

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Town of Killam, held in the Council Chambers of the Town Office, Killam, Alberta, on Thursday, July 19, 2007 commencing at 7:00 p.m.

<b>PRESENT</b>	Bud James	Mayor
	Don Gay	Councillor
	Reg Grant	Councillor
	Joe Spiller	Councillor
	Rick Kryz	Councillor
	Wendy Ramberg	Chief Administrative Officer
	Kimberly Borgel	Recording Secretary

Councillor Eskra was absent from the meeting.

Councillor Grant had to leave the meeting at 7:00 p.m. prior to opening of the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor James called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

**AGENDA** MOVED by Clr. Gay to accept the agenda and addendum with the following addition:

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*7. Town of Killam Float*

CARRIED

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MTG** MOVED by Clr. Kryz to accept the regular meeting minutes of June 21, 2007.

**JUNE 21, 2007**

CARRIED

**PUBLIC** MOVED by Clr. Gay to accept the Public Hearing minutes of July 5, 2007.

**HEARING**

**JULY 5, 2007**

CARRIED

**SPECIAL MTG** MOVED by Clr Kryz to accept the special meeting minutes of July 9, 2007.

**JULY 9, 2007**

CARRIED

**BUSINESS FROM MINUTES**

**BYLAW 772 – BYLAW 772 – AMENDMENT TO LAND-USE BYLAW**

**AMENDMENT TO  
LAND-USE  
BYLAW**

A bylaw of the Town of Killam in the Province of Alberta for the purpose of amending the Town of Killam Land Use Bylaw No. 736.

To Amend Schedule “A” Land Use Map, to change the land use designation of Lot 13, Block 3, Plan RN97, as shown on the map attached, is reclassified from Commercial (C1) to Residential (R1).

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING**

**BYLAW 772**  
171.07.19.07

MOVED by Clr. Krys that Bylaw #772, receives second reading.

CARRIED

**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**  
**BYLAW 772**  
172.07.19.07

MOVED by Clr. Spiller that Bylaw 772 receive a third and final reading.

CARRIED

**BRAED**  
**TRAINING**  
**SURVEY**

A copy of the training survey is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes. Council requested that administration send a letter to BRAED stating that the survey will be reviewed after the new council is in place after the 2007 Election.

**NEW PHASE**  
**GAUME**  
**SUBDIVISION**

Clifton Associates provided Council with some costing for the reconstruction of 49<sup>th</sup> Street (\$625,000), the lift station (\$240,000) and the reconstruction of 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue (\$620,000).

Council asked that administration begin looking into some grant funding for these projects and review the projects again once the new council is in place after the 2007 Election.

173.07.19.07

MOVED by Clr. Spiller that this item is deferred until after the 2007 Election.

CARRIED

The “Lewis Lands” have recently changed hands and the new owner is Glenn Grant. Council has requested that administration contact Glenn Grant and ask him to meet with council regarding development in the area.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMUNITY**  
**IMPROVEMENT**  
**& CONSOLID.**  
**(CIC) PROGRAM**  
174.07.19.07

A copy of the Request for Decision and a copy of the CIC Program are attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

MOVED by Clr. Krys to make the tax concessions in the CIC Program consistent with the tax concessions for commercial property. These concessions are as follows:

First year building is completed..... 0 municipal taxes due on both building and land.

Second year building is completed ... 50% of assessed municipal taxes due on both building and land.

Third year building is completed ..... 66% of assessed municipal taxes due on both building and land.

CARRIED

**WATER**  
**SOFTENER FOR**  
**POOL AREA**  
175.07.19.07

A copy of the Request for Decision is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

MOVED by Clr. Gay that the Town of Killam purchases a water softener system for the pool change rooms and area provided we qualify for the grant.

CARRIED

**SEVILLE POWER  
LINE FUNDING  
REQUEST**  
176.07.19.07

A copy of the Request for Decision is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

MOVED by Clr. Krys that Town of Killam administration facilitate a three phase transformer and the Seville's will pick up the \$450 costs for the transformer. CARRIED

**DELEGATION**

Cyril Lindseth, Fire Chief entered the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

**CYRIL  
LINDSETH,  
FIRE CHIEF**

Cyril Lindseth, Town of Killam Fire Chief gave an update on the Killam Fire Department.

- Meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of the month
- There are 20 volunteer members, but they are hard to retain
- Since December they have responded to: 2 vehicle fires, 1 grass, 1 furnace, 1 gas well and 4 false alarms
- Collaborating with Sedgewick and Hardisty for Fire Within fundraiser selling calendars (\$12 profit per calendar sold)
- Controlled burn at Bob George's
- New first aid training needed for majority of the fire fighters
- Possibly need to develop a hiring campaign with a qualification process
- Camrose County and Flagstaff County are working together to provide courses
- Truck from Viking should be ready by month end

Cyril Lindseth, Fire Chief exited the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

**RE-ZONING  
REQUEST**

A copy of the request from George and Theresa Spiller for the re-zoning of Plan XCVII, Block RT-C is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

This item of business is deferred until the next Council meeting.

**FRUIT TRUCK  
AT AGRIPLEX**  
177.07.19.07

A copy of the Request for Decision is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

MOVED by Clr. Krys to allow Clarke Produce to park in the Agirplex Parking Lot once a week while he sells fruit for the remainder of the summer at a cost of \$200 plus the business license. CARRIED

**DRAINAGE  
ISSUES AT 46<sup>TH</sup>  
STREET**

Clifton Associates provided the Town of Killam with two options to remedy the drainage issues at 46<sup>th</sup> Street. A copy of the options is attached hereto and form a part of these minutes. This item of business is deferred until the new council is in place after the 2007 Election.

Council also discussed the drainage issues at 57A Street. Clifton Associates would like to drill holes into the road and see what they find. Council requested that administration get a cost for this work and bring to the next council meeting.

**TOWN OF  
KILLAM FLOAT**

Clr Gay took the float to the Town of Hardisty Rodeo Parade. The boards on the side need to be cleaned and an Alberta flag should be added to the float.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

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

1. **Alberta Municipal Affairs & Housing: MSI Regional Consultation Sessions**– An invitation to attend a series of regional consultation sessions for the Municipal Sustainability Initiative. Invited to send two representatives to the consultation session of our choice. The sessions are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 26 – Red Deer; July 30 – Vermilion; August 3 – Westlock and August 16 – Edmonton. Notification will be sent as to the venue, the agenda and discussion paper. RSVP required three business days before the session.

178.07.19.07

MOVED by Clr. Krys that Mayor James and CAO Ramberg attend the session on August 16, 2007 in Edmonton. CARRIED

2. **Marion Leithead: Letter regarding condition of Highway 13** – Asking communities to unite to try to get Alberta Infrastructure to do something about Highway 13. It is currently not part of the “Building Alberta” 2007-2010 Capital Plan. An overlay is planned to address immediate concerns with rutting and roughness.

Council requested that administration send a letter to Mrs. Leithead stating that we have been sending letters and that the Mayor attended the meeting with MLA Griffiths which was held in Rosalind.

3. **Municipal Planning Services (Alberta) Ltd.: Proposed Subdivision SW 30-44-13 W4 (in Flagstaff County)** – Asking if there are any concerns with the proposed subdivision at the above-mentioned site. It is currently uncultivated land and the proposed use is an acreage. The land is four miles north and 4 miles west of town.

179.07.19.07

MOVED by Clr. Krys to send a letter stating that the Town of Killam has no objections to the proposed subdivision. CARRIED

4. **West Central Planning Agency – Subdivision Application for NE Industrial Park**– A copy of the letter sent to Alberta Transportation regarding our subdivision application.
5. **Centre for Applied Business Research in Energy & The Environment**– Is presenting a 2007 Epcor Distinguished Lecture on October 18, 2007 at the Westin Hotel in Edmonton. SAVE THE DATE!

6. **The City of Calgary – Western Cities Conference 2007** – The City of Calgary is hosting this year’s conference Monday, September 24 through Thursday, September 27. There will be two program streams: “Engaging Talent” and “Learning as a Business Strategy”. [www.westerncitiesconference.ca](http://www.westerncitiesconference.ca)
7. **The Premier’s Council on the Status of Person’s with Disabilities 2005/2006 Annual Report** – Report is available from administration upon request.
8. **McLennan Chrysler – Thank You** – A letter thanking the town for purchasing the 2007 Dodge 1500. If there was anything with the deal that we feel was not handled to our satisfaction, please call.
9. **Alberta Energy & Utilities Board – 2006 Year in Review** – Report is available from administration upon request.
10. **Alberta Infrastructure & Transportation – Proposed Subdivision** – Transportation will allow the revised option of the creation of two Industrial lots. Depending on the type and nature of the developments that occur on these two lots, a Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) may have to be coordinated by the Town of Killam at the existing access to the proposed subdivision when the development is referred to Alberta Infrastructure & Transportation for a permit.
11. **Kathy McLennan – Three Way Stop on South End of Main Street** – She feels that it will congest the end of the block which will cause a lot of trouble for those backing out in front of Post Office and Drug Store. There have not been any troubles in that past with school children crossing the street. They are taught to cross safely. This is one of the busiest intersections in town. Please reconsider this matter.
12. **Doug Griffiths, MLA – Questions on Highway 13** – An email with an excerpt from the Hansard which is the verbatim account of the debates of the Legislative Assembly and its committees. The excerpt states that MLA Griffiths asked the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation when Highway 13 will be fixed to the standards of a major Provincial artery. The department is aware of the problems and is in the process of purchasing the right-of-way to do the eventual widening and reconstruction of the road. It is not in the current year’s plans. The rut filling and overlay is planned for this season and this will not have an effect on the timing of getting the major project done.
13. **International Conference on Crime Reduction Exploring Leading Practices**– Invitation to attend the conference in Banff from October 9-11, 2007.
14. **Countytown Cottages Update**– An off-site built home is now on-site in Forestburg and it is expected to be open for viewing by appointment within the next few weeks. The same model (Simple Living Series 1514 sq. ft. Model B) is being built for Killam and will be available for delivery in 4 months time. The total purchase price will be \$244,000+GST. They are also planning to build a 1,800 sq. ft. 2 storey custom home within the next few months as a show home in Killam only. The anticipated selling price for this home will be \$299,000. Numerous calls have been received from parties interested in purchasing lots but none have expressed a willingness to allow them to even quote on building their home.

15. **Strome & District Historical Society**– Requesting a donation of \$50.00 to help keep the doors open in the Sodbusters Archives Museum in Strome for another year.

180.07.19.07

MOVED by Clr. Spiller to send a donation of \$50 to the Sodbusters Archives Museum in Strome. CARRIED

Council also requested that administration send some Town of Killam brochures for distribution at the museum.

16. **Shirley Swanson – 3-Way Stop/No U-Turns on Main Street:** A letter stating she has no objections to the 3-way stop however she fails to see the reasoning behind u-turns no longer being allowed. She believes people will proceed to the right and through the bus loading area or turn left and makes a u-turn on the RCMP parking lot. She is hoping council will reconsider.
17. **Virginia Ley – 3-Way Stop/No U-Turns on Main Street:** A letter stating she has no objections to the 3-way stop however she that no longer allowing u-turns is overkill. There has never been an accident there. It will be an inconvenience having to drive 3 blocks to go north on Main Street. She realizes that walking across the street is not a hardship for most, but some are unable to walk that distance. She would also like to bring to attention that the Town of Killam did not acknowledge the many contributions that seniors have made to this community during Senior’s Week in June.

MOVED by Clr. Gay to advertise in the Community Press that the no u-turns and three way stop sign was approved upon recommendation from the RCMP. CARRIED

Council also pointed out that there are no truck route signs placed on Highway 13.

18. **AUMA Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI):** Highlights of the provincial consultations on MSI, a summary of the Draft Report and also available is the AUMA Engagement Process for discussions regarding provincial MSI Funding, and the most recent version of the AUMA’s MSI Report. Copies of all of this are available upon request from Council.
19. **Mildred & Elmer Jacobs – 3 Way Stop/No U-turns on Main Street:** A letter stating they have no concerns with the 3-way stop but they do with no longer allowing drivers to make a u-turn at this location. This change is a major inconvenience for the community. They believe a u-turn here does not affect many students whose parents park on the south east side of the street as most use the north crosswalk in front of the RCMP station. There has never been an accident and as far as close calls, they happen all over town every day. They also are inquiring about the “Bridge-to-Nowhere”. This was a waste of tax payers’ dollars. It is dangerous as kids cross it. It is just a matter of time before a child goes into the water or crashes into the drainage culvert. There are weeds all over the bridge. They would like to know what the plans are for the bridge and when they will be implemented.

20. **Margaret Manning – 3 Way Stop/No U-turns on Main Street:** A letter stating she can see making a 3-way stop but does not understand the no u-turn rule. This has little to do with school children as most walk east on the south sidewalk. She has never heard of an accident at the location. She was also in asking what the town had done to honor the seniors for Senior’s Week. She was told it was not up to the town. She states that it seems we pay a lot of taxes for no recognition.
21. **AUMA – Small Airports Strategy:** A letter regarding a Resolution from the AUMA Board of Directors. This resolution states that the “AUMA Board forward the Alberta Small Airports Strategy Discussion Paper and AUMA’s comments to AUMA members which have airports and request members verify information contained in the Discussion Paper and forward any comments to AUMA and the Government of Alberta.” The initiative is scheduled for action by the Ministry in the fall and early attention is appreciated. The Strategy is available to Council from Administration at Council’s request.

**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.

CAO Ramberg has been dealing with Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation with regard to the Airport Paving Project grant. If the project costs end up being more than estimated, Town of Killam should let AB Infrastructure and Transportation know at the time. Grant stacking is not allowed however Kim Edinga with Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation will check into it further.

There were no tenders received for sidewalks. Administration will re-tender in November 2007 for the following spring.

The Assessment Review Board members were discussed as there is no quorum for the ARB meeting.

181.07.19.07

MOVED by Clr. Krys that Clr. Gay be appointed as a member of the Assessment Review Board. CARRIED

**ACAO REPORT**

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

Clr. Krys and ACAO Borgel will present a Recycling Proposal to council at the next council meeting.

**PW REPORT**

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

**IN CAMERA  
STAFFING  
CONCERN**  
8:40 p.m.

MOVED by Clr. Gay to go In-Camera to discuss a staffing concern at 8:40 p.m.

CARRIED

**RECONVENE**  
8:45 p.m.

MOVED by Clr. Krys to reconvene at 8:45 p.m.

CARRIED

**RECREATION  
REPORT**

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

**CAMROSE  
POLICE  
SERVICE 9-1-1  
CALL ANSWER  
REPORT**

A copy of the Camrose Police Service 9-1-1 Call Answer Report is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

**KILLAM FIRE  
DEPARTMENT  
REPORT**

A copy of the Killam Fire Department Report is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Clr. Krys to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

CARRIED

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**Mayor**

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**Chief Administrative Officer**