

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, August 27, 2008**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Fort Vermilion, AB**

**PRESENT:**

Greg Newman	Reeve
Peter Braun	Councillor
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Ed Froese	Councillor
Bill Neufeld	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Stuart Watson	Councillor

**ABSENT:**

Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
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**ADMINISTRATION:**

William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
Ryan Becker	Director of Planning & Emergency Services
John Klassen	Director of Operations (South)
Dave Crichton	Director of Operations (North)
Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Susan McNeil, The Echo  
Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on August 27, 2008 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**1. a) Call to Order**

Reeve Newman called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

**AGENDA:**

**2. a) Adoption of Agenda**

**MOTION 08-08-589**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of:  
10. h) REDI Regional Needs Study

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF THE  
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- 3. a) Minutes of the August 12, 2008 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 08-08-590**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the August 12, 2008 Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

- 4. a) None**

**GENERAL REPORTS:**

- 6. a) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – July 24, 2008**

**MOTION 08-08-591**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of July 24, 2008 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- 7. a) None**

**TENDERS:**

- 8. a) Sale of Land in Zama**

No tenders were received.

**MOTION 08-08-592**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the sale of land in Zama be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE,  
CAO AND DIRECTORS  
REPORTS:**

- 9. a) None**

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

- 10. a) Premier Ed Stelmach – September 5, 2008 Visit**

**MOTION 08-08-593**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the County host the dinner with Premier Ed Stelmach on

September 5, 2008.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 08-08-594**

**MOVED by** Councillor Wardley

That the itinerary for the Premier's visit on September 5, 2008 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**10. b) Bylaw 679/08 Authorizing Imposition of a Local Improvement Tax for Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 102 & 103 Street and 93 Avenue from Plan 9620266, Block 1, Lots 2, 19, & 20; Plan 9623343, Block 2, Lots 4 - 10; and Plan 0124176, Block 3, Lots 1 – 9, & 21; Plan 0323561, Block 7, Lots 2, 3, 4 & 1MR in the Hamlet of La Crete**

**MOTION 08-08-595**

**MOVED by** Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 679/08 being a bylaw authorizing imposition of a local improvement tax for curb, gutter and sidewalk on 102 Street, 103 Street and 93 Avenue: Plan 9620266, Block 1, Lots 2, 19, & 20; Plan 9623343, Block 2, Lots 4 - 10; and Plan 0124176, Block 3, Lots 1 – 9, & 21; Plan 0323561, Block 7, Lots 2, 3, 4 & 1MR in the Hamlet of La Crete.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 08-08-596**

**MOVED by** Councillor Froese

That third reading be given to Bylaw 679/08 being a bylaw authorizing imposition of a local improvement tax for curb, gutter and sidewalk on 102 Street, 103 Street and 93 Avenue: Plan 9620266, Block 1, Lots 2, 19, & 20; Plan 9623343, Block 2, Lots 4 - 10; and Plan 0124176, Block 3, Lots 1 – 9, & 21; Plan 0323561, Block 7, Lots 2, 3, 4 & 1MR in the Hamlet of La Crete.

**CARRIED**

**10. c) La Crete Agricultural Society – Requests for Letters of Support**

**MOTION 08-08-597**

**MOVED by** Councillor Braun

That letters of support be sent to the La Crete Agricultural Society

for their funding applications for kitchen appliances and fencing.

**CARRIED**

**10. d) Disposing of Old Computer Equipment**

**MOTION 08-08-598**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That administration be authorized to offer the County old computer equipment to local non-profit and volunteer groups at no cost with the remaining equipment to be disposed through a local auction sale.

**CARRIED**

**10. e) Sale of Land by Public Auction**

**MOTION 08-08-599**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the reserve bids be set for the properties offered for sale at the 2008 assessment values.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 08-08-600**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the auction date be set for October 29, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. to be held in the Council Chambers at 4511 – 46 Ave, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

**CARRIED**

**10. f) Capital Projects Progress Report – August 2008**

**MOTION 08-08-601**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Capital Projects Progress Report be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 08-08-602**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That item 5. c) AI Stan – Delegation be added to the agenda

**CARRIED**

**10. g) Regional Partnership Initiative (REDI)**

**MOTION 08-08-603**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the financial report for the Regional Partnership Initiative be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. h) REDI Regional Needs & Benefits Study (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 08-08-604**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That Councillor Braun be authorized to sit on the REDI Regional Needs & Benefits Study.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. c) AI Stan (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 08-08-605**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the Subdivision Application from Blue Sky Alberta be forwarded to the Planning Department and the Municipal Planning Commission for review and recommendation to Council.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 5:06 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 5:22 p.m.

