

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#2017-JUNE-17 REGULAR MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL – MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017

Councillor MacPhee moved that the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of Town Council held on Monday, June 26, 2017 be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#2017-JUNE-18 REGULAR MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL – MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017

Councillor Berry moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Town Council held on Monday, June 12, 2017 be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

DELEGATION

VEGREVILLE KINSMEN GOLF CLUB – *IN CAMERA FOIP ACT, DIVISION 2, SECTIONS 16-29*

#2017-JUNE-19

Councillor Simpson moved that Town Council go in-camera at 7:01 p.m.

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-20

Councillor Simpson moved that Town Council come out of camera at 7:22 p.m.

Carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

#2017-JUNE-21 HONOURABLE BETTY UNGER, ALBERTA SENATOR – CLOSURE OF VEGREVILLE CASE PROCESSING CENTRE

Correspondence dated June 14, 2017 from Honourable Betty Unger, Alberta Senator stating:

I have been deeply disturbed since learning some time ago of the Federal Government's decision to close the Vegreville Immigration Case Processing Centre. It is clear that their decision was made without the proper information or consultation with you and your council, and will have a devastating impact on the community of Vegreville.

Please find attached my letter to Minister Hussen on this matter. I have also attached copies of my questions in the Senate to the Government House Leader and a recent press release.

As an Alberta Senator, I will continue to do all I can to press the government to reconsider this regrettable course of action and to reverse their decision.

Councillor Simpson moved that the correspondence dated June 14, 2017 Honourable Betty Unger, Alberta Senator be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-22 HONOURABLE DOUGLAS BLACK, ALBERTA SENATOR – VEGREVILLE CASE PROCESSING CENTRE

Correspondence dated June 13, 2017 from Honourable Douglas Black, Alberta Senator stating:

I was very disappointed to receive this letter from The Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship. I wanted to share the response with you for your information.

Dear Senator Black:

Thank you for your correspondence of May 8, 2017, concerning the relocation of the workload from the Case Processing Centre (CPC) from Vegreville to Edmonton.

I acknowledge the concerns you raise in your letter, and I am aware of the impact that the decision to relocate the Vegreville CPC to downtown Edmonton will have on many CPC Vegreville staff and on the community of Vegreville as a whole. Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) has received feedback on this issue from many stakeholders, including elected officials at all levels of government, bargaining agents, and individual Canadians. The Department has taken the opportunity to meet with various stakeholders to address particular concerns and to clarify IRCC's business requirements and the decision to relocate the CPC.

IRCC is relocating its CPC from Vegreville to Edmonton on September 4, 2018, in an effort to respond to increased demand in various lines of business, and to expand operations.

While the decision to relocate the Vegreville CPC to downtown Edmonton was difficult for IRCC management, the current location in Vegreville does not meet the Department's current or future business requirements; relocating to Edmonton will enable the growth of IRCC's operations and allow the Department to address future workload needs.

The current location of the CPC in Vegreville has posed considerable challenges to IRCC's capacity to maintain operations, such as the recruitment and retention of staff, which could undermine the functioning and service standards of the CPC in coming years. While IRCC has used a variety of recruitment strategies in recent years, recruitment efforts have, to date, been unsuccessful.

In the decision to move the CPC to Edmonton, the Department considered the new location's proximity to universities, the availability of public transit, housing options, and career growth opportunities within the federal government, each of which is a factor that will make it easier to recruit and retain both qualified and bilingual employees, as well as to meet IRCC's growing needs

The future site of the CPC at 9700 Jasper Avenue in downtown Edmonton is the same location as IRCC's regional office; this location will accommodate 312 employees, and the introduction of shiftwork will allow IRCC to double this capacity. With the ability to recruit and retain staff to meet this capacity, the Department will be able to expand its operations in Alberta in the coming years.

All current indeterminate IRCC employees will have the opportunity to continue their employment in their current positions when the CPC has relocated to Edmonton, and they will be eligible for relocation assistance to support them through this transition period. Term employees at the time of the move will also be offered employment at the new office.

