

**APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD MAY 14, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The regular Council meeting was held May 14, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Morrell presiding and Councillors Oliver, Wilson, Gillis, Smith and Jeffery present also Cst. Dunnett, Marvin Riley, Ray Arsenault, Raymond Bernard, Paul Cotton, John Ellsworth and David MacDonald – Graphic.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried for the approval of the agenda with the addition of Lions Cavalcade advertisement.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Wilson and carried for the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held April 9, 2007.

CORRESPONDENCE

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Wilson and carried that whereas Canada has yet to properly honour, in a suitable location that is always accessible to the public, the names of all of our fallen in wars and peacekeeping; and whereas over 115,000 Fallen have their graves in seventy-three countries and hundreds of cemeteries; and whereas their remains, by law, cannot be repatriated to Canada; and whereas we must create a suitable shrine to our fallen; and whereas proper recognition will show our gratitude and respect for their sacrifice; therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Alberton request that the Government of Canada enact Private Members Bill C-417, the Canadian Soldiers' and Peacekeepers' Memorial Wall Act.

Emergency Measures Organization will be asked that in the future they send out the information on courses earlier.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to file the correspondence.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR BUILDING PERMITS

A building permit application was received from Rayona Murphy at sidewalk Grill for a sidewalk patio with an iron fence.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Smith and carried to give approval to Sidewalk Grill for a sidewalk patio pending approval from the fire marshal and Dept. of Transportation and if approved to be removed by October 31st and not placed out until after May 1st.

The motion was made by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to approve the building permit application from Western Community Curling Club pending the fire marshal's approval.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Morrell gave his report and congratulated the fire department for the new van and to the members for all their hard work and all the fund raising and to those who made donations. Mayor Morrell also congratulated our recreation director for receiving the male athlete of the year and Kevin Ellsworth for winning the Canadian National Legion Championship. Mayor Morrell attended nine meetings during the month.

Mayor Morrell reported for RCMP. The report was distributed.

The motion was made by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Smith and carried that the town place one ad in the paper for any new business to locate in town and we will assist however we can.

Councillor Jeffery reported for recreation and tourism in the absence of Councillor Curtis. Jeff requested input on whether to keep the fishing derby and council agreed to keep it.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to pay the recreation bills in the amount of \$1,689.36 including mileage.

Councillor Smith reported for fire. There were eleven calls during the month. The new rescue unit is in service.

Councillor Gillis reported for environment. There was one private sewer blockage during the month.

Councillor Wilson reported for streets. Councillor Wilson met with three contractors and asked for proposals for extending Weeks Drive and paving Lorne Street. He sent Councillor Dunn a letter to request Children Present in the Area signs, removing the curb in front of Alberton Elementary, to fix the road/sidewalk area by the Anglican Church and to thank him for the guard rail that is to be installed on Argyle Street. Councillor Wilson said he would identify streets that need repair with Lenny.

Councillor Oliver reported for finance. The balances were as follows –

General Account	45,107.51
Sewer Account	5,641.09
CIBC Line of Credit	40,416.10
Sinking Fund T-Bill	572.16
Sewer T-Bill	530.67.

The motion was made by Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$174,903.29.

NEW BUSINESS

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to apply for a grant for lagoon capacity.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to go ahead with the infrastructure project that has been approved.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to put tenders out for the engineer for 2007 for infrastructure projects.

Terra Lynn Shea arrived at the meeting.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to get prices to secure a loan and line of credit for the infrastructure project.

The motion was made by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried that the town will cover the difference of \$333.33 per month with the loan for the fire department rescue van.

Mayor Morrell told Councillor Wilson he should abstain because he is a fireman and it would be a conflict of interest. Councillors Gillis, Smith, Jeffery, and Oliver voted yes and Councillor Wilson abstained.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to buy \$25.00 Lions Cavalcade for Diabetes.

PUBLIC INPUT

Paul Cotton said the catch basin on Argyle Street has been catching the snow removal equipment. He said if they would leave it down some so it is not catching but it is too expensive to lower them and also one at the end of Prince William Street. He said Delcom should pay to fix the one on Argyle Street.

Marvin Riley asked if the patio at the Grill would be for a liquor license and said they should look at the bakery too if they were worried about blocking the sidewalk.

Terra Lynn Shea said she was wondering about the recreation director and if the town was doing anything about keeping him here. She said she hopes the town will do something, as he is an asset to the community.

Ray Millman said the town does not want to talk about it but how much more could the outlying areas put into it. Ray Millman asked if the tuition fees for hockey could be put up to offset it. He said he was looking for other people to help pay for it.

John Ellsworth said if they start raising fees to make sure they are comparable to other areas. He said he gets his skates sharpened, uses the canteen and they should take that into consideration before they start raising the fees.

Ray Millman asked if there was any more word on the sign. Marvin Riley asked if Jeff's salary was equivalent to the salaries of Tignish and O'Leary.

The motion was made by Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to go to a committee of the whole.

The motion was made by Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried to return from a committee of the whole.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried raise the recreation director's salary to \$30,000.00.
Councillors Wilson, Gillis, Smith and Jeffery voted yes and Councillor Oliver voted no.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to adjourn the meeting.