

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF
BLACK DIAMOND, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD
DECEMBER 16, 2009 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE TOWN OFFICE**

PRESENT

Mayor Sharlene Brown
Councillors Bill Price, Michel Jackson, Tyler Bray, Sharon Hart, Mike Ross and Judy Thomson
Town Manager Joanne Irwin, Administrative Assistant Verna Staples, Public Works Manager Andy Pfeifer and Development Officer Rod Potrie
Approximately 11 people including but not limited to: Suzanne & Murray Zdebiak, Robert & Christine Price, Deirdre Spicer, Jane Toews, Diane Osberg, Muhammad Zia-Ul-Haque, Dave Brown, Gordon Tomte and Alex Fortier.

Mayor Sharlene Brown presented Deirdre Spicer of Pharmasave with a certificate and a cheque for 1st Place, Commercial category, of the 2009 Christmas Light Up Contest. Murray & Suzanne Zdebiak won 1st place in the Residential category and were presented with a certificate and cheque. Robert & Christine Price were presented with a certificate for 2nd place in the Residential category.

ORDER

Mayor Sharlene Brown called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

a) **Public Hearing - Bylaw 09-16** To redesignate (Lots 8&9, Block 12, Plan 0910930) from Residential Single Detached Conventional (R-1C) to Public Services (PS) District

Mayor Sharlene Brown declared the Public Hearing regarding Bylaw 09-16 open at 7:30 p.m. Development Officer Rod Potrie delivered a powerpoint presentation, as attached. It was noted that no written responses had been received and as no verbal responses were forthcoming, Mayor Sharlene Brown declared the Public Hearing to be closed at 7:43 p.m.

**15-MINUTE
QUESTION &
ANSWER
PERIOD**

Mayor Sharlene Brown declared the 15-minute question & answer period open at 7:43 p.m. Gordon Tomte, 16 Valley Ridge Place, questioned the article in the last edition of the Western Wheel stating that our water operations are running at 30%, and he asked for some clarification. Mayor Sharlene Brown stated that someone would respond to his question after the article which Mr. Tomte was referencing was able to be located. Mr. Tomte then advised that the Town of Turner Valley has hired Glenn Pitman to review the efficiency of their Council and Committees' operations and suggested that the Town of Black Diamond do the same. Mayor Sharlene Brown stated that the Town of Black Diamond has its own

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consultants. She further replied that Council and Staff had just recently finished a strategic planning session and an action plan review of the Municipal Sustainability Plan, and as soon as those documents are completed, they will be brought forward to Council for approval. As there were no further questions forthcoming, Mayor Sharlene Brown declared the 15-minute question & answer period closed at 7:46 p.m.

AGENDA

Res. 2009-424

Moved by Councillor Bill Price that Council agree to accept the agenda, as presented.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

MINUTES

Res. 2009-425

Moved by Councillor Mike Ross that Council agree to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held December 2, 2009, as presented.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

a) Sheep River Library – D. Osberg

Diane Osberg, Chair of the Sheep River Library Board, offered her written report on the Library's projects for 2009 and their plans for 2010, as attached. Mayor Sharlene Brown thanked Ms. Osberg and the Sheep River Library Board for all their hard work and efforts, especially in new programs. The presentation ended at 8:00 p.m.

BYLAWS

a) Bylaw 09-16: Redesignating (Lots 8&9, Block 12, Plan 0910930) from Residential Single Detached Conventional (R-1C) to Public Services (PS) District

Res. 2009-426

Moved by Councillor Tyler Bray that Council agree to give Bylaw 09-16 second reading.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Res. 2009-427

Moved by Councillor Sharon Hart that Council agree to give Bylaw 09-16 third and final reading.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS

- a) Core Strategy: Provide Safe and Effective Service –**
no items to be discussed

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b) Core Strategy: Partnerships

**(i) Appointment of J. Laskowski to Economic
Development Committee**

Res. 2009-428

Moved by Councillor Mike Ross that Council agree to appoint Joseph Laskowski to the Economic Development Committee.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

c) Core Strategy: Improve Communication – no items to discuss

d) Core Strategy: Positive Leadership – no items to discuss

e) Miscellaneous Items

(i) Town Manager Report Decisions – as required
None required.

(ii) Delegation decisions (as required)

Res. 2009-429

Moved by Mayor Sharlene Brown that Council agree to send a letter to the Sheep River Library Board offering thanks for their hard work and congratulations on a successful year.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

(iii) Committee of the Whole decisions (as required)

Res. 2009-430

Moved by Mayor Sharlene Brown that Council agree to amend the draft Emergency Management Bylaw to establish the Emergency Management Committee and to forward the Bylaw to the January 6, 2010 Council meeting.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Res. 2009-431

Moved by Councillor Sharon Hart that Council agree that should a development agreement be negotiated with Mr. Brown in relation to his private affordable housing project, that the Town be authorized to agree to delay the collection of off-site levies until the foundations are poured, and that Council agree that no tax concessions would be forthcoming regarding this project.

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It was generally agreed that Administration, along with the assistance of the Sustainable Black Diamond Advisory Committee, research and prepare a resolution for the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) advocating the re-use of grey water in Alberta.

It was generally agreed that Administration research and prepare a resolution for the AUMA regarding the present Municipal Government Act (MGA) advertising requirements as outlined in MGA section 606 and that the resolution advocate for the ability to use Post Office Box mail delivery.

Res. 2009-432

Moved by Councillor Judy Thomson that Council agree to join the Coalition for Cellphone Free Driving.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Res. 2009-433

Moved by Councillor Tyler Bray that Council agree to have Administration, in consultation with the Development Officer, research and prepare a Land Use Bylaw amendment denying installation of commercial drive-throughs in the Town of Black Diamond.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Res. 2009-434

Moved by Councillor Sharon Hart that Council agree to donate ice time, to a maximum of \$500.00, to the Oilfields Curling Club's 50th Anniversary "Frosty Rocks" event, with the funds to come from the Council Miscellaneous budget.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

(iv) Day of the Honey Bee Proclamation

Mayor Sharlene Brown read a proclamation declaring May 29, 2010 Day of the Honey Bee, as attached.

**CORRESPONDENCE
AND INFORMATION**

Res. 2009-435

Moved by Councillor Michel Jackson that Council agree to accept the following correspondence for information purposes only:

- a) Town Manager's Report
- b) Public Works Report
- c) Letter from the Town of Turner Valley regarding Centre 78 Community Centre Business Case
- d) Thank you card from Boys & Girls Club of Diamond Valley & District

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RECESS

Res. 2009-436

Moved by Mayor Sharlene Brown that Council agree to recess the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RECONVENE

Res. 2009-437

Moved by Mayor Sharlene Brown that Council agree to reconvene the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Councillor Sharon Hart: written report attached
Councillor Michel Jackson: written report attached
Councillor Judy Thomson: written report attached
Councillor Mike Ross: written report attached
Councillor Tyler Bray: written report attached
Councillor Bill Price: written report attached
Mayor Sharlene Brown: written report attached
Committee of the Whole Minutes, December 14, 2009,
attached

ADJOURNMENT

Res. 2009-438

Moved by Councillor Michel Jackson that Council agree to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

MAYOR

TOWN MANAGER