With regard to the cost of relocating, the government's most recent investment analysis indicated that the costs for relocation to Edmonton, with expansion for 312 employees from the current 220, will be approximately \$40 million over 25 years. Based on current costs and the current number of employees, and without factoring in workforce expansion, the probable increase of lease costs, or the cost of necessary repairs, the cost of staying in Vegreville is at least \$35 million over 25 years. The move to Edmonton is, overall, therefore more cost effective in allowing IRCC to expand the workforce at the CPC by at least 40 percent.

Thank you, once again, for taking the time to write about this important matter. I realize that this announcement has come as a disappointment to many people, but I assure you that all feedback received by the Department is taken into consideration as IRCC moves forward with a view to improving the services that it provides to its clients.

Councillor MacPhee moved that the correspondence dated June 13, 2017 from Honourable Douglas Black, Alberta Senator be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-23 ALBERTA URBAN MUNICIPALITIES ASSOCIATION – REBATE FOR 2016 PARTICIPATION IN BUSINESS SERVICES

Correspondence dated June 19, 2017 from Lisa Holmes, AUMA President stating:

We are very pleased to provide your municipality with the enclosed rebate in recognition of your valued participation in 2016 with two or more of our following business services: Employee Benefits, Property and Casualty Insurance, and Electricity and Natural Gas. Please ensure that this rebate is communicated to your council and administration as a reflection of your ability as our member to share in the outcomes of these services.

As an owner of our association, we encourage you to fully utilize these service offerings. The modest profits generated by these services are returned to you through this rebate as well as through the AUMA's policy, programs and advocacy services that they help fund.

We are challenging our participating municipalities to use this rebate in an innovative way that will directly benefit your community. We invite you to email us with a story and picture of your use of these funds at rebatecontest@auma.ca by September 30, 2017. Municipalities who demonstrate the most innovative use of the funds will each receive one free AUMA 2017 convention registration worth a further \$700. We will also showcase the winning ideas at our AUMA convention and in our 2017 Annual Report. We hope you will participate in this fun initiative!

For further information about the rebate or to discuss how we can continue to support your municipality through our services, please contact our Business Development team at 310-AUMA.

Councillor Simpson moved that the correspondence dated June 19, 2017 from Lisa Holmes, AUMA President be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-24 COUNTY OF MINBURN NO 27 – 2017 SOLID WASTE AGREEMENT

Correspondence dated June 21, 2017 from David Marynowich, County Manager stating:

At the June 20, 2017 meeting, County of Minburn Council completed their review of the 2017 Solid Waste Agreement proposed by the Town of Vegreville.

In Council's opinion, the following information is submitted to the Town of Vegreville Council for further review:

- *The County of Minburn earlier this year budgeted approximately \$68,000 for the 2017 Solid Waste Agreement as advised by the Town's email dated January 17, 2017.*
- *Recycling operations were never included in previous landfill agreements.*
- *No indication of including the proposed recycling operation costs was mentioned by the Town prior to receiving the proposed 2017 agreement. In the future, discuss the Town's intention before adding it to the agreement.*
- *The County does not require the Town's recycling program for its residents for 2017.*
- *The County is currently looking at its own recycling needs for all County residents.*

Therefore, Council is willing to pay somewhere in the budget amount of \$68,000.

Kindly provide us with a workable agreement for 2017 which does not include your recycling program for our residents.

We look forward to your reply.

Councillor Rudyk moved that the correspondence dated June 21, 2017 from David Marynowich, County Manager be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-25 COUNTY OF MINBURN NO.27 – REGIONAL RECREATION & CULTURE MASTER PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE

Correspondence dated June 21, 2017 from David Marynowich, County Manager stating:

At the June 20, 2017 meeting, County of Minburn County Council reviewed your letter of June 5, 2017.

