

TOWN OF ALTONA

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Altona Council held on April 27, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

Present – Council: Deputy Mayor Earl Dick, Tim Fast, Ann Kroeker, Terry Wiebe, Don Braun and Ted Klassen. Administration: Russ Phillips, Delores Loewen, Irv Braun, Ron Epp, Steve Wiebe, Perry Batchelor and Youth Representative Jordan Siemens.

Absent – Mayor Melvin Klassen, Larry Driedger, Bill Loewen

Media Table – Greg Vandermeullen, Echo; Dean Penner, CFAM

1. Call to order - Chair
Deputy Mayor Earl Dick opened the meeting at the appointed time.

2. Review of agenda & previous minutes:

2.111 April 13, 2010 Council Minutes

76-2010 – Terry Wiebe-Ann Kroeker – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the April 13, 2010 meeting of Council be adopted as posted and circulated.

CARRIED.

3. Delegations – No formal delegations were present.

4. Hearings - None

5. Administrative Reports – CAO Russ Phillips reviewed his report circulated earlier. Russ also advised of a recent sewer failure on 4th Avenue NE. Town crews & LET Construction were engaged in excavating and repairing the break.

6. Committee Reports:

6.1 Finance & Administration

6.111 Committee Minutes – April 20th, 2010 Meeting

Councillor Tim Fast reviewed the minutes with Council. Some items were dealt with via resolution.

77-2010 – Tim Fast-Ted Klassen – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 1680/2010, to rezone some properties on Third Street NW from “RS” Residential Single Family to “MB” Industrial Business District, be now given first reading and that we proceed with advertising.

CARRIED.

Councillor Tim Fast opened discussion on Bridge Road Development's to construct a multiple family dwelling at 103 First Street NW. Administration has reviewed the requirement to provide a drainage plan and has recommended a development agreement be entered into with the developer to hard-surface the lane immediately west of the proposed dwellings. The lane would be designed to convey drainage south to the catch basin on Fourth Avenue NW. There is recognition that these new dwellings are needed.

Don Braun made motion that the Town of Altona commit no more than \$8,000 to this hard-surfacing project however this motion was not seconded and therefore was lost.

78-2010 – Tim Fast-Terry Wiebe – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Conditional Use Application C2010A, to construct a multiple family dwelling at 103 First Street NW, be approved as applied for subject to the following conditions:

- a. That the developer, Bridge Road Developments (Ken Penner), enter into a development agreement with the Town to establish the appropriate drainage to the satisfaction of the Town Engineer, and;
- b. That said development agreement include for the hard surfacing of the N/S lane immediately west of the developer's project. Such hard surfacing shall be of a concrete design as approved by the Town Engineer and the developer shall be responsible to pay for 50% of the costs of the improvements required to service his project and provide for adequate drainage to the south terminating at 4th Avenue. The developer's share of these costs shall be no more than \$11,000 plus GST.

Recorded Vote:

Mel Klassen	-	ABSENT
Earl Dick	-	YES
Terry Wiebe	-	YES
Ted Klassen	-	YES
Ann Kroeker	-	YES
Don Braun	-	NO
Tim Fast	-	YES

CARRIED.

79-2010 – Tim Fast-Terry Wiebe – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Account Cheque Numbers 38638 to 38752 and the Payroll and Indemnities for March 11th to April 7th 2010 be approved as reviewed and recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee.

CARRIED.

80-2010 – Tim Fast-Don Braun – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 1679/2010, to provide for imposition of taxes for 2010, be now given third reading and passed.

Recorded Vote:

Mel Klassen	-	ABSENT
Earl Dick	-	YES
Terry Wiebe	-	YES
Ted Klassen	-	YES
Ann Kroeker	-	YES
Don Braun	-	YES
Tim Fast	-	YES

CARRIED.

81-2010 – Tim Fast-Don Braun – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the fuel allowance paid to the Fire Chief and the Town Engineer, for the use of their personal vehicles be set at \$178.50 per month effective May 1st, 2010.

CARRIED.

82-2010 – Tim Fast-Ted Klassen – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Town of Altona grant to the Altona & Area Family Resource Centre an amount of \$2,500 for 2010 to help establish and operate the early childhood intervention initiative that is being proposed.

CARRIED.

6.112 Altona Community Development Corporation – No report

6.113 Chamber of Commerce – Tim Fast provided an overview of the Chamber report as it was covered in the review of the Finance & Administration Committee Minutes. Of note, he emphasized the Chamber continues to discuss ways by which to encourage people to shop at home.

6.114 Sunbelt Development Group – No report

6.115 Pembina Valley Development Corporation Report – No report, next meeting coming up soon.

6.116 PVDC Tourism Committee – No report.

6.117 Triple R Community Futures – No report

6.118 RPGA Planning District - Councillor Ted Klassen reported that Dillon Consulting has been engaged to provide planning and engineering

consulting services to the RPGA. The next RPGA meeting is May 4th in Altona.

6.2 Community & Social Development

6.211 Committee Report (if any) – None.

6.212 CARE - Councillor Terry Wiebe reported that the Annual General Meeting will be held on May 17th, 2010.

6.213 Manitoba Sunflower Festival

Councillor Ann Kroeker reported that the committee has not met since her last report to Council. She reported having tickets to the upcoming Manitoba Homecoming Social which is set for May 15th, 2010. Councillors are all encouraged to attend. Tickets are \$10 if purchased in advance.

