

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Banff in the Province of Alberta
Town Hall Council Chamber
Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 2:00 pm

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Karen Sorensen	Mayor
Leslie Taylor	Councillor
Stavros Karlos	Councillor
Chip Olver	Councillor and Deputy Mayor
Paul Baxter	Councillor and Acting Mayor
Brian Standish	Councillor
Grant Canning	Councillor

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Robert Earl	Town Manager
Mary Brewster	Manager of Community Services
Adrian Field	Manager of Engineering
Silvio Adamo	Fire Chief
Kerry MacInnis	Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the regular meeting of council to order at 2:00p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1. Meeting Agenda for April 10, 2012

COU12-75 Moved by Councillor Standish to approve the agenda of the April 10, 2012 regular meeting of council with the following revision:

- Move agenda item 7.0 Inquiries to 6.0
- Move agenda item 6.0 Committee Reports to 7.0

CARRIED

2.2. 2012 Council Priorities and Workplan

Accepted as information.

3.0 DELEGATIONS

3.1. Sanitary Siphon Replacement & Pedestrian Bridge – Mr. Dick Smith

Mr. Dick Smith spoke to a written submission that has been added to these meeting minutes.

4.0 ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES

4.1. Minutes of the March 26, 2012 Regular Meeting of Council

COU12-76 Moved by Councillor Standish to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2012 regular meeting of council as presented.

CARRIED

5.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. Bow River Sanitary Siphon Replacement & Pedestrian Bridge

Written report received as information.

6.0 INQUIRIES

Questions from the gallery regarding agenda item 5.1 were heard and answered by council and administration.

Q: How often do you find boulders in bedrock?

A: Proposed digging will be at the sand and gravel level, 9.5 meters. Bedrock would only be an issue if digging were to occur at the 15-30 meter level.

Q: Did council know a waterline was now included in this project?

A: Yes

Q: Consultants had recommended an “open cut” option. Why are we not going with this option?

A: This option was not accepted by council due to the environmental impact and the consequences of failure are too high. The visual impact is not acceptable as we are a National Park community.

Q: It has been told to the community that having this new bridge will be a plus as emergency vehicles will be able to cross this new bridge. However, in speaking with several emergency personnel, many state that they will never use this bridge, so how can this be a positive?

A: If an emergency situation were to arise where the current bridge is blocked, the pedestrian bridge could be an option for ambulances and command vehicles with trailers. We have no concerns accessing the south side of the existing bridge. In the past, we haven't had any issues with accessing the south side of the bridge with our emergency vehicles, to the best of our recollection.

Q: The “open-cut” method was used on the Athabasca River in Jasper. Why was this “open-cut” method not an issue for Jasper?

A: Yes, Jasper did use the “open-cut” method. They decided on this method as the location wasn't in a highly visible area. Jasper decided to take the risk. This method is not appropriate for our community as the environmental impact is too high.

Q: Where is the “open-cut” photo on Mr. Field's report from?

A: The photo in question is of an example of directional drilling not the “open-cut” method.

7.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1. Bow Valley Regional Housing February – March 2012 Bulletin

Accepted as information.

8.0 STAFF REPORTS/BYLAWS

8.1. Sponsorship Policy C120

COU12-77 Moved by Councillor Taylor to approve the Sponsorship Policy C120 as presented.

COU12-78 Moved by Councillor Olver to amend the Sponsorship Policy C120 to include in the Principles that within the first ten opportunities for sponsorship or the first 24 months of this policy being passed, administration will bring all sponsorship requests to council for approval.

CARRIED

COU12-79 Moved by Councillor Karlos to amend the Sponsorship Policy C120 to remove Public Washroom Buildings from Appendix 3 and add Public Washroom Buildings to Appendix 2.

CARRIED
Standish Opposed

COU12-80 Moved by Councillor Taylor to approve the Sponsorship Policy C120 as amended.

CARRIED

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. There was no new correspondence.

10.0 NEW BUSINESS

10.1. There was no new business.

11.0 INQUIRIES

11.1 There were no inquiries.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

COU12-81 Moved by Councillor Canning to adjourn at 3:19p.m.

CARRIED

Karen Sorensen
Mayor

Kerry MacInnis
Administrative Assistant