

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

**Wednesday, August 31, 2005**

**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
Ed Froese	Councillor
Jim Thompson	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve ( <i>arrived 6:05 p.m.</i> )
Greg Newman	Councillor ( <i>arrived 6:11 p.m.</i> )

**ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Ray Coad	Chief Administrative Officer
Kristin McNeil	Acting Executive Assistant
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
Paul Driedger	Director of Planning and Emergency Services and Acting Director of Operational Services

19 members of the public

2 members of the media

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 held on Wednesday, August 31, 2005 in Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld passed around a card that was received from the Minister of Municipal Affairs, and opened the gift that was presented to Reeve and Council in celebration of Alberta's Centennial.

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

**MOTION 05-402**      **MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

That the agenda be adopted as amended by:

- Deleting      10.      b) Bylaw 516/05  
and  
Adding      10.      f) Rezoning North of High Level  
                  12.      b) Letter Regarding High Level Medical Clinic  
                  12.      c) Contract Graders

**CARRIED**

Walter Sarapuk entered the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3.      a)      **Minutes of the July 27, 2005 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 05-403**      **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the July 27, 2005 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4.      a)      There were no items under this heading.

**DELEGATIONS:**

5.      a)

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND CAO REPORTS:**

7.      a)      **Council Committee Reports**

Councillor Froese reported on Zone meeting in Peace River and the Council retreat at Lily Lake.

Councillor Braun reported on the La Crete Building Task Force meeting, Zone Meeting, Cost Sharing meeting, Finance Committee meeting, and the Council Retreat.

Councillor Thompson reported on Cost Sharing, Finance Committee, Council Retreat, and Recreation Board meeting.

Councillor Watson reported on Cost sharing meeting with the Town of High Level, Council Retreat, and Finance committee meeting. Councillor Wardley reported on the Council Retreat, MD Library Board, and Recreation Board meeting

Councillor Newman entered the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Councillor Neudorf reported on Zone meeting, Agricultural Land Task Force meeting, Agricultural Service Board meeting, and Council Retreat.

Councillor Driedger reported on La Crete Building Task Force meeting, Zone meeting, Mackenzie Library Board, and Northern Alberta Development Council.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on SDAB hearing, Agricultural land Task Force meeting, and the Council Retreat.

Reeve Neufeld reported on Medical Clinic meeting, AAMD&C/AUMA Aboriginal Issues Committee, Finance Committee, Council Retreat, meeting with Premier Klein, Mayor's & Reeve's meeting, and Zone meeting.

Councillor Newman reported on the Agricultural Service Board meeting and La Crete Building Task Force meeting.

**MOTION 05- 404    MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Council Committee reports be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

6.    b)    **CAO Report**

**MOTION 05- 405    MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

That the CAO report be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05-406    MOVED** by Councillor Thompson

That the Director's report for Operational Services be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05-407    MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the Director's report for Planning, Emergency, and Enforcement Services be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05- 408    MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Director's report for Corporate Services be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC**

**HEARINGS: 6.**

**a)    Bylaw 506/05 – Land Municipal Parks Bylaw**

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 506/05 to order at 6:34 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 506/05 was properly advertised. Paul Driedger 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. Paul Driedger presented the Development Authority's submission.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council had any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment.

Councillor Thompson clarified that Bridge Campsite is not under MD jurisdiction, but rather the FV Recreation Board.

Councillor Thompson questioned how the fish population would be managed with increased activity. Caretaker is present.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk clarified that the 14 day maximum stay does not apply to Wadlin Lake.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to the proposed Bylaw 506/05. Paul Driedger responded that there were two submissions received, one from Fish and Wildlife and one from Forestry. Paul Driedger proceeded to read the two submissions.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed 506/05.

1 member of the public spoke in favor of cabin development at Wadlin Lake.

3 members of the public expressed the following concerns and voiced questions:

- How will the catch limits be policed?
- Will Fish and Wildlife be able to police, as they are already short-handed?
- Disappointing to hear that the pelicans are no longer nesting. Users were not respecting the buffer for nesting grounds, and now they are gone. More users will just intensify the problem with the environment.

- With seasonal camping stalls, the number of users will increase. Can the lake sustain that angling pressure?
- Does the campground have a holding tank for sewage?

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 506/05 at 7:03 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk requested that this bylaw be brought back for Council review after one year.

**MOTION 05- 409**

Bylaw 506/05

Second Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 506/05 as amended, being a bylaw to govern Municipal Parks.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05- 410**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That investigation on amending the Recreational Lease we hold with Sustainable Resource Development be pursued.

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION 05-411**

**MOVED** Councillor Newman

That the Waterfront Cottage Development be pursued by the MD of Mackenzie.

**CARRIED**

7.     **b)     Bylaw 513/05 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment  
              Rezone Pt. SW 13-106-15 W5 from Agricultural  
              District 1 to Rural Country Residential District 4**

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 513/05 to order at 7:12 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 513/05 was properly advertised. Paul Driedger 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. Paul Driedger presented the Development Authority's submission.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council had any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. There were none.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to the proposed Bylaw 513/05. No submissions were received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards of the proposed 513/05.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 513/05 at 7:21 p.m.

**MOTION 05- 412**

Bylaw 513/05  
Second Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

That second reading be given to Bylaw 513/05, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of SW 13-106-15-W5 from Agricultural District 1 to Rural Country Residential District 4.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05- 413**

Bylaw 513/05  
Third Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That third reading be given to Bylaw 513/05, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of SW 13-106-15-W5 from Agricultural District 1 to Rural Country Residential District 4.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 7:22 p.m.  
Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

**GENERAL  
REPORTS**

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

**MOTION 05-414**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the capital projects 2005 progress report and year to date operating income statement be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES**

9. a) **Policy PW023 – Rural Road Specification**

**MOTION 05-415**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Policy PW023 – Rural Road Specifications be amended and adopted as presented and attached.

**CARRIED**

9. b) **Fort Vermilion Street Improvement Projects Budget**

**MOTION 05-416** **MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf  
 Requires 2/3 Majority

That the 2005 Capital Budget be amended as follows:

Project	Approved Budget 2005	Additional Funding Required	Amended 2005 Budget	Source of Additional Funding
45 Street 6-32-30-43	\$381,597	\$56,000	\$438,197	Roads Reserve
50 Street 6-32-30-41	\$301,773	\$19,600	\$321,373	Roads Reserve

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**CARRIED**

**9. c) Tire Marshalling Area at Waste Transfer Stations**

**MOTION 05-417** **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That a proposal be submitted to Tire Recycling Alberta for the construction of a tire marshalling area at the Zama Waste Transfer Station at a cost not to exceed the grant funding.

**CARRIED**

**9. d) Highway 697 & 88 Connector Intersection**

**MOTION 05- 418** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

The Highway 697 & 88 Connector Intersection project be deferred to the 2006 budget.

**CARRIED**

**9. e) La Crete Walking Trails**

**MOTION 05-419** **MOVED** by Councillor Thompson

That the update on the La Crete Walking Trails be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**SERVICES:**

10. a) **Bylaw 515/05 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment  
Rezone Pt. SE 01-110-20-W5M  
From Agricultural District 1 to Direct Control District 3**

**MOTION 05-420**

Bylaw 515/05  
First Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 515/05, being a land use bylaw amendment to rezone part of SE 01-110-20-W5M from agricultural district 1 to direct control district 3.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 8:12 p.m.  
Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

10. d) **Husky Oil Enforcement Services**

**MOTION 05-421**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the fine revenue received from the Husky Oil Enforcement Services contract be forwarded to Rainbow Lake Community groups selected by Husky Oil.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05-422**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

That a contract be entered into with Husky Energy for enforcement services on their License of Occupation; and, that Husky Energy be charged for all costs associated with the contract including a 20% administration fee.

**CARRIED**

10. d) **Regional Safety Services Commission**

**MOTION 05-423**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Municipal District of Mackenzie apply for a Commission in conjunction with the Town of Rainbow Lake for the provision of Regional Safety Services.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05-424**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf



That Councillor Wardley and Councillor Braun be appointed as Directors of the Commission and Deputy Reeve Sarapuk and Councillor Driedger be appointed as alternate Directors of the Commission.

**CARRIED**

**10. e) Emergency Management Course**

Paul Driedger will set a date for the Emergency Management Course and notify Council.

**10. f) Rezoning North of High Level**

A general discussion ensued. The issue will be pursued by administration and the Inter-municipal Development Plan committee, and an update will be brought back to the next Council meeting.

