

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

**Seminar Room, Fort Vermilion School Division Central office  
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

**Thursday, November 9, 2000**

**PRESENT:**

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Frank Rosenberger	Deputy Reeve
Betty Bateman	Councillor
John Driedger	Councilor
Pat Kulscar	Councillor
Gregg Newman	Councillor
Joe Peters	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor
Wayne Thiessen	Councillor
Willie Wieler	Councillor

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Harvey Prockiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Paul Driedger	Director of Planning and Emergency Services
Bill Landiuk	Director of Corporate Services
Ivan Perich	Director of Operational Services
Twila Olson	Public Works Administrative Officer
Don St. Onge	Finance Officer
Marco Braat	Superintendent of Utilities

Minutes of the Special Council budget meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No.23, held on Thursday, November 9, 2000, in the Seminar Room of the Fort Vermilion School Division Central Office, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**1. A) Call to Order**

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**MOTION 00-658**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That Council go into in camera at 9:06 a.m. to discuss issues under Section 23 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 00-659**

**MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council come out of in camera at 9:41 a.m.

**CARRIED**

9:41 a.m.

**Break**

9:50 a.m.

**Reconvene**

**MOTION 00-660**                      **MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That administration be authorized to release the cost sharing offer to the Town of High Level and include it in the newsletter.

**CARRIED**

**BUDGET 2001**

**ITEM # 6**

**Grants**

Financial statements from organizations requesting grant funding were presented and added to the budget report.

The financial statements were postponed to the next Council budget meeting.

**ITEM # 10**

**Reserves**

Administration is to draft up policies regarding each reserve and bring back for review to an upcoming Council meeting.

**MOTION 00-661**

**MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That once the Zama access road is completed and fully funded that the balance from the Zama access road reserve be transferred to the general roads reserve.

**CARRIED**

**ITEM # 11**

**Debt**

Discussion took place regarding municipal debt limits.

**ITEM # 12**

**Frontage Rates**

Administration explained the types of frontage rates including past practice in the municipality and what administration recommends for the future.

The Development Task Force will bring recommendations back to Council regarding frontage rates.

10:52 a.m.

**Break**

11:00 a.m.

**Reconvene**

Councillor Kulscar spoke on behalf of Safehome (A Project of Northwest Alberta Resource Society). A suggestion was made that the Municipal District of Mackenzie No.23 donate a lot from the Hutch Lake development area, to the Safehome Society to auction at their annual benefit auction.

The Safehome Society should request to Council in writing as to their proposal for the auctioning of a lot at the Hutch Lake residential development.

**ITEM # 13**

**Emergency**

Administration explained the 25 year Emergency Equipment Replacement Schedule and its funding plan.

**MOTION 00-661**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the Capital Budget for the La Crete Rescue Unit be increased to \$160,000 and that funding will come from the emergency capital reserve.

**CARRIED**

12:01 p.m.

**Break**

12:52 p.m.

**Reconvene**, all of Council returned with the exception of Councillor Rosenberger

**MOTION 00-662**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the 2000 Capital Budget be amended by adding Blade and Sanding Units funded from the Vehicle Replacement Reserve in the amount of \$24,000.

**CARRIED**

1:07 p.m.

Councillor Rosenberger entered the meeting.

**MOTION 00-663**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That a skidsteer not be purchased at this time.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 00-664**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

To leave the \$30,000.00 in the Vehicle/Equipment 5 year capital plan for a Pull Type Pad Foot Packer, and that administration advertise for local packer contract services, including what areas the packer is needed and the amount of hours of work at each location for the next budget year. Should administration be unsuccessful in contracting the work out, then this item will be brought back to Council.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 00-665**

**MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That the Offset Mower Hitch be removed from the budget, but that the Flail Mower be approved in the 2001 Vehicle and Equipment Capital budget.

**CARRIED**

1:53 p.m.

**Break**

2:04 p.m.

**Reconvene**

**MOTION 00-666**

**MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That the budget meeting continue until 4:00 p.m.

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION 00-667**

**MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the budget meeting continue until 3:30 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Marco Braat was asked to bring back to Council information pertaining to the operation, maintenance and saving comparison costs between contracting out Hydro vacuum services or purchasing a Hydro vacuum.

Ivan Perich is to provide Council with a detailed report on the operations and maintenance of the Municipal owned airports and bring back to the next Council budget meeting.

Marco Braat was asked to bring an agenda item to Council pertaining to the operations of coin-machines at the water treatment plants.

**MOTION 00-668**

**MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the revenue sharing offer to the Town of Rainbow Lake be revised to \$400,000.00, plus an increase in assessment as recommended by the Revenue Sharing Task Force, plus \$20,000.00 for the ambulance shelter.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**1. A) Adjournment**

**MOTION 00-669**

**MOVED** by Councillor Peters

That the meeting be adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2000.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

\_\_\_\_\_  
Harvey Prockiw, CAO

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sandra Cross, Official Administrator