6.214 Council Youth Representative Report

Youth Representative, Jordon Siemens reported the following:

- April 29 - Coffee House at WC Miller
- May 5 – First track meet
- April 27 - Boys Baseball playing their first double-header in Altona
- May 14 – Senior Jazz concert
- June 1 – Art showing at Buhler Hall in Gretna

Jordan also advised that the girl's softball team is fundraising for the excavation, improved drainage and playing surface at the Miller diamonds.

6.215 South Central Regional Library Report – Councillor Ted Klassen reported that the Annual Book Sale will be held in Morden at the Morden Rec Centre on May 6th, 7th and 8th. All used books dropped off at the Altona library will go this sale. A question was raised as to whether there was an opportunity to host this event in Altona in the future. Councillor Klassen indicated the storage of books would be an issue, as would their transportation.

6.216 Altona & District Health Care Centre Inc.

Councillor Ted Klassen reported that the negotiations are continuing and appear to be moving in a positive direction.

Councillor Terry Wiebe raised the matter of a property being for sale immediately to the north of the clinic. Councillor Wiebe recommends that the Town consider the purchase of properties such as this one to ensure that lands are available for the future expansion of the clinic should that need occur in the future.

6.217 Morden & District Veterinarian Board – No report

6.218 Curling Club – No report

6.219 Altona in Bloom Committee

Councillor Ann Kroeker reported that the Committee will be holding their 'kick-off' week from May 29th to June 4th.

6.220 Playground Committee

Councillor Ann Kroeker reported that the Committee met last week and again this week to review the two proposals from Crozier and Playgrounds-R-Us. Councillor Kroeker indicates that a special meeting of the Community and Social Development Committee will be called in order to facilitate earlier approval of a supplier thus ensuring the Town is able to acquire the materials from the supplier in a timely fashion to complete the installation this fall. The target is to have the existing playground equipment remain until the September long-weekend after which time dismantling and readying the site for the installation of new equipment can commence. The target is to secure the equipment order by June 2010.

Councillor Earl Dick provided a brief overview of the playground fund-raising activities. He indicated that private donations approximated \$10,000, while 7 businesses have committed a total of \$30,000. Councillor Dick affirmed the overall goal is to raise at least \$70,000.

6.221 Gallery in the Park Operating Committee – Councillor Don Braun reported that:

- Russ Phillips and Steve Wiebe will once again bring in sculptures from Sioux Falls, they travel on Sunday, May 2 to acquire 6 pieces.
- Three sculptures will also be coming from a private individual.
- The Friends of the Gallery Opening will be Friday, May 14th while the gallery opens to the general public on Saturday, May 15th.

6.3 Works & Operations

6.311 Committee Minutes – April 6th, 2010

Councillor Terry Wiebe reviewed the most recent activities of this Committee. Some items were dealt with via resolutions as follow.

83-2010 – Terry Wiebe–Don Braun WHEREAS tenders have been called for the upgrade and reconstruction for Fourteenth Avenue North; AND WHEREAS we have received two tenders for the project as follows:

<u>Name of Contractor</u>	<u>Amount of Tender</u>
Maple Leaf Construction	\$816,750.00 + GST
Borland Construction	\$767,380.00 + GST

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we award the tender for the upgrade and reconstruction of Fourteenth Avenue North to Borland Construction for the total tendered amount of \$767,380.00 plus GST.

CARRIED.

84-2010 – Terry Wiebe–Ann Kroeker – WHEREAS Joe Hildebrandt, 3 McKinley Cove, has been given the deadline of May 1st, 2010 to have his detached accessory building conform to zoning regulations; AND WHEREAS due to circumstances out of his control, Mr. Hildebrandt is requesting an extension of this deadline to July 1st, 2010; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Altona hereby approve the extension to conform to July 1st, 2010.

CARRIED.

- 6.312 Lower Red River Valley Water Commission – No report.
- 6.313 Pembina Valley Recycling Network – No report.
- 6.314 Pembina Valley Water Coop – Councillor Don reported that he has 3 separate reports dealing with PVWC activities; he will leave copies in the civic offices for circulation. One report addresses a revised ruling by the PUB as to the handling of late payments.
- 7. General Correspondence:
 - 7.111 Canada Post – fact sheet “Commitment to Rural Service”
 - 7.112 Aggie Buhler PVDC – Invitation to Passport Adventure
 - 7.113 Glenn Ritchie – MB Conservation advising of his retirement after 39 years. CAO Russ Phillips will pen a reply of thanks on behalf of the Town of Altona for Glenn’s commitment and assistance to the community.
 - 7.114 Hon. Steve Ashton – presentation on future flood enhancements
- 8. Unfinished business – dealt with earlier in the agenda
- 9. New business – Deputy Mayor Earl Dick reminded those present of the Grand Opening of the DOMO Gas Bar – scheduled for Friday, April 30th at 10:30 AM.

85-2010 – Terry Wiebe–Don Braun THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting is now adjourned and the next regular meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

CARRIED.

Deputy-Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer