

TOWN OF HAMIOTA

Minutes of the 2nd regular meeting of the Town of Hamiota held on November 16, 2005. Mayor Robertson and Councillors Oakden, Irwin, Lee and Johnson were present with Mayor Robertson in the Chair.

1. Minutes

#1

Irwin – Oakden

Resolved that minutes of the 1st Regular meeting held on November 2nd, 2005 be adopted as read.

For: 5

Against: 0

Carried.

2. Business Arising From Minutes:

3. Financial Statements

#2

Lee – Oakden

Resolved that Council of the Town of Hamiota approve the account in the amount of \$382,357.20 for November 2 to November 16, 2005.

For: 5

Against: 0

Carried.

4. Correspondence:

	<u>From:</u>	<u>Purpose:</u>	<u>Disposition:</u>
a)	AMM	Resolutions Process	Noted/Filed
b)	Canadian Union of Postal Workers	Canada Post closing offices	Res. #3

#3 Larry – Linda

WHEREAS Canada Post is reviewing its entire postal network and has announced plans to close a mail sorting plant in Quebec City as the very first step in its review.

WHEREAS the government appears to support Canada Post's plan to close the plant in Quebec City, beginning in December 2005, which would eliminate 302 jobs.

WHEREAS the government is allowing Canada Post to close rural post offices in spite of a moratorium on post office closures in rural and small towns.

WHEREAS our public postal network plays a key role in our social and economic life by providing jobs and the infrastructure that healthy communities need to thrive and businesses need to grow.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Hamiota write to John McCallum, the Minister Responsible for Canada Post and request that the federal government instruct Canada Post:

- 1. to stop the closure of the mail sorting plant in Quebec City and proposed closure in other locations.*
- 2. to consult with the public, postal unions and other major stakeholders to develop a uniform and democratic process for making changes to the Canada Post's network.*
- 3. to maintain, expand and improve our public postal network.*

For: 5

Against: 0

Carried.

c) **Canadian Fallen Firefighters** **Support** **Noted/Filed**

5. Delegations:

7:15 pm - Nora Gray, Senior's Council

The Senior's Council has relocated from their old facility at the Health Centre that they shared with EMS to Park Residence. The move has caused the Council to incur increased operating costs for phone and stationary. They also have to look at purchasing a computer for internet access.

They were requesting the Town consider giving them an annual operating grant to cover the increase. The Senior's Council was assembling information regarding other Seniors Groups and money that they receive from their municipality. It was agreed that the Town would receive a copy of the information when it became available.

Council thanked the delegation for their presentation.

6. By-laws:

7. Committee Reports:

Health Stakeholders	Robertson	Planning District	Robertson
Municipal Park.....	Robertson	Senior Citizens Residence	Robertson
Cemetery	Oakden	Economic Development.	Oakden/Lee
Volunteer Committee.....	Oakden	Tourism.....	Oakden
EMO & Fire Department	Oakden		
Weed Control	Irwin	Rollingdale/C.A.M.R.....	Irwin
Animal Control	Irwin	Midwest Recreation	Irwin
Aquatic Centre	Irwin	Library –Local/Parkland	Irwin
Arts & Heritage.....	Irwin	Healthy Communities	Irwin
Communities in Bloom.....	Irwin		
Waste Management/Recycling	Lee	Handi-Transit	Lee
Community Centre.....	Lee	Conservation District/Upper Assin.	Lee
Finance.....	Lee	Vet Clinic	Lee
Public Works.....	Johnson ..	R.C.M.P	Johnson
Ham. Conservation Auth.	Johnson	Sports Complex.....	Johnson
Hamiota Golf Course	Johnson	Water Works	Johnson

Planning District

- Looking at possible membership of two (2) other municipalities

Municipal Park

- Red Sox Diamond approved for repairs
- Gymkhana proposal to upgrade to be looked at in the new year

Volunteer Night

- Still trying to obtain speaker for the evening which will take place Thursday April 6, 2005.

Economic Development

- Working with Bio Diesel Focus Group
- House may have been sold
- Discussed the success of the Community Branding Project
- Motel focus group has met
- MAFRI has entered into negotiations to move into the Premium Pork Offices

Arts & Heritage

- Basement stones have been repointed
- 30 currently in the dance group
- Brandon Choral coming to Town

Communities in Bloom

- Looking at tree replanting in 2006
- Tree of lights underway
- Brandon is Hosting the 2006 Nationals

Midwest Recreation

- Attended the Provincial Conference this past weekend
- Should look at sending youth in the future
- Watch for new legislation on fundraising and charitable receipts

Healthy Communities

- Meeting to be held tomorrow in the A.M.

Waste Management/Recycling

- Meeting tomorrow in the A.M
- Look at providing more help to the recycling depot

Community Centre

- Met with the Seniors Council on various issues
- Addition is roughed in and work party will finish it
- Geo Thermal Heat is in
- The two air conditioners are for sale

Conservation District/Upper Assiniboine

- Working on realignment of District Boundaries
- Conference in Brandon in December

Vet Clinic

- Actively pursuing a vet

Conservation Authority

- Assembling materials to complete deck and Woods slough

Golf Course

- AGM was held October 12, 2005 and a new executive has been elected

RCMP

- Went to the crystal meth presentation in Shoal Lake. It was well attended and very informative.

Sports Complex

- New carpet going into club room
- Hydro grant for new lights
- Minor hockey building new equipment room under bleachers

Water Works

- Rural Water System being investigated
- Angus Norrie now hooked up

8. CAO's Report:

- 2005 Flood claim has been submitted
- Update on new office building
- Looking at options for new storage building

9. Notes and Comments:**10. Adjourn:**

#4

Oakden – Irwin

Resolved that Council of the Town of Hamiota do now adjourn at 10:50 pm to meet again on December 7, 2005 at 7:00 pm.

For: 5***Against: 0******Carried.***

 MAYOR

 Chief Administrative Officer