

VILLAGE OF EMPRESS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 21, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Empress was held via Zoom on Thursday January 21, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

MEMBERS
PRESENT

Mayor - Carman Cooper
Deputy Mayor – Sandra Crooker
Councillor – Roy Gill

CAO/ Recording Secretary – Debbie Ross

CALL TO ORDER

The regular council meeting was called to order by Mayor Cooper at 5:00 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA
C172-21-01-2021

RESOLUTION by Councillor Gill to adopt the January 21, 2021 agenda as amended.

8c) i) Sand
8d) i) Request to use Hall for walking
9a) Municipal Affairs
9d) RCMP reports

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF
MINUTES
C173-21-01-2021

RESOLUTION by Mayor Cooper that the Village of Empress adopts the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of December 17, 2020 as presented.

CARRIED

BCMDB

Deputy Mayor Crooker provided Council with a report on the Big Country Medical Dental Board meeting she attended in Oyen.

HALL COMMITTEE

Councillor Gill provided Council with a report on the Hall Committee meeting he attended December 15, 2020 in Empress.

LIBRARY

Mayor Cooper reported the Library hours have been changed back to 11:00 am to 5:00 pm on Wednesdays. The remaining hours remain unchanged, Tuesday Thursday and Friday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

FININCIAL
REPORTS

Council was provided with the financial report

CAO REPORT

Council was provided with the CAO action report

PUBLIC WORKS
REPORT

C174-21-01-2021

Council was provided with a written Public Works report.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Gill to accept the written and verbal reports of Council and staff for information purposes as presented.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

<p><u>BYLAW MATRIX</u> <u>C175-21-01-2021</u></p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Gill that the Council of the Village of Empress add Bylaws 20-49, 18-55, 12-61 and 8-62 to the Bylaw Review Matrix.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>BYLAW 13-2014</u> <u>CEMETERY</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u> <u>BYLAW</u></p>	<p>Council reviewed as per Bylaw review Matrix and recommended no changes.</p>
<p><u>OFFICE BREAK IN</u> <u>C176-21-01-2021</u></p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Cooper that the Council of the Village of Empress approve the additional expenditure of \$1500.00 not included in the budget for upgrading WIFI in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>SAND</u> <u>C177-21-01-2021</u></p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Gill that the Council of the Village of Empress authorize the placement of sand by the town shop for residents of Empress to have access to small quantities (5-gallon pail) to use on their sidewalks and driveways, with sand being monitored by Village security cameras.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>COMMUNITY HALL</u> <u>2021-2024</u> <u>C178-21-01-2021</u></p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Deputy Mayor Crooker that the Council of the Village of Empress authorize the use of the Community Hall for public walking 1p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday excluding any holidays, providing all COVID restrictions and guidelines are followed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>FIRE DEPARTMENT</u> <u>C179-21-01-2021</u></p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Cooper that the Council of the Village of Empress meet with the Empress Volunteer Fire Department to develop a list of policies for development.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>CORRESPONENCE</u> <u>C180-21-01-2021</u></p>	<p>RESOLUTION by Mayor Cooper that Council of the Village of Empress receives for information the correspondence presented at the January 21, 2021 Regular Council meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>
<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p>	<p>Mayor Cooper adjourned the meeting @ 6:14 pm.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Mayor</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Chief Administrative Officer</p>

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