

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Town of Killam, held in the Council Chambers of the Town Office, Killam, Alberta, on Wednesday, January 30, 2008 commencing at 7:00p.m.

PRESENT	Bud James	Mayor
	Darcy Eskra	Councillor
	Leslie Fee	Councillor
	Allen Freadrich	Councillor
	Diane Gordon	Councillor
	Rick Krys	Councillor
	Wendy Ramberg	Chief Administrative Officer
	Darlene Gotobed	Recording Secretary

ABSENT David Moroz was absent with regret.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor James called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

AGENDA MOVED by Clr. Eskra to accept the agenda with the following additions:

Public Works:

Review Snow Removal Complaints

CARRIED

DELEGATION

DIETER LANGER Mr. Langer will be attending the February 6, 2008 Council Meeting commencing at 6:30pm

MINUTES

**REGULAR MTG
JAN 17, 2008** MOVED by Clr. Gordon to accept the regular meeting minutes for January 17, 2008 with the following amendments:

Page 2 – 07.01.17.08 replace 50th Street with 50th Avenue

Page 5 – Correct the spelling of *KREDIC*

Page 5 – Clr. Freadrich’s report was presented by Mayor James

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

**GROWING
RURAL
TOURISM** Members of Council will be unable to attend the “Challenge and Change” Conference commencing March 31 to April 2, 2008.

**BYLAW 778
CLARIFICATION
- UNRESOLVED** Deferred to February 6, 2008 Council Meeting. Constable Reinke was unable to acquire the appropriate information prior to the commencement of the January 30th meeting.

CAO to report on updated findings.

**APPRAISAL
UPDATE FOR
LANDS WEST OF
NE INDUSTRIAL
SUBDIVISION** As referred to in the minutes of the January 17th 2008 council meeting, the Setters’ have contracted with Altario Appraisers from Camrose, for appraisal of the lands located at Block Portion B Plan RN97. Council has delayed hiring an additional appraiser until an outcome from this has resulted.

CAO Ramberg will contact the Setters’ to follow up on the progress.

**SUBDIVISION &
DEVELOPMENT
WORKSHOP**

A copy of the letter is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

Members of the Board will be contacted by phone to see if they are able to attend the February 7, 2008 Workshop in Vermilion.

**PROJECT
PORCHLIGHT**

A copy of the information is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

CAO Ramberg will ensure this organization is informed of local groups and organizations that would be of assistance to this cause.

**WEST CENTRAL
PLANNING
AGENCY
RESPONSE
13.01.30.08**

A copy of the letter is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

MOVED by Clr. Kryss to book a date and time with Andrew Haden, West Central Planning Agency, and begin initial proceedings toward a new Municipal Development Plan as well as re-writing the Land Use Bylaw. **CARRIED**

**FLAGSTAFF
FAMILY &
COMMUNITY
SERVICES
INCREASE**

A copy of the letter is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

Council acknowledges the changes in requisition amounts from the December 13, 2007 distributed letter.

**EMERGENCY
TRAINING
GRANT
DEADLINE**

A copy of the letter is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

Council recognizes the extension for application date deadline from February 8, 2008 to February 22, 2008, and although have utilized this opportunity in the past, will not be applying this year for funds.

NEW BUSINESS

**RFD - KILLAM
AUTOBODY
LAND
PURCHASE
REQUEST
14.01.30.08**

A copy of the RFD is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

MOVED by Clr. Freadrich to follow the recommendation and retain ownership of the land adjacent to Killam Autobody, for potential future development purposes.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence items as listed below were accepted by Council for information:

1. **FIP, Mayors & Admin Meeting, Tuesday March 4, 2008:** The meeting will be held at Alliance. Laura Towers would like to know the number of persons attending by February 25, 2008.
2. **Prairie Ghost Contracting:** Letter requesting clarification regarding recent decisions for contractors used on public works projects for the Town of Killam.

15.01.30.08

MOVED by Clr. Freadrich to have Mayor James and CAO Ramberg draft a letter of response to Prairie Ghost Contracting, meeting Councils' approval prior to being forwarded. **CARRIED.**

- 3. **Battle River School Division #31:** Board of Trustees January 10, 2008 meeting Highlights.
- 4. **Community Futures:** holding February 28, 2008 special meeting due to required name change.
- 5. **The Emergency Public Warning System of Alberta:** planning on holding a March training session for the nominated users of each local municipality. Each municipality is required to participate in the 3 hour session. Please notify by January 31, 2008 how many current and new users will be attending

CAO Ramberg to verify with members to determine number of persons attending.

- 6. **Alberta Municipal Services Corporation (AMSC):** requires input regarding Critical Illness Option for the group benefits plan. Response required by January 31, 2008.

16.01.30.08

MOVED by Clr. Fee that, provided there is no additional expense to the Town, employees can have the benefit applied to their plans should they so choose to do so.

CARRIED

- 7. **STARS and Sedgewick Lions Club Harvest Dance Thank you letter:** includes receipt for \$100 donation that was received.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTION ITEM LIST

A copy of the action item list is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

CAO REPORT

A copy of the CAO Report is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

A copy of the Public Works RFD Report is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

Clr. Freadrich voiced concerns he had been receiving regarding the recent snow removal operations over the last few days. There have also been numerous complaints called into the Town Office and other Council members. Most had issue with the way in which snow was piled along sidewalks and driveways. Mention was also made to ensure that construction areas, especially near roadways, be clearly and properly flagged, as well as ensuring the project is completed in a timely manner.

The best means of controlling the cattail population within Heritage Park should also be looked into, so appropriate preparations can be made for the upcoming growing season.

CAO Ramberg will bring these concerns to the Public Works department.

**RECREATION
REPORT**

A copy of the Recreation Report is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

Clr. Krys will review with the Recreation Department concerns voiced about the computers not functioning at the Bowling Lanes, as well as the overall care and upkeep of this area.

Currently, financials of the Rec. Board are being done separately from the Town, however the same system is being used. Question of duplication of work was raised and discussed. Council felt that it was possible for the Rec. Board to maintain its own entity. Allowing the financials to be done by the Town would decrease time spent on Rec. Board financials.

17.01.30.08

MOVED by Clr. Krys to combine the Recreation Board Bank accounts with the Town account, as all entries have been and will continue to be posted to the appropriate general ledger accounts. Financial Budget Allocation reports available upon request.

CARRIED

**IN-CAMERA
STAFF ISSUES**

MOVED by Clr. Krys to go In-Camera to discuss staff issues at 8:05p.m.

CARRIED

8:05pm

RECONVENE

MOVED by Clr. Eskra to reconvene at 8:25pm.

CARRIED

8:25pm

18.01.30.08

MOVED by Clr. Krys that the Town of Killam write off \$540.77 outstanding on the [REDACTED] account due for the six month period that Extended Health was being charged to the Town.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer