

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of the Town of Killam, held in the Council Chambers of the Town Office, Killam, Alberta, on Thursday, February 15, 2007 commencing at 8:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Bud James	Mayor
Don Gay	Councillor
Reg Grant	Councillor
Rick Krys	Councillor
Joe Spiller	Councillor
Wendy Ramberg	Chief Administrative Officer
Kimberly Borgel	Recording Secretary

Councilor Eskra was absent from the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor James called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m.

**BYLAW #767
UTILITY
ACCOUNTS
REMAIN IN
OWNER NAME**

Bylaw No. 767, a bylaw of the Town of Killam, in the Province of Alberta to authorize Municipal Council to operate and levy general rates for the supply of public utilities and services provided by the Municipality. This bylaw would allow for utility accounts to remain in the name of the property owner.

Dean Kelndorfer, Norman Wegenast and Lyn Rosaasen entered the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

First Reading of Bylaw #767 given at the Town of Killam Regular Council on January 24, 2007.

No written submissions were received in response to the Notice of Public Hearing that was advertised in the February 6 and 13, 2007 editions of the Community Press.

Mayor James opened the floor for verbal discussion against the bylaw.

Norman Wegenast spoke on his feeling of the proposed bylaw:

- He questioned why council is proposing this bylaw.

Clr. Grant responded:

- Town of Killam wrote-off \$5,000 worth of utilities in 2006 alone
- Transients come into town, rent a place and leave without paying their utilities
- Currently, a \$300 deposit is charged

Dean Kelndorfer spoke on his feeling of the proposed bylaw:

- Owners would have to worry about collecting utilities – which should be town responsibility
- Why would landowners want to take the risk of getting stuck with utility bill by renting?
- Possibly other alternatives – larger deposit, credit checks, increase in everyone’s utilities to cover costs of the write-offs

Lyn Rosaasen stated that he was there to listen to what council had to say and get the reasoning behind the proposed bylaws.

Mayor James thanked the residents for their comments.

Mayor James closed the Public Hearing at 8:17 p.m.

Dean Kelndorfer, Norman Wegenast and Lyn Rosaasen exited the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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**2nd READING
BYLAW 767
026.02.15.07**

MOVED by Clr. Grant that Bylaw 767 be read a second time.

CARRIED

**3rd READING
BYLAW 767
027.02.15.07**

MOVED by Clr. Kryss that Bylaw 767 be read a third and final reading.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Clr. Grant to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer