

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MACKENZIE NO. 23
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, September 28, 2005
6:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve	
John W. Driedger	Councillor	
Lisa Wardley	Councillor	
Willy Neudorf	Councillor	
Peter Braun	Councillor	
Stuart Watson	Councillor	
Jim Thompson	Councillor	
Greg Newman	Councillor	<i>arrived 6:10 p.m.</i>
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve	<i>arrived 6:31 p.m.</i>
Ed Froese	Councillor	<i>arrived 7:01 p.m.</i>

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

Ray Coad	Chief Administrative Officer
Kristin McNeil	Acting Executive Assistant
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
Brenda Wiebe	Roads Supervisor
Eva Schmidt	Supervisor of Development
John Klassen	Utilities Supervisor

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 held on Wednesday, September, 28, 2005 in Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) **Call to Order**

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA 2. a) **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION 05-483 **MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the agenda be adopted as amended by adding:

- 5. a) Henry Wiebe –Fire Invoice
- 9. d) Graders

- 10. b Motion 05-294 bullying in communities
- 10. c) Telus Phone Service
- 11. i) Meeting with Assumption and Rainbow
- 12. c) Legal Matters
- 12. d) Personnel

CARRIED

Councillor Newman entered the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF
THE PREVIOUS
MINUTES:**

- 3. a) **Minutes of the September 13, 2005
Regular Council Meeting**

MOTION 05-484 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the September 13, 2005 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended by changing the source of funding on Motion 05-475 from *Emergency Services Reserves* to *Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program Funding*.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE
MINUTES:**

- 4. a)

DELEGATIONS: 5. a) **Henry Wiebe- Fire Invoice**

Reeve Nuefeld welcomed Mr. Wiebe to the table at 6:11 p.m.

Mr. Wiebe explained that he had a hay fire on a trailer while driving down the road. The La Crete fire department responded and spent 4.75 hours on scene. Insurance did not cover the trailer being towed behind his tractor; therefore Paul Driedger agreed to waive all but \$1000 of the fire invoice, as per MD Policy. He was directed to attend a Council meeting if he still was unable to pay the outstanding amount.

Reeve Neufeld thanked Mr. Wiebe for attending, and he left the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

MOTION 05-485
Requires Unanimous
Consent

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the issue with Henry Wiebe's fire invoice be tabled until more information is available.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6.

a) Bylaw 515/05 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Pt. SE 01-110-20-W5 from Agricultural District 1 to Direct Control District 3

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 515/05 to order at 6:14 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 515/05 was properly advertised. Eva Schmidt answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. Eva Schmidt presented the Development Authority's submission.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council had any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. Council asked for clarification on which part of the quarter was being rezoned.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to the proposed Bylaw 515/05. One submission was received, and Ms. Schmidt proceeded to read the submission from the Town of High Level.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed 515/05. There was none.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 515/05 at 6:17 p.m.

MOTION 05-486

Bylaw 515/05
Second Reading

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 515/05, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone SW 01-110-20-W5M from Agricultural District 1 to Direct Control District 3.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-487

Bylaw 515/05
Third Reading

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That third reading be given to Bylaw 515/05, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone SW 01-110-20-W5M from Agricultural District 1 to Direct Control District 3.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE AND
CAO REPORTS:**

7. a) Council Committee Reports

Councillor Driedger reported on Mackenzie Library Board, Regional Economic Development Initiative (REDI), La Crete Water Treatment Plant Grand Opening, and Library Board Budget meeting.

Councillor Neudorf reported on attending the Grand Opening of the La Crete Water Treatment Plant.

Councillor Wardley reported on Library Board and Zama Recreation Board.

Councillor Watson reported on Finance Committee.

Councillor Thompson reported on Finance Committee, and Fort Vermilion Recreation board meetings.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk entered the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Councillor Newman reported on Caribou Mountains Wildland Task Force.

Councillor Braun reported on Finance Committee, Mighty Peace Tourism Association, Assessment Appeal Board, and the La Crete Water Treatment Plant Grand Opening.

