

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

**Tuesday, January 13, 2004  
10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers, Municipal District of Mackenzie Office  
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	Bill Neufeld	Reeve
	Betty Bateman	Councillor
	John W. Driedger	Councillor (Arrived 10:05 a.m.)
	Pat Kulscar	Councillor
	Greg Newman	Councillor
	Willie Wieler	Councillor (Arrived 10:06 a.m.)
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	Odell Flett	Councillor
	Wayne Thiessen	Councillor

<b><u>ABSENT:</u></b>	Joe Peters	Councillor
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<b><u>ALSO PRESENT:</u></b>	Harvey Prockiw	Chief Administrative Officer
	Barb Spurgeon	Executive Assistant
	Bill Landiuk	Director of Corporate Services
	Eva Schmidt	Senior Development Officer

Minutes of the regular Council meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 held on Tuesday, January 13, 2004 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District of Mackenzie office, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda**

**MOTION 04-001 MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

- 14. b) Next meeting dates
- 12. l) Chinchaga Endangered Forest
- 12. m) Fort Vermilion Recreational Board and  
Fort Vermilion Development Task Force

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF  
THE PREVIOUS  
MINUTES:**

**3. a) Minutes of the December 9, 2003  
Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 04-002 MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That the minutes of the December 9, 2003 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)**

There were no items under this heading.

**PUBLIC  
HEARINGS:**

**6. a)**

There were no items under this heading.

**COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE AND  
CAO REPORTS:**

**7. a) Council Committee Reports**

Councillors provided verbal reports on meetings attended since previous reporting.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the May/Horner Celebration and the Finance Committee.

Councillor Driedger reported on the Mackenzie Housing Management Board.

Councillor Wieler reported no meetings

Councillor Bateman reported no meetings

Councillor Flett reported on the May/Horner Celebration.

Councillor Newman reported on the Agricultural Land Task Force.

Councillor Kulscar reported on the Finance Committee.

Councillor Thiessen reported on Agricultural Land Task Force and the Hay-Zama Wildland Park.

Reeve Neufeld reported on the May/Horner Celebration and the Hay-Zama Wildland Park.

**MOTION 04-003**      **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Council Committee verbal reports be received as information.

**CARRIED**

7.      b)      **CAO Report**

**MOTION 04-004**      **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

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

**CARRIED**

**GENERAL  
REPORTS:**

8.      a)      **Action List on Council Motions**

**MOTION 04-005**      **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Action List be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**AGRICULTURAL  
SERVICES:**

9.      a)

There were no items under this heading.

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

10. a) **Bylaw 371/03 – Water Rationing**

**MOTION 04-006** **MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar that third reading of Bylaw 371/03 being a bylaw respecting the Rationing of Water be tabled.

**CARRIED**

10. b) **BF78212 (Heliport Road Bridge)**

**MOTION 04-007** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the update regarding BF78212 (Heliport Road Bridge) be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

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

11. a) **Urban Water and Sewer infrastructure Installation**

**MOTION 04-008** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the installation of urban water and sewer infrastructure issue be referred to the Development Task force for recommendations.

**CARRIED**

11. b) **Policy DEV001 – Urban Development Standards**

**MOTION 04-009** **MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That Policy DEV001, Urban Development Standards, be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

**11. c) Regional Hazardous Materials Unit**

**MOTION 04-010** **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger  
Requires 2/3 Majority

That the capital budget be amended by adding the following project:

Project: Contribution towards Hazardous Materials Unit  
Amount: to a maximum of \$10,000 and on a 50% cost  
sharing basis with the Town of High Level  
Funding From: Emergency Services Reserve 04-765-23

**CARRIED**

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

**12. a) Establishment of Gravel Crushing Reserve**

**MOTION 04-011** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That Gravel Crushing reserve RESV14 (code 4-32-720) be established.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 04-012** **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk  
Requires 2/3 Majority

That 2003 unspent gravel program funds including the approved overage for West La Crete and Tompkins pits crushing to be carried over to 2004 and placed into Gravel Crushing reserve RESV14 (code 4-32-720) in order to complete 2003 gravel crush program at both pits.

**CARRIED**

**12. b) Water Sewer Rates Calculations Review**

**MOTION 04-013** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Administration provides a feasibility report on the cost of installing card-lock systems at all water points.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 04-014      MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the issue of treated water rates pertaining to urban and rural water be received as information.

Councillor Newman requested a recorded vote on Motion 04-014.

**CARRIED**

In Favor: Councillor Wieler, Councillor Kulscar, Reeve Neufeld, Councillor Driedger, and Councillor Thiessen

Opposed: Councillor Bateman, Councillor Newman, Councillor Flett, and Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

12.    c)    **Edmonton City Center Airport**

**MOTION 04-015      MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

**WHEREAS** the government of Alberta's primary strategies in achieving early access to health care is to establish the most up-to-date and specialized facilities in major centers like Edmonton and Calgary to serve all Albertans; and

**WHEREAS** the great majority of Albertans are living less than two hours of so from these centers; and

**WHEREAS** flying into the Edmonton City Center Airport allows less than two hour access from places like High Level to these important health care facilities, especially for those needing to see specialists or access such specialized care on outpatient bases; and for those visiting sick loved ones, and wishing to return home the same day; and

**WHEREAS** older people and those with children need washrooms in order to travel by air; and

**WHEREAS** the smallest aircraft with washrooms are 19 seat aircraft, which are also the most economically viable means of air transportation in the north when allowed to operate at full capacity; and

**WHEREAS** landing at the Edmonton International Airport adds unreasonable time and expense to access important health facilities for northerners; and

**WHEREAS** the extra expense at the time may cause people needing these specialized care services to wait until their ailment becomes an emergency;

**NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED** that the Council of the Municipal District of Mackenzie strongly urges the Alberta Government to use their authority to declare that 19 seat aircraft, carrying 19 passengers, landing at the Edmonton City Center Airport from Northern regions of Alberta is necessary to guarantee the universality of our health system.

**CARRIED**

12. d) **Assessment Review Board**

**MOTION 04-016** **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Brad Tourangeau be appointed to the Assessment Review Board as the alternate member at large.

**CARRIED**

12. e) **Water Front Cottage Development Proposal**

**MOTION 04-017** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That Tom Baldwin be invited to facilitate the joint meetings on water front cottage development.

**CARRIED**

12. f) **Joint Meeting of Northern Alberta Mayor's Caucus and Reeves**

**MOTION 04-018** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That Reeve Neufeld be authorized to attend the Joint Northern Alberta Mayor's Caucus and Reeves being held June 18, 2004 in Edmonton.

**CARRIED**

12. g) **Fall 2003 Convention Evaluation**

**MOTION 03-019** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the evaluation for the AAMD&C Fall Convention be completed and submitted.

**CARRIED**

12. h) **MD Brochure**

**MOTION 04-020** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the MD Brochure be received as information.

**CARRIED**

12. i) **Northern Exposure Tourism Conference**

**MOTION 04-021** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That Councillor Kulscar be authorized to attend the Northern Exposure Tourism Conference in Grande Prairie on February 25-27, 2004.

**CARRIED**

12. j) **Winterfest 2004**

**MOTION 04-022** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the correspondence on Winterfest 2004 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

12. k) **Sunday Hunting**

**MOTION 04-023** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That correspondence be sent to Alberta Sustainable Resource Development supporting Sunday hunting.

Councillor Bateman requested a recorded vote on Motion 04-023.

**CARRIED**

In favor: Deputy Reeve Sarapuk, Councillor Wieler, Councillor Bateman, Councillor Flett, Councillor Newman, Councillor Thiessen



Opposed: Councillor Kulscar, Councillor Driedger, and Reeve Neufeld

12. l) **Chinchaga Parkland**

**MOTION 04-024** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the letter from Gene Zwodesky, Minister of Sustainable Resource development be received for information.

**CARRIED**

12. m) **Fort Vermilion Recreation Board and Development Task Force**

Councillor Newman resigned from the Fort Vermilion Recreation Board and the Fort Vermilion Development Task Force.

**MOTION 04-025** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Councillor Flett be appointed to the Fort Vermilion Recreation Board and the Fort Vermilion Development Task Force.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Bateman resigned from the Mackenzie Library Board.

**MOTION 04-026** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Councillor Flett be appointed to the Mackenzie Library Board.

**CARRIED**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

14. a) **Regular Council Meeting**  
Tuesday, January 27, 2004  
6:00 p.m.  
MD Council Chambers – Fort Vermilion

b) **RCMP Meeting** – Friday January 16, 2004

**Motion 04-027** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Councillor Flett attend the meetings scheduled with the RCMP on January 15 and 16, 2004.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 04-028**      **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That consideration be given to move in camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy, Alberta Regulation 200/95. (12:15 p.m.)

**CARRIED**

**IN-CAMERA**

a)      **Ratification of Collective Agreement**

b)      **Cost of Living and Benefit Increases**

**Motion 04-029**      **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That Council come out of camera. (12:45 p.m.).

**CARRIED**

**Motion 04-030**      **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the Collective Agreement between the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 and the Alberta Union of Public Employees be ratified for the term of January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2006.

**CARRIED**

**Motion 04-031**      **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That Cost of Living and benefit increases for non-union employees follow the Collective Agreement.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:** 15.      a)      **Adjournment**

**MOTION 04-032**      **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned (12:46 p.m.)

**CARRIED**

These minutes were adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of, January 2004.

"B. Neufled" (signed)  
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

"B. Spurgeon" (signed)  
Barbara Spurgeon,  
Executive Assistant