

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ACADIA NO. 34.**  
**REGULAR MEETING, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2019.**

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The Regular Meeting of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 was held in the Municipal Office in Acadia Valley on Tuesday, February 12, 2019. The Reeve called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Councillors Peers, Skappak, Hoyt, Reeve Rafa, CAO Wallsmith and Assistant Dillabough (recording secretary) were present at the meeting. The Reeve then asked council to review the agenda for the February 12, 2019 meeting.

**011/2019 COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK:**

That the Agenda for February 12, 2019 be accepted by Council as presented.

**CARRIED**

**012/2018 COUNCILLOR PEERS:**

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2019 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**PAST MEETING MINUTES:**

-None

**VISITORS:**

-James met with council at 9:35 to go over his monthly activity report. Things have been going well, James has been working on the annual water report and will be starting on a rough draft of the road program. With other projects going on in the area this spring he is thinking we could get tenders sent out earlier with maybe just miles but not specifics as will not know the exact need of gravel till closer to spring. John Armstrong has also sent information on the washrooms Special Areas has in their parks and it looks like we could build them in house for approx. \$4000-5000. Saying this they are almost exactly what we have already at the dam so we will need to decide if we should build 2 new ones for the main area and move the existing ones. After much investigation the HK leak has been found, Garth had Brooks Asphalt come down again and the leak is on their side entering the reservoir.

Rachel Booker met with Council 11:00 a.m. to give a presentation on Empress's Community Hall Building Project (Building on the Past Expanding for the Future). The project has been divided into 4 phases, with phase 1 starting in 2021 and phase 3 in 2025. So far they have funding from the Village of Empress, group fundraising and personal donations. They are looking to get the remaining funding support from Personal & Corporate donations, Provincial and Federal Grants and surrounding RM's, SA and Municipalities.

**New Business:**

- Transfer Station Land Swap
- RMA Spring Convention
- Community Benefits Agreement – Community Generation Project
- Hamlet Utility Rates

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- MPC – MD of Acadia Subdivision
- Grazing Lease Rates

-Council Discussed Empress's request for funding and at this time cannot make any type of commitment as we are waiting to hear back still on the ICIP Grant for our own hall.

Council will make a decision at a later date

-Jason is to contact AEP to see if the Government is willing to sell the M.D. the remainder of the quarter where our landfill is located

-All of Council will be attending Spring Convention March 19-21, 2019

013/2019 COUNCILLOR HOYT:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 have the CAO Wallsmith sign the Community Benefits Agreement with 2171802 Alberta Ltd. for a Community Generation project.

CARRIED

014/2019 COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 increase the Monthly Hamlet utility rate to \$63.00 per month for water with sewer staying at \$12.00/month. This increase will cover the 2% over the next 5 years that HK will be adding to all users.

CARRIED

015/2019 COUNCILLOR PEERS:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 has reviewed the Grazing Lease fees and will increase the yearly lease fees for 2019 to \$5.00 per AUM. A letter will be sent with their invoice to remind them of the rules on the M.D. Lease agreement.

CARRIED

Councillor Skappak left the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

**MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

016/2019 COUNCILLOR RAFA

MOVED that the Municipal District of Acadia #34 Regular Council meeting be recessed to hold a Municipal Planning Commission meeting at 11:35 a.m.

CARRIED

017/2019 COUNCILLOR PEERS

MOVED that the Subdivision application 2018-039 for Lot 1, Blk 19, Plan 1212046 be accepted by the Municipal Planning Commission as per Palliser's recommendations.

CARRIED

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018/2019 COUNCILLOR RAFA

MOVED that the Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adjourned to resume the Regular Council meeting at 11:50 a.m. CARRIED

Councillor Skappak rejoined the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

**CAO REPORT:**

- Still have not heard anything on the ICIP Grant to see if we will get federal funding for a new community hall.
- Erwin Braun will be coming from Calgary to give a presentation at the ASB Irrigation meeting and has requested to be reimbursed for his mileage/time
- Municipal Affairs will be coming out to meet with Jason on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March and then will be in attendance at our March Council meeting
- CAO report attached

019/2019 COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 issue a cheque to Erwin Braun for \$500 to cover his time and mileage when he comes out on the 13<sup>th</sup> to do a presentation on irrigation.

CARRIED

020/2019 COUNCILLOR PEERS:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 have CAO Wallsmith look at the SAMDA bylaws and if we do not see any progress in the next month he is to send a letter that the MD of Acadia #34 will be giving their notice to leave the group. CARRIED

Council adjourned for lunch from 12:05– 12:50 p.m.

**INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE reviewed by the CAO**

- MWAP – Advance Payment
- iHunter Alberta – Online Map Sales
- 2019 Minister’s Awards for Municipal Excellence
- Community Generation Roadshow 2019
- RMA Member Visit
- Genesis Reciprocal Insurance Exchange – AGM
- Community Futures – Report from Susan Grudecki

021/2019 COUNCILLOR PEERS:

That the Monthly Statement, having been checked by Reeve Rafa and Councillor Skappak, be accepted by Council. CARRIED

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022/2019 COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK:

That the attached list of bills has been paid and reviewed by Council;  
Including A/P Cheques and Payroll Cheques # 14537-14571

CARRIED

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

COUNCILLOR PEERS: -SAMDA meeting January 14<sup>th</sup> with Larae Pierson  
Facilitating with a second meeting on January 29<sup>th</sup>

-Report attached

-BCMD January 24<sup>th</sup>, a new Doctor will be coming from Calgary in early March  
Medical Dental house on 7<sup>th</sup> has officially been sold and Dr. Tam from Calgary will be  
joining the Oyen Medical Clinic at the end of February

-Report attached

COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK: -FCSS meeting on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, this was an information  
only meeting on the possibility of starting a Child Advocacy center in Medicine Hat, the  
center would be funded by the Government as well as the Children's Grant.

FCSS Budget meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup>, the books have been audited and they reviewed  
the 2019 budget. The also held a conference call with the Children's Grant as they are  
still waiting for the funding from last year.

-SDAB training in Calgary on February 7<sup>th</sup>, Aaron is now certified.

COUNCILLOR HOYT: -Multi Club Meeting, Ron met with the Presidents of all the  
clubs in Acadia Valley to see what events they are hosting and what challenges each group  
is facing. Current challenges are volunteerism and money as up keeping costs keep rising.

-RDRMUG meeting in Drumheller, main discussion on allocations.

-Copy of minutes attached

REEVE RAFA: -Community tourism planning session put on by Special Areas in Oyen

-Report attached

-Met with Jeff Benson from Johnson, Hunter and Morrison

ASST. DILLABOUGH: - Audit was complete on February 7<sup>th</sup>, Jeff was able to get all  
the reports and information from the new software program and should have the draft  
financials ready for the March meeting.

Councillor Rafa adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Minutes adopted this 12th day of March 2019.

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Reeve Rafa

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CAO Wallsmith