Reeve Neufeld reported on Finance Committee, Water Treatment Plant Grand Opening, and High Level Trade Show.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the La Crete Water Treatment Plant Grand Opening.

MOTION 05-488 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Council Committee reports be accepted for information.

CARRIED

6. b) CAO Report

The Chief Administrative Officer presented a written report.

MOTION 05-489 MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the written report submitted by the Chief Administrative Officer be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

The Director of Corporate Services presented a written report.

MOTION 05-490 MOVED by Councillor Peters

That Councillors be authorized to attend the *Duties and Responsibilities Workshop* and *Insurance Liability Seminar* in their area.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-491 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the written report submitted by the Director of Corporate Services be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

The Supervisor of Roads and Supervisor of Utilities jointly presented the Operational Services written report.

Councillor Froese entered the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

MOTION 05-492 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the written report presented by the Supervisor of Roads and Supervisor of Utilities be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 7:06 p.m.
Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

**GENERAL
REPORTS**

8. a) **Capital Projects 2005 Progress Report &
Year to Date Income Statement**

MOTION 05-493 MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the capital projects progress report and year to date operating income statement be received for information.

CARRIED

OPERATIONAL SERVICES

9. a) 2006 Road Construction Requests

MOTION 05-494 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the following road construction requests be considered in the 2006 budget:

<u>Access to:</u>	<u>Along RR or TWP</u>	<u>Distance</u>
NE 15-110-18 W5M	RR 18-2	0.5 Miles
S ½ 23-109-12 W5M	TWP 109-3	0.75 Miles
NW 23-109-12 W5M	TWP 109-4	0.75 Miles
NE 30-108-18 W5M	RR 18-5	0.5 Miles
SW 22-108-12 W5M	RR 12-3	0.5 Miles

CARRIED

9. b) New Deal for Cities and Communities Grant

MOTION 05-495 **MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

Project	Budgeted Amount	NCDC Grant	Other Funding	Source of Other Funding
TWP 109-0	\$39,000	\$35,413.60	\$3,586.40	Roads Reserve
Savage Prairie Road	\$78,000	\$35,413.60	\$42,586.40	Roads Reserve
FV 45 St & 100 Ave	\$161,648	\$53,120.40	\$108,527.60	Roads Reserve
LC 98 Ave Water	\$124,700	\$53,120.40	\$71,579.60	General Capital Reserve
TOTAL		\$177,068		

CARRIED

9. c) Sewer Line Extension in Fort Vermilion

MOTION 05-496 **MOVED** by Councillor Watson

Requires 2/3 Majority

That the Fort Vermilion sewer line extension and water line extension (lots 4 and 5) along 46th Street project be approved for \$76,000 with funding to come from the debenture process that will be recovered through Local Improvement over the next ten years.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-497

Bylaw 523/05

First Reading

Requires 2/3 majority

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That first reading be given to Bylaw 523/05, being a bylaw authorizing the imposition of a local improvement tax on all properties benefiting from the sanitary sewer line extension on 46th Street in Fort Vermilion, and water line extension on lots 4 and 5 on 46th Street in Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-498

Bylaw 524/05

Second Reading

Requires 2/3 majority

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That second reading be given to Bylaw 524/05, being a bylaw authorizing a debenture borrowing in the amount of \$76,000 to construct a sewer line extension on 46th Street in Fort Vermilion, and water line extension on lots 4 and 5 on 46th Street in Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

9. d) Contract Graders

Councillor Watson has received numerous calls from ratepayers regarding concern over the awarding of the grader contract in rural High Level. As per direction from legal council, the MD will be honoring the original two-year contract, and will review the contract requirements, particularly the restriction on age of graders, prior to the next tendering.

**PLANNING
AND ENFORCEMENT
SERVICES:**

10. a) Emergency Services Information Session

MOTION 05-499

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That correspondence on the Fire Services information Session in Peace River be received for information.

CARRIED

10. b) Motion 05-294 – Bullying in Communities

Councillor Thompson pointed out that this motion was not included on the Action List. It will be added.

10. c) Telus Phone Service

Councillor Thompson expressed concern over emergency services communications during times when phone service was down. Paul Driedger is investigating options for providing radios to emergency personnel, and for providing residents with all of the local emergency numbers for each community.

CORPORATE SERVICES:

11. a) Bylaw 518/05 – Penalties for non-payment of Taxes and tax arrears

MOTION 05-500
Bylaw 518/05
First Reading
Requires 2/3 majority

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That first reading be given to Bylaw 518/05 being a bylaw to establish penalties for the non-payment of taxes and tax arrears.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-501
Bylaw 518/05
Second Reading
Requires 2/3 majority

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That second reading be given to Bylaw 518/05 being a bylaw to establish penalties for the non-payment of taxes and tax arrears.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-502
Requires Unanimous
Consent

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That consideration be given to go to third reading for Bylaw 518/05, being a bylaw to establish penalties for the non-payment of taxes and tax arrears.

DEFEATED

11. b) Recreation Boards Capital Funding Policy ADM043 RES015 - Funding to community non-profit groups

MOTION 05-503

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That policy AMD043 be amended to include the following:

- 3% inflation rate shall be applied every year to the capital grant amount.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-504 MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That a \$200,000 annual limit be set for providing funding to other non-profit groups and organizations, with no less than \$20,000 annually allocated to a reserve for grant funding to non-profit groups and organizations.

CARRIED

MOTION 05-505 MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That a new reserve "Funding to Community Non-Profit Organizations" be established and RES015 policy be approved as presented.

CARRIED

11. c) **Regional Economic Development Partnership**

MOTION 05-506 MOVED by Councillor Braun

Requires 2/3 Majority

That the \$150,000 Regional Economic Development Initiative project be included in the 2005 Capital Budget.

CARRIED

11. d) **Budget Meeting Dates**

MOTION 05-507 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That November 8 and 9, December 2 and 3, 12, and 13 be approved as Special Council Meeting dates to discuss the 2006 budget.

CARRIED

11. e) **Finance Committee Terms of Reference**

MOTION 05-508 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Finance Committee Terms of Reference be amended allow for an additional member of Council; bringing the total to four (4).

CARRIED

MOTION 05-509 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Councillor Watson be appointed as a regular member to the Finance Committee.

CARRIED

Councillor Driedger abstained from discussion and voting on item 11. f)

11. f) Expense Claim Approval

MOTION 05-510 MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the expense claims for Councillor John W. Driedger be approved upon ratification by administration, and that Policy ADM026 be brought back for review.

CARRIED

11. g) Deh Cho Travel Connection Fall Meeting

MOTION 05-511 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Councillor Braun be authorized to attend the Deh Cho Travel Connection Fall Meeting in Grande Prairie on October 18-19, 2005.

CARRIED

11. h) Rainbow Lake Volunteer Appreciation Night & Arena Grand Opening

MOTION 05-512 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council be authorized to attend the Volunteer Appreciation Night and Arena Grand Opening in Rainbow Lake October 6, 2005.

CARRIED

11. i) Meeting with Rainbow Lake and Assumption

Discussion ensued on when to hold the meetings, and consensus was to attempt to schedule both meetings for the same day. The tentative date is set for October 21, 2005.

MOTION 05-513 MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That consideration be given to move in camera to discuss issues under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy*, Alberta Regulation 200/95 (9:30 p.m.)

CARRIED

**IN CAMERA
SESSION:**

- 12. a) **CAO Evaluation**
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation 18(b)
- 12. b) **Cost Sharing Agreement**
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation 18(c)
- 12. c) **Legal Matters**
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation 18(e)
- 12. d) **Personnel**
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation 18(b)

MOTION 05-514 MOVED by Councillor Newman

That Council come out of camera. (10:45 p.m.)

CARRIED

NEXT

MEETING DATE:

- 13. a) Tuesday, October 11, 2005
10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion

ADJOURNMENT:

- 14. a) **Adjournment**

MOTION 05-515 MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned (10:45 p.m.)

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted on the 11th day of October 2005.

"B. Neufeld" (signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

"C. Woodward" (Signature on file)
Christine Woodward, Executive Assistant