

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, December 13, 2016
10:00 a.m.**

**Fort Vermilion Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT: Bill Neufeld Reeve
Lisa Wardley Deputy Reeve
Jacquie Bateman Councillor
Peter F. Braun Councillor
Elmer Derksen Councillor
John W. Driedger Councillor
Eric Jorgensen Councillor
Walter Sarapuk Councillor
Ray Toews Councillor

REGRETS: Josh Knelsen Councillor

ADMINISTRATION: Len Racher Chief Administrative Officer
Ron Pelensky Director of Community Services
David Fehr Director of Operations
Byron Peters Director of Planning & Development
Fred Wiebe Director of Utilities
Peng Tian Director of Finance
Carol Gabriel Director of Legislative & Support
Services/Recording Secretary
Jessica Ruskowsky Executive Assistant to the CAO

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the Public and the Media

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on December 13, 2016 in the Fort Vermilion Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

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

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 16-12-898 MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the agenda be approved with the following additions:

- 6. a) CAO Report
- 9. c) Aquality Environmental Consulting Ltd. Open House

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- 3. a) Minutes of the November 23, 2016, Regular Council Meeting**

MOTION 16-12-899

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the minutes of the November 23, 2016, Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

- 3. b) Minutes of the December 12, 2016, Budget Council Meeting**

MOTION 16-12-900

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the December 12, 2016, Budget Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

UTILITIES:

- 15. b) Potable Water**

MOTION 16-12-901

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That a letter be sent to Alberta Transportation and Solicitor General requesting that potable water haulers be exempt from legal axle weights as an essential service and for the interim be eligible to apply for an overload permit.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

- 5. a) Council Committee Reports**

MOTION 16-12-902

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Council committee reports be received for information.

CARRIED

5. b) Community Services Committee Meeting Minutes

MOTION 16-12-903

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the unapproved minutes of the November 24, 2016 Community Services Committee Meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

5. c) Agricultural Service Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION 16-12-904

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the unapproved minutes of the December 2, 2016 Agricultural Service Board Meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) CAO Report

MOTION 16-12-905

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the CAO report for November 2016 be received for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 10:54 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

DELEGATIONS:

4. a) Arnold Viersen, MP – Peace River-Westlock (via Teleconference)

Discussion with MP Arnold Viersen regarding the species at risk impact.

TENDERS:

7. a) None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8. a) None

ADMINISTRATION:

9. a) G7G Railway Project – Letter of Support

MOTION 16-12-906

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That a letter of support be sent in support of the G7G Railway Project.

CARRIED

9. b) Caribou Update

MOTION 16-12-907

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That Mackenzie County proceed with applying for the Inter-municipal Collaboration grant for creating an Integrated Resource Management Plan in partnership with the County of Northern Lights and other northwest municipalities.

CARRIED

9. c) Aquality Environmental Consulting Ltd. Open House (ADDITION)

MOTION 16-12-908

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That Councillor Jorgensen be authorized to attend the Aquality Environmental Consulting Ltd. Open House on December 14, 2016 in Edmonton.

DEFEATED

AGRICULTURE SERVICES:

10. a) None

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

11. a) None

FINANCE:

12. a) Policy FIN028 Credit Card Use

MOTION 16-12-909

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That Policy FIN028 Credit Card Use be amended as presented.

CARRIED

12. b) Accredited Supportive Living Services (ASLS) – 2017 Property Tax Exemption Request

MOTION 16-12-910

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That Accredited Supportive Living Services be exempt from paying 6% of the 2017 property taxes for the office that they lease in La Crete.

CARRIED

12. c) Tax Recovery Matter – Winter Petroleum Ltd.

MOTION 16-12-911

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Mackenzie County continue to hold the assets seized from Winter Petroleum Ltd.

CARRIED

12. d) Insured Assets

MOTION 16-12-912

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the insured assets be TABLED until after lunch.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

4. b) RCMP (ADDITION)

S/Sgt. Bill Mooney and Cst. Dean Hull were present to introduce their newest member Cst. Kouyami to Council.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:54 p.m.

FINANCE:

12. d) Insured Assets

MOTION 16-12-913

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the insured assets be put back on the table.

CARRIED

MOTION 16-12-913

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That administration change equipment values as determined and to engage in an appraisal for buildings over \$100,000 as per amended list in 2017.

CARRIED

OPERATIONS:

13. a) Request to Tender – Zama City Vegetation Management

MOTION 16-12-914

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the tender be issued for the Zama City Vegetation Management project with a closing date of January 23, 2017.

CARRIED

13. b) Unit #2250 – Damaged 580 Case Backhoe

MOTION 16-12-915

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the County not purchase the salvage unit (Unit #2250 – damaged 580 Case Backhoe) from our insurance provider.

CARRIED

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT:**

14. a) Bylaw 1057-16 Amending Bylaw 1022-16 Service Road Closure

MOTION 16-12-916

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 1057-16 being a bylaw amending the road description in Bylaw 1022-16 as required by Alberta Land titles.

CARRIED

MOTION 16-12-917

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 1057-16 being a bylaw amending the road description in Bylaw 1022-16 as required by Alberta Land titles.

CARRIED

MOTION 16-12-918

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 1057-16 being a bylaw amending the road description in Bylaw 1022-16 as required by Alberta Land titles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 16-12-919

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That third reading be given to Bylaw 1057-16 being a bylaw amending the road description in Bylaw 1022-16 as required by

Alberta Land titles.

CARRIED

UTILITIES:

15. a) Fort Vermilion 50th Street – Water and Sewer Extension

MOTION 16-12-920
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That administration proceed with the water and sewer extension to the east of the college and church properties (future 49th street) and apply an off-site levy to the property owner to the east of these properties (Fort Vermilion Settlement, Range 3, Lot 8) for future development and that the budget be amended to include an additional \$16,000 with funding coming from the General Capital Reserve.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 1:50 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

INFORMATION:

16. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 16-12-921

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the information/correspondence items be received for information.

CARRIED

**IN-CAMERA
SESSION:**

17. In-Camera Session

MOTION 16-12-922

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 2:14 p.m.

17. a) Legal

- Legal File Summary

17. b) Labour

17. c) Land

- Sale of County Properties

CARRIED

MOTION 16-12-923

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That Council move out of camera at 3:30 p.m.

CARRIED

17. a) Legal – Legal File Summary

MOTION 16-12-924

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the legal file summary be received for information.

CARRIED

17. b) Land – Sale of County Properties

MOTION 16-12-925

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the sale of county properties be TABLED to the next meeting for more information.

CARRIED

MOTION 16-12-926

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the Caribou update be received for information.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION:

18. a) None

**NEXT MEETING
DATES:**

- 19.**
- a) Regular Council Meeting
Monday, January 9, 2017
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers
 - b) Committee of the Whole Meeting
Tuesday, January 10, 2017
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers
 - c) Budget Council Meeting
January 11, 2017
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: 20. a) Adjournment

MOTION 16-12-927 MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the council meeting be adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved by Council on January 9, 2017.

(original signed)

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

(original signed)

Len Racher
Chief Administrative Officer

