

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Smith, Mayor Walker, Councillors Brenda Kerr, Daryl Presakarchuk,  
And Greg Rycroft

**ABSENT:** Councillor Eric Schmidt

**ADMINISTRATION:** Dennis Egyedy; Chief Administrative Officer, Danica Gummesen; Recorder

**CALL TO ORDER** Deputy Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF  
THE AGENDA**

**MOTION 17-12732** Councillor Kerr Moved:  
"To adopt the agenda with the following additions:  
Old Business: Flower Contract, and Canada Day  
In Camera: Labour"

Carried

**ADOPTION OF  
THE MINUTES**

**MOTION 17-12733** Mayor Walker Moved:  
"To adopt the Minutes of March 9, 2017 regular meeting as presented"

Carried

*Councillor Presakarchuk entered the meeting at 5:15 p.m.*

**PRESENTATIONS**

**KCL Consulting** KCL Consulting Assessor, Kevin Lawrence presented council with a brief overview of how Assessors follow and calculate assessments. Lawrence explained how the market dictates the rise and fall of assessment values.

Lawrence discussed the Town of Manning's 2016 Municipal Assessment report and welcomed questions during this time from council. Lawrence stated the Assessment is lower than the previous year, with an overall reduction of approximately 6% across the board for all roll numbers. He explained this shift matched other municipalities.

**RCMP Annual  
Performance Plan**

Manning RCMP Sgt. David Marentette and Constable Simpson addressed council and requested feedback to formulate their Annual Performance plan for 2017. Council suggested following the previous year's plan with a focus on reducing crimes against people and drugs, increased community involvement, road safety including crosswalks, unauthorized parking and impaired driving.

**CAO REPORT**

CAO Egyedy presented council with an update on the purchase of 100 Class "A" shares of Gas Alberta Inc. The Minister of Municipal Affairs, Hon. Shaye Anderson, has approved the purchase; anticipated completion is by the end of June 2017.

Consulting Company 13 Ways has completed their final report and recommendations for "Improving Collaboration between the Town and County of Northern Lights".

Council agreed to hold a separate meeting to discuss the report recommendations made by "13 Ways". The meeting will be held in council chambers on April 27, 2017 at 5:15 p.m. After the April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting, council directed Egyedy to contact the County of Northern Lights and set up a joint meeting between both councils to discuss the "13 Ways report."

CAO Egyedy informed council that the County of Northern Lights did not approve the quote of \$414, 00.00 for new arena furnaces at their March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. The County has requested two or more additional quotes be provided before approving the purchase.

**MOTION 17-12734** Councillor Kerr Moved:  
"To approve the CAO's report as presented."

Carried

### COUNCILLOR REPORTS

- Mayor Walker reported on her attendance at the March 7 and 8, 2017 AUMA Mayor's Caucus. The event reviewed various topics and concerns including MGA changes and implications.
- Deputy Mayor Smith reported on her attendance at the March 16, 2017 Chamber of Commerce Meeting. Financials were discussed as well as work being done to hold a "Community Block Party" in June called June Days.
- Councillor Kerr reported on her attendance at the March 2017 North Peace Applied Housing Foundation Meeting that a formal approval of \$100,000.00 to negotiate plans for the Del Air Lodge expansion has been approved.
- Councillor Schmidt absent
- Councillor Presakarchuk reported on his attendance at the March 20, 2017 Long Lake Regional Waste Management Services Commission meeting. Vision Chartered Accountants attended the meeting to review the 2016 financial report. They had met budget and ended with a surplus.
- Councillor Rycroft reported on his attendance at the March 15, 2017 Manning Library Board meeting. The Library Board is presently reviewing their policies and setting up an employee wage scale. Secondly, they are preparing an online library expansion survey.
- MOTION 17-12735 Councillor Rycroft Moved:  
"To approve the council reports as presented."
- Carried

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Flower Contract Mayor Walker requested further discussion on the elimination of hanging flower baskets from the Amicis 2017 Flower Contract. Councillors reported receiving no negative feedback about the decision and the discussion ended.
- MOTION 17-12736 Councillor Kerr Moved:  
"To approve up to \$1,300.00 spending on improvement of the beach area by the Town River with funds saved from the hanging flower baskets – beautification program."
- Recorded Vote**  
**Opposed: Mayor Walker**  
**In Favour: Kerr, Presakarchuk, Rycroft, Smith**
- Carried

- Canada Day CAO, Egyedy reported that he received an email response from Cars & Guitars Coordinator, Terry Ungarian. Town council requested a collaborative Canada Day event in conjunction with Cars & Guitars. Councillor Kerr stated she would discuss with Mr. Ungarian possible Canada Day plans.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### Engineering Services

- MOTION 17-12737 Mayor Walker Moved:  
"To approve the Proposal from MPE Engineering Ltd. for Engineering Consulting Services Three (3) Year Standing Offer Agreement effective on date of signing."
- Carried

#### Municipal Elections

- MOTION 17-12738 Councillor Rycroft Moved:  
"To advertise the position of Returning Officer for the 2017 Town of Manning Municipal Elections with a closing date of May 4, 2017."

### INFORMATION/ CORRESPONDENCE

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| a) Action List                          | Enclosed |
| b) Financial Statements and Cheque List | Enclosed |
| c) Minister of Culture and Tourism      | Enclosed |

- MOTION 17-12739 Councillor Kerr Moved:  
"To approve item #8 (a-c) as information only."
- Carried

**MATTERS RELATING TO PRESENTATIONS**

## Municipal Assessment

MOTION 17-12740

Councillor Kerr Moved:

"To review the 2017 budget on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in an effort to eliminate the \$372,863.00 revenue shortfall due to lower municipal assessments."

Carried

MOTION 17-12741

Mayor Walker Moved:

"To approve the mailing of Property Assessments when received from the Town Assessor and mailing of Tax Notices after Tax Bylaw approved; commencing in the year 2018."

Carried

**IN CAMERA**

## Labour

MOTION 17-12742

Deputy Mayor Smith Moved:

"To go In Camera at 6:52 p.m. with no invites."

*CAO Egyedy and Recorder Gummesen departed the meeting.*

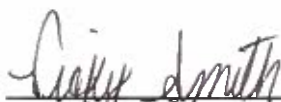
MOTION 17-12743

Deputy Mayor Smith Moved:

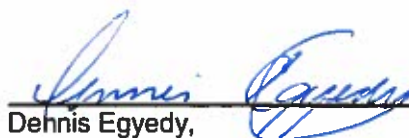
"To go Out of In Camera at 7:10 p.m."

**ADJOURNMENT**

Deputy Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.



Vicky Smith, Deputy Mayor

Dennis Egyedy,  
Chief Administrative Officer