

TOWN OF LUMSDEN / R.M. OF LUMSDEN No. 189
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 16th, 2012
JOINT ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The members of the Joint Administration Committee met in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office, on the evening of Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. with Bryan Matheson acting as Chairman.

Present:	RM Councillor:	Tom Harrison
	RM Councillor	Al Szeles (for Reeve Hipkin)
	Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
	Town Councillor:	Rhonda Phillips
	Town Councillor:	Dan Kirby
	Chief Administrative Officer:	Byron M. Tumbach
Absent:	Reeve	Jim Hipkin
	RM Councillor	Kent Farago

Minutes:

Phillips/Szeles: "That the minutes of the August 28, 2012 Joint Administration Committee meeting be approved as circulated."
CARRIED

Reports:

Lumsden & District Volunteer Fire Department Appreciation

Mayor Matheson provided a verbal report on the Appreciation night for the Lumsden Volunteer Fire Fighters. Approximately 150 people were in attendance. The auction raised well over \$1,400 for the Fire Fighters equipment donation. A financial report on the event will be tabled in at the November Joint Administrative meeting.

Chief Administrative Officer Report:

CAO, Byron Tumbach, provided a short verbal report on the election activities for both municipalities.

NEW BUSINESS:

Partnering on Sewage Treatment

Councillor Phillips provided proposal to the group on having the RM of Lumsden becoming a regional stakeholder in a Sewage Treatment Project. (refer to attached)

Kirby/Szeles: "That we recommend the RM of Lumsden agree to work with the Town of Lumsden in a regional waste water solution."
CARRIED

Lumsden Library Relocation

The Mayor brought forward a request for the RM to assist the town in the capital costs of securing the Lumsden Legion building. In preliminary discussion with South East Regional Library they are receptive to moving the library into the Legion. The Town is in the process of negotiating the purchase of the Lumsden Legion and soon should have an agreement in place. In addition the Town was successful in having a federal capital grant approved to replace the roof and make modifications to the building.

At the next meeting the town will provide an update of the cost of purchase.

Lumsden and District First Responders

The Coordinator of the Lumsden & District First Responders put forward a request for a sharing of a purchase of a cabinet to store their supplies at the fire hall. They are requesting \$2,000 to purchase another cabinet. Mayor Matheson indicated that he would address this to the Lion's for possible assistance.


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Chief Administrative Officer – Evaluation

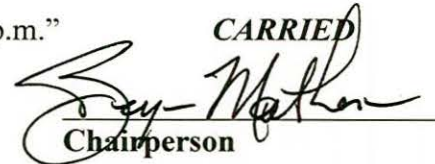
Kirby/Szeles: “That the meeting move into in camera and the Chief Administrative Officer left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.” **CARRIED**

The meeting came out of “in-camera” at 9:15 p.m. with Chief Administrative Officer in attendance.

Adjournment:

Phillips: “That this meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.”

CARRIED


Chairperson


Chief Administrative Officer

Sewage Treatment RM Partnering with Lumsden

In the concept design we considered residences in the Rural Municipality of Lumsden that were in close proximity to Lumsden. Administration provided the following numbers.

January 2011: Possible new Residences in Future Development	
Town of Lumsden	
Crofts	60
Haryette	15
Schandre	50
Williams	20
Reimer	8
5th Ave	10
Hildebrandt/Simcoe	40
Total Town	203
R.M. Of Lumsden	
Minerva	20
Farr	22
Latrace	70
Borgman	40
Crooks	15
Skaff	300
Commercial	6
Total R. M.	473

The Ministry of Government Relations and the Ministry of Environment require that we seek out regional partners in the sewage treatment upgrade that we are required to build. One option for regional partnership is with the Rural Municipality.

Jim Walters explained that in the new RM Official Community Plan, new development needs to have access to sewage treatment.

The 25 year Water Security Strategy for the Province of Saskatchewan, released in October 2012 states that by 2014 the Water Security Agency will, "Develop coordinated policies to reduce risk of water contamination that may result from residential wastewater management in high density rural developments and cottage subdivisions." (page 19)

Kyle Toffan explained that in order for an application for funding assistance to be considered regional, more than one municipality must be contributing. A resolution from RM Council would need to be included in the documentation when applying for infrastructure grants.

Sewage Treatment	Costs
Design	700,000.00
Plant	12,400,000.00
Pipelines (km)	700,000.00
Pumps	300,000.00
TOTAL	14,100,000.00
ONE THIRD	4,653,000.00


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The following table shows an estimate of costs for three of the proposed developments to tie in to a wastewater treatment facility in Lumsden, if an agreement is reached between the RM and the Town before an application for funding assistance is completed.

Town	Residences	Proportion	%	Cost	Shared
Lumsden	626	0.66	65.76	\$9,271,638.66	\$3,059,640.76
Minerva	20	0.02	2.10	\$296,218.49	\$97,752.10
Skaff	300	0.32	31.51	\$4,443,277.31	\$1,466,281.51
Commercial	6	0.01	0.63	\$88,865.55	\$29,325.63
TOTAL	952	1.00	100.00	\$14,100,000.00	\$4,653,000.00

A regional sewage treatment facility would be run by a utility board which would recover costs for operating and building infrastructure. The details of the board would be worked out as an agreement is being struck.

A similar regional sewage utility exists with Dundurn, area acreages and the resort villages on Blackstrap Lake. The RM of Edenwold is working with White City in a regional partnership. Strasbourg and the RM of McKillop are investigating the feasibility of forming a regional partnership for sewage treatment.

Discussion Items

1. Which developments in the RM are reasonable to consider?
2. Is there a need, from the Rural Municipality of Lumsden, to have access to septic truck unloading?
3. Is the RM interested in a representing their developers and rural acreages?

Motion

That the RM Council be asked to consider a resolution which would confirm that they would contribute to the cost of a regional sewage treatment facility. The amount would be dependent on the development hooking up and additional infrastructure needed. This cost would be collected from the developer and passed on to the utility board.


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