

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
BUDGET COUNCIL MEETING**

**November 22, 2016
10:00 a.m.**

**Fort Vermilion Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, AB**

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Lisa Wardley	Deputy Reeve
Jacque Bateman	Councillor
Peter F. Braun	Councillor
Elmer Derksen	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor (arrived at 10:02 a.m.)
Eric Jorgensen	Councillor (arrived at 10:11 a.m.)
Josh Knelsen	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor

REGRETS:

ADMINISTRATION:

Len Racher	Chief Administrative Officer
Peng Tian	Director of Finance
Ron Pelensky	Director of Community Services
David Fehr	Director of Operations
Byron Peters	Director of Planning & Development
Fred Wiebe	Director of Utilities
Grant Smith	Agriculture Fieldman
Carol Gabriel	Director of Legislative & Support Services/Recording Secretary
Louise Flooren	Acting Finance Controller/HR Coordinator
Jessica Ruskowsky	Executive Assistant to the CAO

ALSO PRESENT: None

Minutes of the Special Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on November 22, 2016 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Councillor Driedger arrived at 10:02 a.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 16-11-857

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**MINUTES FROM
PREVIOUS MEETING:**

3. a) None

DELEGATIONS:

4. a) None

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

5. a) None

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) None

TENDERS:

7. a) None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8. a) None

ADMINISTRATION:

9. a) None

AGRICULTURE:

10. a) None

**COMMUNITY
SERVICES:**

11. a) None

FINANCE:

12. a) **Draft 2017 Operating & Capital Budget**

Peng Tian and Louise Flooren reviewed the changes to the operating budget following the November 1, 2016 Budget Council Meeting. Changes are highlighted on page 16 of the package.

Councillor Jorgensen arrived at 10:11 a.m.

Peng Tian and Louise Flooren reviewed the cash requirement as listed on page 23 of the package.

Discussion was held regarding capital funding required and grant funding available.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Council reviewed the carry-forward projects as listed on page 32 – 40 of the package.

MOTION 16-11-858

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council support changing the grant application from the Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership to the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund for the Zama Lift Station Upgrade project.

CARRIED

Council continued to review the carry-forward projects as listed on page 32 – 40 of the package.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

Council reviewed and prioritized the 2017 Tangible Capital Asset (TCA) projects as listed on page 42 – 44 of the package on a consensus basis.

Bring back a separate discussion regarding a fire hall construction reserve.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 1:52 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

Council continued to review and prioritize the 2017 Tangible Capital Asset (TCA) projects as listed on page 42 – 44 of the package.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:20 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:32 p.m.

Council continued to review and prioritize the 2017 Tangible Capital Asset (TCA) projects as listed on page 42 – 44 of the package.

OPERATIONS:

13. a) None

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT:**

14. a) None

UTILITIES:

15. a) None

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

16. a) None

IN CAMERA SESSION: 17. b) None

NOTICE OF MOTION: 18. a) None

NEXT MEETING DATE: 19. a) Next Meeting Date

Budget Council Meeting
Monday, December 12, 2016
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: 20. a) Adjournment

MOTION 16-11- **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Budget Council meeting be adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved by Council on November 23, 2016.

(original signed)

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

(original signed)

Len Racher
Chief Administrative Officer

