

# TOWN OF CANMORE MINUTES

Special Meeting of Council
Council Chamber at the Canmore Civic Centre, 902 – 7 Avenue
Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

John Borrowman Mayor

Hans Helder Deputy Mayor
Gordie Miskow Councillor
Vi Sandford Councillor
Sean Krausert Councillor
Jim Ridley Councillor
Joanna McCallum Councillor

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

#### ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Lisa deSoto Chief Administrative Officer

Gary Buxton General Manager of Municipal Infrastructure
Lorrie O'Brien General Manager of Municipal Services

Andy Esarte Manager of Engineering

Brenda Caston Manager of Community Enrichment
Greg Burt Manager of Protective Services
Suzette Cardinal Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Mayor Borrowman called the July 23, 2013 special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

#### A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### 1. Agenda for the July 23, 2013 Special Meeting of Council

215-2013

Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council approve the agenda for the July 23, 2013 special meeting of council with the following addition:

• under In Camera add item L-1 Third Party Business Information.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **B. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

Jim Pissot asked council what Mountain Creek Mitigation has been considered since rain on snow events create substantial damage and what has been the source of advice rebuilding the narrow stream channel at Cougar Creek. Manager of Engineering Andy Esarte responded that some form of channel is required to accommodate summer storms on the short term. Mr. Pissot said this resolution is inadequate, and asked if there were any studies advising the town regarding channeling from the 1960s or 1980s. Mr. Esarte responded that a number of studies had been done, the most recent completed in 2007 and the approach was to funnel that channel – a portion was

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constructed last year, channelization is still in the equation. Mr. Pissot asked why after all these years the CP Rail bridge is still inadequate. Mr. Esarte indicated that although the 1A Highway has been the Town of Canmore's responsibility, the tracks and bridge remain in CP's jurisdiction.

John Kende asked if council would consider postponing some of the proposed capital projects to solve the creek mitigation problem before next spring. Mr. Esarte replied that discussions for proposals for mitigation are ongoing and that the province is going to work with the Town to understand the creek flooding. That will form a part of the budget discussions. Mr. Kende asked if council is going to continue planning the construction of an art centre, and Mayor Borrowman responded that art centre decisions will be a matter for council debate.

#### C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

None

#### D. MINUTES

None

#### E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

## F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

#### G. BYLAW APPROVAL

None

#### H. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Mountain Creek Flood Mitigation Plan

216-2013

Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council approve the Mountain Creek Flood Mitigation Plan in the following manner:

- (1) \$200,000 transfer from Capital 1249 Cougar Creek Bank Restoration
- (2) \$400,000 from general capital reserves

**CARRIED** 

In favour: Helder, Krausert, Borrowman, Miskow, McCallum, Ridley Opposed: Sandford

#### 2. Tax Relief

217-2013

Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council approve tax relief for property owners on Cougar Creek such that the total monthly tax payable will be forgiven for each month the home remains in unoccupied state beyond July 15, 2013.

217A-2013

Moved by Councillor Helder that council amend motion 217-2013 by replacing the word "total" with "municipal".

**CARRIED** 

In favour: Helder, Miskow, McCallum, Sandford Opposed: Krausert, Borrowman, Ridley

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217-20013

The vote followed on motion 217-2013 as amended: that council approve tax relief for property owners on Cougar Creek such that the municipal monthly tax payable will be forgiven for each month the home remains in unoccupied state beyond July 15, 2013.

**CARRIED** 

In favour: Helder, Krausert, McCallum, Borrowman, Miskow, Ridley

Opposed: Sandford

218-2013

Moved by Councillor Krausert that council direct administration to bring a recommendation for a 2013 tax reduction or rebate for those properties along Cougar Creek who suffered loss of land in the June 2013 flood event.

**DEFEATED** 

In favour: Krausert

Opposed: Helder, McCallum, Borrowman, Miskow, Ridley, Sandford

3. CSAC Community Grants

219-2013 Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council approve a \$3000 community grant for Bow Valley Choral.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

220-2013

Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council approve an \$8,000 community grant for the Friends of Kananaskis.

**CARRIED** 

In favour: Helder, Krausert, McCallum, Borrowman, Miskow, Ridley Opposed: Sandford

221-2013

222-2013

Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council approve a \$3,000 community grant for Alpenglow Community Education.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

None

#### REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

# 1. Flood Recovery Update

Administration provided council with a verbal update on flood recovery activities.

#### **K. NOTICES OF MOTION**

None

#### L. IN CAMERA

### 1. Third Party Business Information

Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council go in camera at 9:05 p.m. to prevent disclosure of third party business information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

223-2013 Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council return to the public meeting at 9:47 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Minutes approved by:

M. ADJOURNMENT

224-2013

Moved by Mayor Borrowman that council adjourn the July 23, 2013 special meeting of council at 9:47 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

John Borrowman, Mayor

Cheryl Hyde, Municipal Clerk