

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

Mayor Fankhanel called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6 PM on July 13th. Those in attendance were Councilors Art Ratcliffe and Sue Thomas, the Administrator and Administrative assistant, Elaine Wallace.

07-100-09
Adopt agenda Councilor Thomas moved the adoption of the agenda. CARRIED

07-101-09
Minutes
June 15/09 Councilor Thomas moved that the minutes of the June 15, 2009 Council meeting be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

Business Arising from the Minutes

07-102-09
Building Repair Mayor Fankhanel moved that we call for tenders for exterior repairs to the office to be presented to the August Council meeting. CARRIED

07-103-09
Legal advice Due to the results of the Municipal Safety Audit, and the issues with the performance of Alberta Permit Pro, Councilor Ratcliffe moved:

- 1) That a complete internal report on permits outstanding, fees outstanding, and all other issues in this regard be prepared by July 31, and
- 2) that we seek legal advice regarding our liability with regards to building permits
- 3) that we keep permit tracking in-house with the Assistant Administrator being assigned to these duties.

CARRIED

07-104-09
Encroachment Agreement
Councilor Thomas moved that the Encroachment agreement on Lot 1, Block 17, Plan 0725074 be ratified as signed. CARRIED

Foreman's Report

Waterplant concerns – Many of the bolts in the new work seem to be shorter than necessary, as the threads are barely catching, also no Anti-seize was used on the bolts – is that a concern?

Bylaw Officer's Report

Was not available at the time of the meeting

Financial Statement

07-105-09
Cash Statement Moved by Mayor Fankhanel that the June cash Statement be accepted as presented. CARRIED

07-106-09
Cheque Listing Mayor Fankhanel moved the acceptance of the cheque listing. CARRIED

The budget was reviewed.

New Business

Elda Yakimovich joined the meeting at 7 PM. She departed at 7:20 pm.

07-107-09
Adjust utilities Moved by Mayor Fankhanel that Council will reduce the cost of uncollected utility bills on roll 4600 by 50% for this one time only, due to perceived miscommunication. If the owner is successful in collecting the entire bill, we would expect that they would reimburse the village the 50%. CARRIED

07-108-09
Utility deposit Councillor Ratcliffe moved that Schedule A of bylaw 2002-03 be revised so that Security deposit is \$150 payable prior to turning on the curbstop. CARRIED

WI Heritage Garden - the ideas presented by Dianne Carroll were discussed, but we need a more definite plan in writing from the Women's Institute.

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Encroachment Agreement, Roll 12800

Councilor Ratcliffe moved that we enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the owners of Lot 16, Block 9, Plan 304 BZ allowing them to continue using our property that adjoins it. CARRIED

Fire Department Issues – need to revamp the Fire Department bylaw and policies.

School Building – There was discussion regarding what to do about the future of the school building, with the following steps to be pursued:

- Request meeting with BRRD Board and Deputy Superintendent to ask for some of the School of Necessity funding.
- Meet with Municipal Historical Resources
- Contact FCM about money for a feasibility study
- Proceed with Municipal Heritage designation
- Form a planning team

07-110-09

Sustainability Plan

Mayor Fankhanel moved that the Municipal Sustainability Plan developed in March 2009 be adopted as an ongoing action plan for the community of Alliance. CARRIED

Correspondence

- Flagstaff Housing letters to EO Lysne Manor residents
- Response to Flagstaff Housing from one resident

Committee Reports

CAC - Councilor Thomas reported on June 30 meeting.

Fire - Councilor Ratcliffe reported.

Flagstaff Housing – Councilor Thomas reported.

Flagstaff Waste - Councilor Ratcliffe reported that

FIP - No meeting

Trail of the Buffalo – Mayor Fankhanel questioned whether Council would support a Tourism Destination Tax, i.e. an added fee to campground fees

Adjourned at 9:30 PM by Mayor Fankhanel.

 Mayor

 Administrator