Council strongly believe the first step in proceeding with the Regional Recreation & Culture Master Plan should be to hold a partner/stakeholder meeting so that all Councillors and appropriate staff attend to look at what's involved in the study and how it's going to be carried out.

Discussion with the stakeholders present will also provide what direction to go, composition of the Steering Committee, etc.

Please refer to the Conditional Grant Agreement Schedule "A" where it states "The Grant Recipient, as the designated managing partner, will carry out the following work on behalf of the Project participants...."

- *Undertake any related activities which may include:*
 - ***Stakeholder consultations;***
 - *Supporting plans and studies;*
 - *Development of agreements;*
 - *Development or amendment of bylaws; or*
 - *Project specific research and administration."*

Please submit this suggestion to Town Council for further review. We look forward to your reply.

Councillor Simpson moved that the correspondence dated June 21, 2017 from David Marynowich, County Manager be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL

#2017-JUNE-26 TOWN OF VEGREVILLE MONTHLY CASH STATEMENT FOR MONTH ENDED MAY 31, 2017

Councillor Simpson moved that the Town of Vegreville Monthly Cash Statement for the month Ended May 31, 2017 be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

MEMORANDA

#2017-JUNE-27 PAUL CASEY, CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTOR, PROPERTY ASSESSMENT EXEMPTION FOR VEGREVILLE ASSOCIATION FOR LIVING IN DIGNITY (VALID)

A Request for Council Decision dated June 24, 2017 from Paul Casey, Corporate Services Director stating:

On April 21, 2017, VALID purchased the property located at 4841-59th Ave. This property is a single family home which will be utilized as a housing unit to accommodate residences for selected VALID clientele. VALID owns similar properties in Vegreville which are for the same purpose. These properties are included in the Non-Profit Organization Assessment Code classification. VALID has been incorporated as a Non-Profit Organization under the Societies Act since 1962.

The Municipal Government Act, in Section 362(1)(n)(iii)(B) reads as follows:

Section 362(1) The following are exempt from taxation

- (n) property that is
- (iii) used for a charitable or benevolent purpose that is for the benefit of the general public, and owned by
- (B) a non-profit organization

Section 364(1) A council may by bylaw exempt from taxation [under the Division] property held by a non-profit organization.

The Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation AR281 1998 in reference to MGA Section 362(1)(n)(iii):

Section 10(1) states that the property is not exempt from taxation unless:

- (a) the charitable or benevolent purpose for which the property is primarily used is a purpose that benefits the general public in the municipality in which the property is located, and
- (b) the resources of the non-profit organization that holds the property are devoted chiefly to the charitable or benevolent purpose for which the property is used.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The current assessments on this property is as follows:

Taxroll 381110 4841 – 59th Ave \$426,110 2017 Tax Levy \$4,449.57

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

VALID will be notified in writing of the decision of Council with respect to the application for exemption.

Councillor Brodziak moved that Town Council approve the exemption from taxation for Lot 42, Block 83, Plan 0723637 owned by Vegreville Association for Living in Dignity, effective January 1, 2018, based on Municipal Government Act Sections 362(1)(n)(iii), 364(1) and Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation AR 281 1998 10(1)

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-28 PAUL CASEY, CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTOR – SALE OF TOWN OWNED LAND

A request for Council Decision dated June 24, 2017 from Paul Casey, Corporate Services Director stating:

The Town of Vegreville periodically has properties that it wishes to dispose of. The Town of Vegreville Policy 2017-11, Sale of Town Owned Land, (the Policy) in place to formalize the process for the disposition of Town owned lands. In accordance with the Policy, the Town Manager together with the Director of Infrastructure, Planning & Development and the Corporate Services Director identified four vacant lots that the Town could offer for sale. The Policy requires Council to set the selling price of the properties.

PROPOSAL

It is proposed that the properties noted below can be offered for sale at the selling prices listed.

