



Swift Current, Sask.
July 20, 2015

Within the Council Chambers, City Hall, a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Swift Current was held on July 20, 2015 commencing at 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Mayor J. Schafer
Councillor G. Bowditch
Councillor G. Budd
Councillor P. Friesen
Councillor D. Perrault
Councillor R. Plewis
Councillor R. Toles

Tim Marcus, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer
Greg Parsons, Director of Engineering Services and Operations
Lee Ann Thibodeau-Hodgson, City Clerk
Chris Pool, Facilities Manager, Community Services
Kathy Hopfner, General Manager of Corporate Services
Michael Ruus, Manager of Planning and Bylaw
Denis Pilon, Fire Chief
Marlene Johnson, Executive Assistant Mayor/CAO
Melissa Shaw, Aquatic Superintendent
Todd Schultz, Airport Superintendent

Adoption of
Agenda.

No. 198 Moved by Councillor Budd, Seconded by Councillor Friesen:

"THAT the Agenda for the Council meeting of July 20, 2015 be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED.

Adoption of
Minutes.

No. 199 Moved by Councillor Toles, Seconded by Councillor Plewis:

"THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held June 22, 2015 be approved."

CARRIED.

Proclamations.

Melissa Shaw, Aquatic Superintendent, Community Services, attended to proclaim July 19 to July 25, 2015 as "National Drowning Prevention Week."

Public
Hearings/
Notice
Matters.

Items for
Action.

Accounts. The General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period June 15 to June 19, 2015 were presented.

No. 200 Moved by Councillor Friesen, Seconded by Councillor Plewis:

"THAT the General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period June 15 to June 19, 2015 in the amount of \$1,179,626.87 be approved."

CARRIED.

The General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period June 22 to June 26, 2015 were presented.

No. 201 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Bowditch:

"THAT the General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period June 22 to June 26, 2015 in the amount of \$1,020,249.62 be approved."

CARRIED.

The General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period June 29 to July 3, 2015 were presented.

Councillor Plewis declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

No. 202 Moved by Councillor Toles, Seconded by Councillor Budd:

"THAT the General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period June 29 to July 3, 2015 in the amount of \$980,776.63 be approved."

CARRIED.

Councillor Plewis returned to the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

The General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period July 6 to July 10, 2015 were presented.

No. 203 Moved by Councillor Perrault, Seconded by Councillor Bowditch:

"THAT the General Revenue Fund Disbursement Records for the period July 6 to July 10, 2015 in the amount of \$1,491,571.24 be approved."

CARRIED.

Cypress Health Region Link Access. A report regarding Link Access and Operating Agreement and Access Agreement was presented by the Deputy CAO and CFO.

No. 204 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Friesen:

"THAT the City enter into a Link Access Easement and Operating Agreement with Cypress Regional Health and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorize to sign the said Agreement."

CARRIED.

No. 205 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Bowditch:

"THAT the City enter into an Access Easement (Outer Wall and Attachments) with Cypress Regional Health and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorize to sign the said Easement."

CARRIED.

Residential Sprinklers and Other Options. A report regarding Residential Sprinklers and Other Options was presented by the Deputy CAO and CFO.

No. 206 Moved by Councillor Budd, Seconded by Councillor Friesen:

"THAT Council approves the Residential Sprinkler Tax Incentive Policy that would exempt one-half of the annual municipal taxes for a period of five years to a maximum total amount of \$4,000.00 to be applied to all residential dwellings constructed in the City of Swift Current that solely due to Building Bylaw No. 7 - 2010 require the installation of residential sprinkler systems, or new residential dwellings that have residential sprinklers systems installed when not required by any building code, fire code, regulation, policy or bylaw as follows:

RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLERS TAX INCENTIVE POLICY

INTRODUCTION:

The City of Swift Current has a Building Bylaw #7-2010 that require residential fire sprinklers to be installed in residential dwellings that are constructed outside a 10 minute intervention time from the fire hall. Further, there are new residential dwellings that are constructed within the City of Swift Current and located within the 10 minute intervention time from the fire hall that that have residential sprinkler systems installed.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this initiative to provide a tax exemption incentive to both residential dwellings that are constructed in areas outside the 10 minute intervention time from the fire hall and residential dwellings that are constructed in other areas of the City of Swift Current within the 10 minute intervention time from the fire hall that have residential sprinklers installed..

As an incentive to install residential sprinklers in residential dwellings, the City is prepared to grant a property tax exemption.

DEFINITIONS:

- Residential Dwelling – Means a building or a portion thereof, designed exclusively for human habitation including one-unit, two-unit and multiple unit dwellings but not including hotels or motels.
- Residential Sprinkler System - Means a fire sprinkler system that complies with one of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards NFPA 13D: Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in One- and Two-Family Dwellings and Manufactured Homes or NFPA 13R: Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in Low-Rise Residential Occupancies.
- Areas located outside the 10 Minute Intervention Time from the fire hall – Means those areas identified as Fire Protected Areas in **Building Bylaw #7-2010**.

POLICY

The City will grant an exemption from taxation for new residential dwellings constructed within the City of Swift Current, which solely due to **Building Bylaw #7-2010** require the installation of residential sprinkler systems, or new residential dwellings that have residential sprinkler systems installed when not required by any building code, fire code, regulation, policy or bylaw. The Exemption will be provided in the following manner:

- 50% of the annual municipal taxes that apply to the residential dwelling for a period of five (5) years to a maximum total exemption value of \$4,000.00.

- To be eligible the building permit for the residential dwelling must have been issued after 2010.
- If the residential dwelling is accessing any other municipal tax or assessment incentive policy, it shall not qualify for tax exemptions under this policy.

PROCEDURES:

The property owner(s) will be required to fill out an "Application for Tax Exemption For Residential Dwellings That Have Sprinkler Systems Installed".

Upon acceptance by Corporate Services Division that all of the necessary work has been done and all of the necessary documents have been submitted along with a complete and correct application, the City will have the tax exemption start from the date of occupancy.

The exemption will be for the total time outlined in the policy.

APPLICATION FOR A TAX EXEMPTION FOR RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS THAT HAVE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS INSTALLED

This Tax Incentive Policy is a program to assist in the costs of installing residential sprinkler systems in residential dwellings constructed within the City of Swift Current.

Conditions of Eligibility for the Tax Exemption

1. New residential dwellings constructed within the City of Swift Current, which solely due to **Building Bylaw #7-2010** require the installation of residential sprinkler systems, or new residential dwellings that have residential sprinkler systems installed when not required by any building code, fire code, regulation, policy or bylaw, shall be eligible for a municipal property tax exemption based on 50% of the annual municipal portion of the taxes levied for a period of five (5) years to a maximum total exemption value of \$4,000.00.
2. Residential dwellings whose building permit was issued after 2010 are eligible for the property tax exemption.
3. A new owner of a residential dwelling that has a tax exemption agreement in place shall be eligible to continue the tax exemption as long as the agreement is still current. (i.e. the tax exemption is within the eligible time period.)
4. Property tax exemptions shall commence on the date the dwelling was occupied.

Full Name of Applicant: _____

Civic Address: _____

_____ Swift Current _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: (Res.) _____ (Bus.) _____

Legal Description of Property: Lot(s): _____ Block: _____ Plan: _____

Date of Issue of Building Permit: _____ Date of Occupancy: _____

I / We, the undersigned, understand the conditions of eligibility outlined above and would like to apply for a tax exemption under the Residential Sprinkler Tax Incentive Policy.

Applicant(s)

Date

Required Attachments:

1. Copy of the Fire Sprinkler Test Report from the Installer
2. Certified Certificate of Title."

CARRIED.

SC Airport Lease Craft Aviation Ltd. A report from the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations regarding Swift Current Airport Lease Agreement was presented by the Director of Engineering Services and Operations.

No. 207 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Friesen:

"THAT the Lease Agreement between the City of Swift Current and Craft Aviation Ltd. dated November 8, 2011 for property located at Swift Current Airport be terminated effective June 30, 2015."

