited financial statements were received. A facility feasibility study is being conducted at the Flagstaff Manor.

Library

- Mayor Fankhanel reported some contention on the board regarding the rules of operation, and the requirement of meeting Provincial standards in order to receive the operating grants.

Rec Board

- Councilor Ratcliffe reported that the campground caretaker was hired, the ball diamond rebuild is underway, and grants were considered. The village is urged to apply the Flagstaff County for the capital grant.

BRAED

- No Meeting

FIP

- Mayor Fankhanel reported. We are now going to have to pay our own pager repairs as the grant has ended. A Project Co-ordinator has been hired for FIP. She will work 50% for FIP and 50% for County. The decision on how to fund the Regional Emergency Services Co-ordinator is still up in the air, since the county refused the choice of the towns and villages. This was referred back to County Council for reconsideration.

Trail of the Buffalo – .Cancelled due to weather.

Adjourned at 9:40 PM by Mayor Fankhanel.

Mayor

Administrator