Councillor Thompson left the meeting at 8:35 p.m.  
Councillor Thompson entered the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

**CORPORATE SERVICES:**

**11. a) Financial Policy FIN024 – Electronic Signatures**

**MOTION 05-425** **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Policy FIN024 be approved as presented, and attached.

**CARRIED**

**11. b) Water/Sewer Rates**

**MOTION 05-426** **MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

That the water/sewer rate be reviewed during 2006 budget preparation; and, that as part of the long-term plans, the current water/wastewater system infrastructure be reviewed and the long-range capital asset replacement schedule for the MD's water/wastewater systems be implemented.

**CARRIED**

**11. c) Sewer Distribution Upgrades**

**MOTION 05-427**     **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley  
 Requires 2/3 Majority

That the 2005 capital budget be amended to include additional \$198,767 funding from General Capital Reserve:

Project	Approved 2005 Budget	Additional Funding required – from <b>General Capital Reserve</b>	Amended 2005 Budget
6-42-40-06 Mobile Park Sewer	\$70,000	\$41,067	\$111,067
6-41-40-07 Mobile Park Water	25,000	0	25,000
6-42-40-05 98 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Sewer	370,000	32,400	402,400
6-42-40-09 105 Ave. Sewer	42,000	600	42,600
98 Ave. Water		124,700	124,700
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$507,000</b>	<b>\$198,767</b>	<b>\$705,767</b>

**CARRIED**

11.    d)     **Write-off Tax Arrears on Tax Forfeiture Property**

**MOTION 05-428**     **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley  
 Requires 2/3 Majority

That arrears for tax roll 106138 in the amount of \$16,438.77 be written off as per section 180(1) of the Municipal Government Act.

**CARRIED**

11.    e)     **Correspondence from La Crete Community Members**

**MOTION 05-429**     **MOVED** by Councillor Thompson

That a response be sent to the La Crete Community members advising that the Municipal District will be examining existing infrastructure needs under the guidelines set by the province; and any new or additional projects will be assessed according to the available funds and priority.

**CARRIED**

11.    f)     **Fort Vermilion Recreation Board – Bridge Campsite**

**MOTION 05-430      MOVED** by Councillor Thompson

That a letter be written to the Fort Vermilion Recreation Board advising that the Municipal District of Mackenzie will not be providing funding for the maintenance of the Bridge Campsite at this time; furthermore, that they should procure the necessary funding for the Provincial Government.

**CARRIED**

11.    g)    **Mackenzie Municipal Library Board**

**MOTION 05-431      MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Wally Schroeder be appointed to the Mackenzie Municipal Library Board in the vacant position for the balance of the term expiring September 30, 2007.

**CARRIED**

11.    h)    **Refund of Subdivision & Development Fees**

**MOTION 05-432      MOVED** by Councillor Driedger.

That a refund of \$250.00 be given to Mr. Dyck, and the bylaw be reviewed and brought back to Council.

**CARRIED**

10.    e)    **High Level Trade Show Opening Ceremony**

**MOTION 05-433      MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Reeve Neufeld or designate be authorized to attend the Opening Ceremonies for the High Level & District Trade Show September 16, 2005 in High Level.

**CARRIED**

10.    g)    **Northwest Corridor Development Corporation  
Conference and Annual General Meeting**

**MOTION 05-434      MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Reeve Neufeld or designate be authorized to attend the Northwest Corridor Development Corporation Conference and Annual General Meeting in Jasper October 12-14, 2005.

**CARRIED**

10.    h)      **AAMD&C Fall Convention**

**MOTION 05-435      MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

That Council be authorized to attend the AAMD&C Fall Convention in Edmonton November 14-17, 2005.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 05-436      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 (9:36 p.m.)

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 9:36 p.m.  
Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

**IN CAMERA  
SESSION:**

12.    b)      **Letter re: Medical Clinic**  
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation 18(e)

12.    a)      **Cost Sharing Agreement**  
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation 18(e)

12.    c)      **Contract Graders**  
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation 18(e)

**MOTION 05-437      MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Council come out of camera. (10:55 p.m.)

**CARRIED**

**NEXT**

**MEETING DATE:** 13. a) Tuesday, September 13, 2005  
10:00 a.m.  
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion

**ADJOURNMENT:** 14. a) **Adjournment**

**MOTION 05-438** **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned (10:55 p.m.)

**CARRIED**

These minutes were adopted on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 2005.

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

"K. McNeil" (signature on file)  
Kristin McNeil, Acting Executive Assistant