<i>Civic Address</i>	<i>Legal Address</i>	<i>Zoning</i>	<i>Selling Price</i>
5252-52 Ave	Plan 5516AK, Block 5, Lot 18	C2-General Commercial	\$34,000
4709-49 Street	Plan 1966AB, Block 32, Lots 23&24	Residential (R2)	\$60,000
4414-49A Street	Plan RN66A, Block 3, Lot 13	Residential (R1)	\$60,000
5617-49A Street	Plan RN80, Block 18, Lot 5	Residential (R2)	\$60,000

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

In accordance with the Policy, the list of town owned properties offered for sale will be posted on the Town’s website, advertised in the local newspaper and provided to the local Realtors. In addition, for sale signs will be placed on the properties advising prospective purchasers to contact their local realtor.

Councillor MacPhee moved that Town Council approve the listing price of the properties noted below at the selling prices listed.

<i>Civic Address</i>	<i>Legal Address</i>	<i>Zoning</i>	<i>Selling Price</i>
5252-52 Ave	Plan 5516AK, Block 5, Lot 18	C2-General Commercial	\$34,000
4709-49 Street	Plan 1966AB, Block 32, Lots 23&24	Residential (R2)	\$60,000
4414-49A Street	Plan RN66A, Block 3, Lot 13	Residential (R1)	\$60,000
5617-49A Street	Plan RN80, Block 18, Lot 5	Residential (R2)	\$60,000

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-29 DALE LEFEBVRE, INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR – LABOUR. EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLE RENTAL RATES BYLAW NO. 04-2013 SCHEDULE “A”

A Request for Council Decision dated June 20, 2017 from Dale Lefebvre, Infrastructure, Planning & Development Director stating:

The Alberta Road-Builders and Heavy Construction Association (ARHCA) produces an equipment rate book annually. The Town uses the rates published in this book to charge out equipment and vehicles for services such as our contracted services. In 2017, the ARHCA’s changes only affect the following Town owned unit:

<u>Description</u>	<u>2016 Rate</u>	<u>2017 Proposed Rate</u>
416C Caterpillar Backhoe with Operator	\$124.26/hour	\$127.68/hour

As a result of the additions and decommissioning of the Town assets and changes to the ARHCA Guide, the following changes need to be made to Schedule “A”:

<u>Add:</u>	<u>2017 Proposed Rate</u>
Unit# 31, 1 Ton Truck	\$42.00/hour
Unit#112, Vac Truck w/Operator	\$275.00/hour
Unit# 479, Schwarze Street Sweeper w/Operator	\$206.00/hour

<u>Delete</u>
Unit# 401, Mobile Street Sweeper w/Operator

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The proposed rate increases will primarily affect our contracted services for ACE, Andrew, County of Minburn (Lavoy), Innisfree, Two Hills, and Willingdon.

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Upon Council approval, correspondence will be forwarded to those affected advising of the amendment to the bylaw and a copy of the new Schedule “A” will be provided.

Councillor Berry moved that Town Council approve amending Bylaw No. 04-2013, Schedule “A”, effective June 1, 2017, as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>2016 Rate</u>	<u>2017 Proposed Rate</u>
416C Caterpillar Backhoe with Operator	\$124.26/hour	\$127.68/hour

<u>Add:</u>	<u>2017 Proposed Rate</u>
Unit #31, 1 Ton Truck	\$42.00/hour
Unit#112, Vac Truck w/Operator	\$275.00/hour
Unit# 479, Schwarze Street Sweeper w/Operator	\$206.00/hour

<u>Delete</u>
Unit# 401, Mobile Street Sweeper w/Operator

Carried unanimously.

#2017-JUNE-30 CLIFF CRAIG, TOWN MANAGER – DEPUTY MAYOR APPOINTMENT

A Memorandum dated June 26, 2017 from Cliff Craig, Town Manager stating:

Recommendation is being made that Councillor Michael Simpson be appointed Deputy Mayor for the term of June 27, 2017 to October 23, 2017.