**MOTION 08-08-606**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That Dave Elias, Fort Vermilion School Division Transportation Supervisor, be added to the agenda as a delegation.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Zama Salt Storage Shed**

**MOTION 08-08-607**

Requires 2/3

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the 2008 Capital Budget be amended by adding the \$17,000 Zama salt shed repair project with funding coming from the General Operating Reserve.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 08-08-608**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That administration be authorized to engage UFA in the Zama salt shed repair project.

**CARRIED**

**11. b) Fort Vermilion Airport**

**MOTION 08-08-609**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the Fort Vermilion airport item be tabled.

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATIONS:**

**5. a) La Crete Community Library**

**MOTION 08-08-610**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the County host a meeting with the Mackenzie Library Board, Fort Vermilion School Division, and the La Crete Community Library to discuss their community library facility needs.

**CARRIED**

**5. d) Dave Elias**

Dave Elias, Transportation Supervisor, was in attendance to address the School Division's concerns regarding the proposed removal of the school zone at La Crete Public School.

**PLANNING,  
EMERGENCY, AND  
ENFORCEMENT  
SERVICES:**

**12. a) School Zone Bylaw 666/08**

**MOTION 08-08-611**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 666/08, being a Bylaw of Mackenzie County in the Province of Alberta for establishing school zones within Mackenzie County as amended:

- to include the school zone for the La Crete Public School
- change 3. a) school zone hours to anytime between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

**MOTION 08-08-612**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That motion 08-08-611 be amended to include the following additional change to Bylaw 666/08:

- Item 2. c) to include that portion of River Road from 45<sup>th</sup> Street to 53<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION 08-08-611**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 666/08, being a Bylaw of Mackenzie County in the Province of Alberta for establishing school zones within Mackenzie County as amended:

- to include the school zone for the La Crete Public School
- change 3. a) school zone hours to anytime between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Councillor J. Driedger requested a recorded vote.

In Favor:

Councillor Wardley  
Councillor Watson  
Councillor Toews  
Councillor Braun  
Councillor Froese  
Reeve Newman

Opposed:

Councillor Neufeld  
Councillor D. Driedger  
Councillor J. Driedger

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 08-08-613**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That second reading be given to Bylaw 666/08, being a Bylaw of Mackenzie County in the Province of Alberta for establishing school zones within Mackenzie County as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 08-08-614**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That consideration be given to go to third reading for Bylaw 666/08, being a Bylaw of Mackenzie County in the Province of Alberta for establishing school zones within Mackenzie County as amended, at this meeting.

**DEFEATED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 6:14 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

**5. b) MK Strategy Group**

Presentation by Monica Kohlhammer, President, and Breanne Dillabough from MK Strategy Group regarding the seniors lodge feasibility study.

**12. b) Municipal Accreditation**

**MOTION 08-08-615**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Mackenzie County Safety Codes Order of Accreditation, No. 78446-001, in all disciplines be terminated effective March 1, 2009.

**CARRIED**

**12. c) Electronic Concerns Records Management System**

**MOTION 08-08-616**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Council approve the use of the iWorQ Systems records management system as presented and authorizes administration to begin with the implementation.

**CARRIED**

**INFORMATION/  
CORRESPONDENCE:**

**13. a) Information/Correspondence Items**

**MOTION 08-08-617**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the information/correspondence items be accepted for information purposes.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**MOTION 08-08-618**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18

(1) at 7:51 p.m.

- 14. a) Personnel
- 14. b) Special Projects
- 14. c) Ambulance
- 14. d) Airports
- 14. e) Zama Fire Investigating
- 14. f) AIT Gravel Crushing Negotiations

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 08-08-619**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That Council move out of camera at 8:37 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**14. a) Personnel**

**MOTION 08-08-620**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the personnel update be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**14. b) Special Projects**

**MOTION 08-08-621**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That the special projects update be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**14. c) Ambulance**

**MOTION 08-08-622**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the ambulance update be received for information

**CARRIED**

**14. d) Airports**

**MOTION 08-08-623**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Zama helipad, La Crete and Fort Vermilion airstrip extensions be brought to the 2009 budget deliberations.

**CARRIED**

**14. e) Zama Fire Investigating**

**MOTION 08-08-624**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That a follow up meeting be set up with all concerned parties in the fire in Zama.

**CARRIED**

**14. f) AIT Gravel Crushing Negotiations**

**MOTION 08-08-625**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the AIT gravel crushing negotiations be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**15. a) Regular Council Meeting**

Regular Council Meeting  
Tuesday, September 9, 2008  
10:00 a.m.  
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**16. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 08-08-626**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved on Tuesday, September 9, 2008.

(signature on file)  
Greg Newman, Reeve

(signature on file)  
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant