

## TOWN OF ALTONA

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Altona Council held on October 12, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

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

Media Table – Dean Penner - CFAM and Greg Vandermuellen - Echo.

1. Call to order – Chair  
Mayor Mel Klassen opened the meeting at the appointed time. He also requested an in-camera session at the end of the meeting.
2. Review of agenda & previous minutes:
  - 2.111 September 25, 2010 Council Minutes  
**188-2010 - Ted Klassen – Terry Wiebe - THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**  
THAT the minutes of the September 28, 2010 meeting of Council be adopted as posted and circulated.

**CARRIED.**

- 2.112 October 5, 2010 Board of Revision Minutes  
**189-2010 – Tim Fast – Ann Kroeker - THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**  
THAT the minutes of the October 5th, 2010 Board of Revision be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED.**

Mayor Mel Klassen informed those present of an announcement. Bunge will be doing a major expansion of their Altona plant. They are looking to more than double their output by the end of 2012.

3. Delegations – None.
4. Hearings – None.
5. Administrative Reports
  - 5.1 The CAO's report was referred to. In addition to the report some potential meeting dates were discussed as follows:  
Council Inaugural and Organizational Meeting – November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 @ 5:30 P.M.  
Council Orientation Session – November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 – 9:00 A.M. All day.  
Council Meetings for November – November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.

Works & Operations Committee Meeting for November & December – November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Strategic Planning Session – Week of December 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> – More details to follow.

The above dates were discussed and there was consensus to approve them.

6. Committee Reports:

6.1 Finance & Administration

6.111 Committee Report – No report.

6.112 Altona Community Development Corporation – No report.

6.113 Chamber of Commerce – No report.

6.114 Sunbelt Development Group – In-camera requested.

6.115 Pembina Valley Development Corporation Report

Councillor Ted Klassen reported on last weeks' meeting.

- Pembina Valley Venture Challenge – It was reported that the Board would like to hold this challenge on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Heartland Inn in Winkler. This challenge is similar to the TV show 'Dragons Den'. The participants will be 'judged' starting at 6:00 PM. There are already a number of participants.
- Pembina Valley Challenge/Amazing Race – PVDC has received lots of correspondence about this. Had another good turnout this year.
- Regional Connections – they have established a line of credit for this organization.

6.116 PVDC Tourism Committee

Councillor Tim Fast informed those present that the Committee met this morning at Nora's Diner in Gretna.

- Update on Destination Development
- Tourism Awards – early in the new year
- Pembina Valley Challenge/Amazing Race – There were 130 challenges. Overwhelming success. Comments will be circulated.
- Information on attending the Fargo Womens' Showcase.

6.117 Triple R Community Futures

Councillor Wiebe reported that the Board is concerned about community representation after the election. The Board would like to see appointments made as soon as possible after the election.

6.118 RPGA Planning District – No report.

6.2 Community & Social Development

6.211 Committee Report – No report.

6.212 CARE – No report.

6.213 Manitoba Sunflower Festival – No report.

6.214 Council Youth Representative Report

Keely Loewen reported:

- Student Council is selling 'student discount cards'
- Student clothing is being sold
- Student Council is pursuing the possibility of replacing some gym equipment
- A 'hot drink' machine is being pursued.

6.215 South Central Regional Library Report – No report.

6.216 Altona & District Health Care Centre Inc. – No report.

6.217 Morden & District Veterinarian Board

Councillor Earl Dick reported on the October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Board meeting.

- The new pound has been busy.
- There are presently seven veterinarians in Winkler.

6.218 Curling Club

The Club will be having a meeting tonight.

6.219 Altona in Bloom Committee

Fall bulbs were planted last week.

6.220 Playground Committee

- Sod was put down last week.
- Fundraising update was given.

6.221 Gallery in the Park Operating Committee

- Work is being done to pursue art work for next season. Contact has been once again made with the Sioux Falls organization.

6.3 Works & Operations

6.311 Committee Minutes – October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010 meeting

Councillor Earl Dick reviewed the Committee Minutes with Council.

6.312 Lower Red River Valley Water Commission – No report.

6.313 Pembina Valley Recycling Network – No report.

- 6.314 Pembina Valley Water Coop – No report.
7. General Correspondence:  
7.111 Minister of Labour & Immigration – Information  
7.112 Altona Farmers Market – Information  
7.113 Public Works & Government Services Canada – PILT Program - Information
8. Unfinished business – None.
9. New business – None.
10. In Camera  
**190-2010 – Don Braun – Earl Dick – THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**  
Council resolves itself into a Committee of the Whole to discuss certain legal matters.

**CARRIED.**

**191-2010 – Ann Kroeker – Ted Klassen - THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**  
THAT Council return to open meeting.

**CARRIED.**

**192-2010 – Earl Dick – Don Braun - THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting is now adjourned and the next regular meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, October 26, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Secretary Treasurer