CARRIED.

No. 208 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Perrault:

"THAT the City enter into a Lease Agreement with Craft Aviation Ltd. for property located at Swift Current Airport and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the said Agreement."

CARRIED.

Land Lease Corey Custom Works Ltd. A report from the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations regarding a Land Lease Agreement was presented by the Director of Engineering Services and Operations.

Moved by Councillor Friesen, Seconded by Councillor Toles:

"THAT the City enter into a Land Lease Agreement for 215 acres located at SW 18-16-14 W3M, SE 18-16-14 W3M and SW 17-16-14 W3M for a five (5) year term at the rate of \$3,225.00 per year at a 2% increase per year, with Corey Custom Works Ltd. and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Lease Agreement."

The motion was amended.

No.209 Moved by Councillor Friesen, Seconded by Councillor Toles:

"THAT the City enter into a Land Lease Agreement for 215 acres located at SW 18-16-14 W3M, SE 18-16-14 W3M and SW 17-16-14 W3M for a five (5) year term at the rate of \$3,225.00 per year at a 2% increase per year, commencing January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2019 with Corey Custom Works Ltd. and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Lease Agreement."

CARRIED.

Concrete & Asphalt Crushing Steve's Excavating. A report from the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations regarding Concrete and Asphalt Crushing - East Landfill was presented by the Director of Engineering Services and Operations.

No. 210 Moved by Councillor Perrault, Seconded by Councillor Plewis:

"THAT the City enter into an Agreement for concrete and asphalt crushing with Steve Janke operating as Steve's Excavating and Snow Removal Inc. and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the contract."

CARRIED.

Subdivision 600 Blk North Railway St E. A report regarding a Proposal to Subdivide Part of Parcel M, Plan 102155600 was presented by the Manager of Development Services.

No. 211 Moved by Councillor Budd, Seconded by Councillor Bowditch:

"THAT the Proposed Subdivision of Parcel M, Plan 102155600 be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Certificate of Approval."

CARRIED.

Consolidate Lots 10-17 Blk 94 Plan N1700. A report regarding a Proposal to Consolidate Lots 10 to 17, Block 94, Plan N1700 was presented by the Manager of Development Services.

No. 212 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Toles:

"THAT the Proposed Consolidation of Lots 10 to 17, Block 94, Plan N1700 be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Certificate of Approval."

CARRIED.

Reports for
Information.

Bylaws.

No. 213 Moved by Councillor Friesen, Seconded by Councillor Budd:

2nd Rdg “THAT Bill No. 9 - 2015 be taken as read a second time.”

CARRIED.

No. 214 Moved by Councillor Friesen, Seconded by Councillor Budd:

Final Rdg “THAT Bill No. 9 - 2015 be taken as read a third time and finally passed.”

CARRIED.

THIS BILL IS THEN NUMBERED BYLAW NO. 9 - 2015.

No. 215 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Bowditch:

2nd Rdg “THAT Bill No. 10 - 2015 be taken as read a second time.”

CARRIED.

Councillor Budd declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

No. 216 Moved by Councillor Plewis, Seconded by Councillor Bowditch:

Final Rdg “THAT Bill No. 10 - 2015 be taken as read a third time and finally passed.”

CARRIED.

Councillor Budd returned to the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

THIS BILL IS THEN NUMBERED BYLAW NO. 10 - 2015.

Unfinished
Business.

New
Business.

Communi-
cations.

Delegations.

En Camera
Items.

Reports of
Council
Members/
Enquiries.

The following topics were raised by members of Council:

- Hockey Hall of Fame - Humboldt – Inductees;
- Mosquito Championships – Five in a Row;
- Naming of Sharon Hogg Field;
- Century Flying Club;
- Windscape Kite Festival;
- Chautauqua;
- Library Board Meeting;
- Residential Lots at Elmwood Golf and Country Club.

Adjourn-
ment.

No. 217 Moved by Councillor Perrault, Seconded by Councillor Bowditch:

(7:35 p.m.) “THAT we do now adjourn.”

CARRIED.

Mayor

City Clerk