

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 11, 2017
10:00 a.m.**

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

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Lisa Wardley	Deputy Reeve
Jacque Bateman	Councillor
Peter F. Braun	Councillor
Elmer Derksen	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Eric Jorgensen	Councillor (arrived at 10:04 a.m.)
Josh Knelsen	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor

REGRETS:

ADMINISTRATION:

Len Racher	Chief Administrative Officer
Byron Peters	Director of Planning & Development
Doug Munn	Director of Community Services
Fred Wiebe	Director of Utilities
Karen Huff	Director of Finance
Dave Fehr	Director of Operations
Bill Kostiw	Intergovernmental Relations & Special Projects Coordinator
Grant Smith	Agricultural Fieldman
Carol Gabriel	Director of Legislative & Support Services/Recording Secretary

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the Public and the Media
Grade 6 Students – Blue Hills Community School & Hill Crest
Community School

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on April 11, 2017 in the
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Ms. Megan McKnight's grade six class from Hill Crest Community School and Mr. Jody Vey's grade six class from Blue Hills Community School were present to observe the Council meeting.

The students held an election for the position of Junior Reeve. Karen Froese was elected the Junior Reeve and took a seat next to the Reeve.

AGENDA:

2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 17-04-239

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the agenda be approved with the following additions or changes:

Move the Finance items to 11:00 a.m.

Move the Planning & Development items to 1:30 a.m.

13. b) Dust Control Applications

17. a) Legal – Capital Project Negotiations

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) Minutes of the March 29, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

Councillor Jorgensen arrived at 10:04 a.m.

MOTION 17-04-240

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the minutes of the March 29, 2017, Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

5. a) Council Committee Reports

MOTION 17-04-241

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Council committee reports be received for information.

CARRIED

5. b) Community Services Committee Meeting Minutes

MOTION 17-04-242 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the unapproved minutes of the March 27, 2017 Community Services Committee Meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

5. c) Land Stewardship Committee Meeting Minutes

MOTION 17-04-243 **MOVED** by Councillor Knelsen

That the Land Stewardship Committee meeting minutes of March 17, 2017 be received for information.

CARRIED

5. d) Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

MOTION 17-04-244 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Finance Committee unapproved meeting minutes of March 1, 2017 and March 27, 2017 be received for information.

CARRIED

GENERAL REPORTS: **6. a) CAO Report**

MOTION 17-04-245 **MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That the CAO report for March 2017 be received for information.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: **4. a) Grade 6 Students – Blue Hills Community School & Hill Crest Community School**

The grade six students were given an opportunity to present questions to Council.

1. How many people come to these meetings?
Councillors and administration. Some members of the public also attend.
2. How long have you been the Reeve?
Been on Council for 37 years.
3. When did all this start?

The Improvement District (ID) was formed in 1948.

4. Will there be a bigger gym in Blue Hills?
*That will depend on funding from the School Division.
Once a project is approved it could take a couple of years
to complete.*

5. What is the best part of being a Councillor?
*Making sure that our people and our industry are being
represented. Being thanked for doing something right.
Seeing a project completed.*

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

TENDERS:

7. a) Crack Filling – Request for Quotation

7. b) Line Painting – Request for Quotation

MOTION 17-04-246

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the Crack Filling - Request for Quotation submissions be opened.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-247

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Line Painting - Request for Quotation submissions be opened.

CARRIED

Quotations Received for Line Painting:

GRM Inc.	\$134,675.30
Marshall Lines	\$89,276.54
Lafrentz Road Markings	\$111,336.32
Triple A Striping	\$85,243.75
Line West Ltd.	\$70,296.15

MOTION 17-04-248

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the 2017 Line Painting contract be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder while staying within budget.

CARRIED

Quotations Received for Crack Filling:

Triple A Striping	\$99,202.55
829659 Alberta Ltd.	\$179,763.40
Marshall Lines	\$80,518.10

MOTION 17-04-249 **MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the 2017 Crack Filling contract be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder while staying within budget.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 8. a) None

ADMINISTRATION: 9. a) First Nations Consultation Session

MOTION 17-04-250 **MOVED** by Councillor Knelsen

That the First Nations Consultation Session in Edmonton on April 26, 2017 be received for information.

MOTION 17-04-251 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the First Nations Consultation Session in Edmonton on April 26, 2017 be TABLED to later in the meeting.

DEFEATED

MOTION 17-04-250 **MOVED** by Councillor Knelsen

That the First Nations Consultation Session in Edmonton on April 26, 2017 be received for information and that administration formulates a written submission for review by Council.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION: 9. b) Advertising

MOTION 17-04-252 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Wardley
Requires 2/3

That Mackenzie County purchases a print subscription to The Echo/Pioneer for each household and that the advertising budget be amended to include an additional \$13,000 with funding

coming from the General Operating Reserve.

CARRIED

FINANCE:

12. a) Bylaw 1064-17 2017 Tax Rate Bylaw

MOTION 17-04-253

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That first reading be given to Bylaw 1064-17 being the 2017 Tax Rate bylaw for Mackenzie County as AMENDED with last year's rates and minimum tax rates.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-254

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That administration bring back options for an additional sub-class under residential for lots too small to legally develop.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 11:59 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:32 p.m. with all members present with the exception of Councillor Toews and Councillor Jorgensen.

FINANCE:

12. b) Bylaw 1065-17 Tax Penalties Bylaw

MOTION 17-04-255

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 1065-17 being the tax penalties bylaw for Mackenzie County.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-256

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That second reading be given to Bylaw 1065-17 being the tax penalties bylaw for Mackenzie County.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-257

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 1065-17 being the tax penalties bylaw be TABLED to after item 12. C).

