

**TOWN OF VIRDEN
COUNCIL MEETING**

TIME: SEPTEMBER 15, 2009 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBERS VIRDEN, MB
**PRESENT: MAYOR DUNNING, DEPUTY MAYOR JOHNSON,
COUNCILLORS MCCONNELL, POTTER, SCNEIDER,
CHACUN AND WARKENTIN**

MINUTES

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY POTTER, THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of September 1, 2009, and the Special Meeting of Council of August 19, 2009 be approved as posted and distributed.

CARRIED
7 – 0

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED BY WARKENTIN, SECONDED BY CHACUN, THAT the agenda be adopted as amended to include:

- 5d) By-Law 2681
- e) Fireboard Fundraising
- 14e) Planning Update
- 7a) Manitoba Good Roads Seminar

And to delete:

- 10. Planning Service Agreement

CARRIED
7 – 0

RCMP REPORT

MOVED BY POTTER, SECONDED BY MCCONNELL, THAT the RCMP Report for the months of July and August as presented by Corporal Riglin be approved.

CARRIED
7 – 0

APPOINTMENT OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

MOVED BY MCCONNELL, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT based on the evaluation criteria, pricing, the results of the interview and the recommendation of the project manager, Guenter Schaub of Tower Engineering, that the Town of Virden engage the services of Bockstael Construction (1979) Ltd. for the position of Construction Manager for the Multi-Purpose Recreation Facility Project at a cost of \$554,000.00

CARRIED
7 – 0

DELEGATION – TURF CLUB

Barry Nolan and Jack Cameron, representing the Virden Agricultural Turf Club attended the meeting to present a petition regarding the race track at the Recreation Grounds. Mr. Cameron asked Council to put a letter in the paper explaining to those who signed the petition what is happening with the track and the petition.

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY POTTER, THAT the Town of Virden place a letter in the Virden Empire Advance explaining the status of the race track and the location of the petition.

CARRIED
7 - 0

WESTMAN COURTYARD PROJECT

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT the Town of Virden donate \$500.00 to the Westman Courtyard Project.

CARRIED
7 – 0

BUSINESS LICENSES TO CANCEL

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT the following business licenses be cancelled:

Direct Energy (2009) -	\$200.00
Gordon Hutchinson Construction (2009) -	\$ 50.00
Bryan & Dot MacDonald (2009)	<u>-\$ 50.00</u>
	<u>\$300.00</u>

CARRIED
7 – 0

RODEO/AG SOCIETY REQUEST

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MCCONNELL, THAT the Town of Virden allocate up to \$15,000.00 for the moving of the paramutual building to the new outdoor agricultural arena.

CARRIED
7 – 0

PUBLIC HEARING

MOVED BY WARKENTIN, SECONDED BY POTTER, THAT Council adjourn into a Public Hearing to review a zoning amendment application and a variation application.

CARRIED
7 – 0

TOWN OF VIRDEN BY-LAW NO. 2681

MOVED BY POTTER, SECONDED BY SCHEINDER, THAT the Town of Virden By-Law No. 2681 to amend the Town of Virden Zoning By-Law No. 2415 as amended, be read a first time.

CARRIED
7-0

WALLACE DISTRICT FIRE DEPARTMENT– FUNDRAISING BANQUET

MOVED BY POTTER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT the Town of Virden purchase a table for the Wallace District Fire Department Fundraising Banquet at a cost of \$400.00

CARRIED
7 – 0

SKATE SHARPENING ROOM RENTAL AGREEMENT

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY MCCONNELL, THAT the Town of Virden rent the Skate Sharpening room to Randy Kalynuk at a cost of \$100.00 per month plus GST for a total of \$105.00 per month.

CARRIED
7 – 0

2010 TORCH RELAY

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY CHACUN, THAT Council allocate \$1,500.00 from the 2009 budget and \$1,000.00 from the 2010 budget for promotional items for the 2010 torch relay.

CARRIED
7 – 0

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT the criteria for the Citizen of the Year Award be changed to include citizens from the surrounding area as per the amended criteria.

CARRIED
6 – 1

2009 PLANNING CONFERENCE

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY POTTER, THAT two members of Council, the Economic Development Manager and the Chief Administrative Officer or her designate be authorized to attend the Manitoba Planning Conference in Brandon, October 28 – 30, with their expenses, as per policy, being paid.

CARRIED
7 – 0

MANITOBA GOOD ROADS SEMINAR

MOVED BY POTTER, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT the Public Works Foreman be authorized to attend the Manitoba Good Roads Seminar on Road Maintenance in St. Andrews, on October 1, 2009 with his expenses, as per policy, being paid.

CARRIED
7 – 0

AMM ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MOVED BY WARKENTIN, SECONDED BY POTTER, THAT all members of Council, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Manager of Finance and Administration be authorized to attend the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Annual Convention in Brandon, November 23 – 29, 2009, with their expenses, as per policy, being paid.

CARRIED
7 – 0

GREYHOUND PASSENGER BUS SERVICE

MOVED BY MCCONNELL, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT WHEREAS there is a time sensitive deadline of October 2, 2009 to come to an agreement with Greyhound Bus Lines to avoid their proposed reductions to passenger bus services across Canada;

AND WHEREAS the reduction or elimination of regular passenger bus services can have a significant effect on the economic viability and quality of life of communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities urge the Government of Canada to work with provincial and territorial governments to facilitate a short-term solution with Greyhound Bus Lines and/or other providers so that passenger bus services can continue at least at current service levels;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that FCM urge the Government of Canada, to review inter-regional bus service and develop a national transit strategy which includes passenger bus services

CARRIED
7 – 0

FINANCE

Councillor McConnell declared a conflict of interest in the payment of the account with cheque # 59635 to McNeill Harasymchuk McConnell by virtue of his employment with that firm and Councillor Chacun declared a conflict of interest in the payment of the account with cheque # 59616 to herself for food for the canteen at the arena.

MOVED BY POTTER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT the finance be approved as follows:

Town of Virden	Cheque Nos.	59428 - 59615	
		59617 – 59634	
		59636 - 59666	\$461,625.97
Town of Virden Waterworks	Cheque Nos.	21666 – 21696	\$38,187.97

Councillors McConnell and Chacun left the meeting without voting or entering into the discussion regarding the payment of cheques # 59635 and # 59616

CARRIED
7 – 0

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY POTTER, THAT cheque # 59635 in the amount of \$ 559.49 and # 59616 in the amount of \$ 80.00 be approved.

CARRIED
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Councillors McConnell and Chacun returned to the meeting.

IN CAMERA SESSION

MOVED BY POTTER, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT Council adjourn into an In Camera Meeting of the committee of the Whole to discuss the following:

- a) Utility Installation Agreement
- b) Proposed Development
- c) Blue Sky Visioning Session
- d) Recreation Update
- e) Planning Update

CARRIED
7 – 0

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON THAT the In Camera Meeting of the Committee of the Whole be adjourned at 10:10 pm

CARRIED
7 – 0

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER THAT a letter of support be drafted and sent to all of Council for review prior to sending, for a proposed development in the Town of Virden.

CARRIED
7 – 0

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY POTTER THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:14 pm

CARRIED
7 – 0

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER