

Grand Coulee

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Village Council Meeting August 6, 2013

- Minutes of the regular meeting on July 2nd were approved as were the payment of accounts, the bank reconciliations, balance sheet and the financial statements.
- It was brought to councils' attention that people are continuing to fill in their ditches. Council has instructed the Administrator to send letters to those households to inform them about the implications of filling in and altering the grade of the ditch directly in front of their property. Furthermore, if any action is required to correct the grade and drainage in the ditch directly in front of their property, it will be at the homeowner's expense.
- Concerns have been raised regarding the road conditions on south Centennial Dr. The foreman has been adding fill to it to keep it drivable. Once the heavy machinery at the duplexes is finished the Village will bring in gravel and do permanent road repairs. Your patience's has been greatly appreciated.
- Safety concerns have been made about vehicles parking in front of the school during school hours. The Administrator is going to speak with the Principle to see what she would recommend and report back to council at the next council meeting.
- The Emergency Management and Fire Safety Branch of the Ministry of Government Relations are conducting emergency management courses and workshops for the leadership and/or emergency management. Council is interested in hosting the Basic Emergency Management Course on a weekend in October. The Administrator is going to email council, the first responder and volunteer fire department to see what weekend (preferably Friday and Saturday) would work best for the majority in October.
- The Administrator has touched base with all the developers regarding possible land exchange for the new recreation and usable green space east of the school. The Administrator is going to contact the Village's lawyer to get an agreement drawn up for the land exchange. Additionally, the Village and the Rec Board will work at getting the agreement with PVSD settled. Please see the next page for a preliminary concept plan of the proposed space.
- The Mayor and 2 members of the VFD met with the GTHA on July 7 to discuss the possibility to share fire services. Currently the Village does not have the capacity but possibly in the future.
- The Finance and Administration Committee of the Wascana Presbytery is recommending to the Presbytery that it approve the transfer of the Church to the Village of Grand Coulee as per the proposal set out in the MOU with certain conditions. The church board is going to try to counter the proposal. Date unknown as of yet.
- It is council's goal over the next few years to convert Municipal Reserve 2 (south west corner of town) into a park. The first step will be planting trees around the west and south ends of the parcel. The tentative date for this is first week in September. Additionally a water source will be installed prior to the trees going in.
- *The office will be closed August 16-23.*

***The next council meeting will be Tuesday, September 2, 2013 @ 7:30pm
at the United Church.***