Councillor Berry moved that Councillor Michael Simpson be appointed Deputy Mayor for the term of June 27, 2017 to October 23, 2017.

Carried unanimously.

SUPPLEMENTAL

#2017-JUNE-16 VEGREVILLE LIONS CLUB - ANNIVERSARY

Correspondence dated June 26, 2017 from the Vegreville Lions Club stating:

You are cordially invited to: Vegreville Lions Community Playground & Spray Park, Sunday, July 9, 2017 from 11 am – 4 pm. Anniversary Fun Celebration. Vegreville Lions 70th & Lions International 100th.

Councillor Brodziak moved that the correspondence dated June 26, 2017 from the Vegreville Lions Club be received and filed.

Carried unanimously.

COUNCIL REPORTS

MAYOR HAYDUK

Mayor Hayduk reported and/or attended on the following:

- AUMA Mayor's Caucus in Okotoks - June 13-15, 2017
- Hearing at Human Rights Commission - June 16, 2017
- Thank you to Shannon Stubbs - June 17, 2017
- Legislative Committee Meeting - June 20, 2017
- Vegreville Royal Canadian Legion Meeting - June 21, 2017
- Telephone Calls to MPs regarding FCM Resolution - June 21-23, 2017
- Hearing at Human Rights Commission - June 22, 2017
- Vegreville Rotary Lobsterfest - June 22, 2017
- Regular Meeting of Town Council - June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR BERRY

Councillor Berry reported and/or attended on the following:

- Impact Vegreville Committee Meeting - June 15, 2017
- Canada Day Planning Meeting - June 15, 2017
- Legislative Committee Meeting - June 20, 2017
- 100 People Who Care Event - June 21, 2017
- Regular Meeting of Town Council - June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR BRODZIAK

Councillor Brodziak reported and/or attended on the following:

- Impact Vegreville Committee Meeting - June 15, 2017
- Canada Day Planning Meeting - June 15, 2017
- Legislative Committee Meeting - June 20, 2017
- Vegreville Age Friendly Subcommittee Meeting - June 21, 2017
- 100 People Who Care Event - June 21, 2017
- Vegreville Rotary Lobsterfest - June 22, 2017
- Regular Meeting of Town Council - June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR MACPHEE

Councillor MacPhee reported and/or attended on the following:

- Legislative Committee Meeting - June 20, 2017
- Community Futures Annual General Meeting - June 23, 2017
- Regular Meeting of Town Council - June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR RUDYK

Councillor Rudyk reported and/or attended on the following:

- Telephone Calls to Liberal MPs regarding FCM Resolution - June 9 & 12, 2017
- AUMA Mayor's Caucus in Okotoks - June 13-15, 2017
- Economic Development Board Business Visitations - June 16, 2017
- Legislative Committee Meeting - June 20, 2017
- St. Joseph's Community Board Strategic Planning Meeting - June 21, 2017
- Vegreville Economic Development Executive Committee Meeting - June 22, 2017
- Vegreville & District Child Coalition Development Committee Meeting - June 26, 2017
- Regular Meeting of Town Council - June 26, 2017

COUNCILLOR SIMPSON

Councillor Simpson reported and/or attended on the following:

- Legislative Committee Meeting - June 20, 2017
- Vegreville Library Board Meeting - June 22, 2017
- TransCanada Yellowhead Highway Association Meeting - June 23, 2017
- Regular Meeting of Town Council - June 26, 2017

#2017-JUNE-31

Councillor Simpson moved that Town Council go in-camera at 8:31 p.m.

Carried unanimously.

Councillor Simpson left the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

Councillor Simpson returned to the meeting at 9:27 p.m.

#2017-JUNE-32

Councillor Simpson moved that Town Council come out of camera at 9:27 p.m.

Carried unanimously.

There being no further business to be brought before Council, Mayor Hayduk declared the Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

MYRON HAYDUK
Mayor

CLIFF CRAIG
Town Manager