CARRIED

FINANCE:

12. c) Policy FIN032 Tax Penalty Notification

MOTION 17-04-258

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That Policy FIN032 Tax Penalty Notification be approved as presented.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-259

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That consideration to go to third reading of Bylaw 1065-17 be brought back onto the table.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-260

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 1065-17 being the tax penalties bylaw for Mackenzie County at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 17-04-261

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That third reading be given to Bylaw 1065-17 being the tax penalties bylaw for Mackenzie County as AMENDED to include reference to Policy FIN032 Tax Penalty Notification.

CARRIED

FINANCE:

12. d) Policy RESV08 Recreation and Parks Reserve

MOTION 17-04-262

MOVED by Councillor Knelsen

That Policy RESV08 Recreation and Parks Reserve be amended as presented.

CARRIED

FINANCE:

12. e) ATB US Dollar Savings Account Closure

MOTION 17-04-263

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That administration be authorized to close the US Dollar Sub-Account with ATB Financial and transfer the remaining amount of \$570.74 USD to the County's chequing account with ATB Financial.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION: 9. c) Tri-Council Meeting – Agenda Items

Councillor Toews rejoined the meeting at 12:54 p.m.

Councillor Jorgensen rejoined the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

MOTION 17-04-264 MOVED by Councillor Knelsen

That the following agenda items be added to the Tri-Council meeting agenda for May 3, 2017:

- Forestry (burners, power)
- Regional Utility Supply

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION: 9. d) FCM's Legal Defense Fund

MOTION 17-04-265 MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the voluntary invoice for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Legal Defense Fund be paid in the amount of \$263.89.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION: 9. e) Caribou Update

MOTION 17-04-266 MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the caribou update be received for information.

CARRIED

DELEGATION: 4. b) Danny Friesen – Variance Request for Layer Hen Barn

MOTION 17-04-267 MOVED by Councillor Knelsen

That the variance request by Danny Friesen and Tara Warkentin for the Confined Feed Operation for the layer hen barn (Permit

Number FA17001) be approved and that the maximum layers allowed be set at 12,000.

CARRIED

UTILITIES: 15. b) 01-SUB-17 Sewer Easement Request on Plan 142 5000, Block 5, Lot 2

DELEGATION: 4. c) James Rosenberger, James Rosenberger – 01-SUB-17 Sewer Easement Request on Plan 142 5000, Block 5, Lot 2

MOTION 17-04-268 **MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the sewer easement request on Plan 142 5000, Block 5, Lot 2 be approved as per Option 3a presented and the attached map.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 2:03 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:13 p.m. with all members present with the exception of Councillor Jorgensen.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: 14. a) Bylaw 1063-17 Partial Road Closure at Fort Vermilion Truck Fill Station Plan 112 0425, Block 2, Lot 1 (Fort Vermilion Rural)

MOTION 17-04-269 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 1063-17 being a Road Closure Bylaw to close a portion of Road Plan 3884PX for the purpose of consolidation, subject to public hearing input.

CARRIED

Councillor Jorgensen rejoined the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: 14. b) La Crete Community Streetscape Implementation Committee – La Crete Main Street Beautification

MOTION 17-04-270 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Wardley
Requires 2/3

That the \$18,227 from the La Crete Main Street Beautification be reallocated to the La Crete Streetscape Implementation Committee budget.

CARRIED

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT:**

14. c) Regional Safety Codes Discussion

MOTION 17-04-271

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That administration continue to attend the upcoming Regional Safety Code discussions to receive more information on this initiative.

CARRIED

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT:**

14. d) Fort Vermilion Airport Name Change and Fly In Event

MOTION 17-04-272

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That Mackenzie County supports the community of Fort Vermilion as they publically recognize the name change of Fort Vermilion Airport to Wop May Memorial Airport; by financially and voluntarily contributing towards this summer's re-naming event up to a maximum of \$6,000 with funding coming from the general operating budget.

CARRIED

**AGRICULTURE
SERVICES:**

10. a) Policy ASB013 Beaver Control

MOTION 17-04-273

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That Policy ASB013 Beaver Control be approved with the following amendments:

- Day Rate – up to a maximum of two days
- Travel - \$0.54 per km

CARRIED

**AGRICULTURE
SERVICES:**

10. b) Policy ASB014 Pest Control

MOTION 17-04-274

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Policy ASB014 Pest Control be amended as presented.

CARRIED

**AGRICULTURE
SERVICES:**

10. c) Policy ASB021 Weed Control

MOTION 17-04-275

MOVED by Councillor Knelsen

That Policy ASB021 Weed Control be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**COMMUNITY
SERVICES:**

11. a) Playground Equipment Tender

MOTION 17-04-276

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the \$50,000 Playground Expansion project at Knelsen Park be increased to \$95,000 in the 2017 Capital Budget, with \$45,000 in funding coming from a donation from Knelsen Sand & Gravel Ltd.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-277

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That Mackenzie County accepts the \$5,000 donation in kind from Knelsen Sand & Gravel Ltd. for the shelter project at Knelsen Park.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-278

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Community Services Committee be authorized to open the Playground Equipment Tenders, and bring a recommendation to Council for awarding.

CARRIED

OPERATIONS:

13. a) Sand & Salt Shelter – Fort Vermilion

MOTION 17-04-279

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the budget be amended to include an additional \$35,000 for the FV – Sand & Salt Shelter (CF) with funding coming from the General Capital Reserve for a total project budget of \$235,000.

CARRIED

OPERATIONS:

13. b) Dust Control Applications (ADDITION)

MOTION 17-04-280
Requires Unanimously

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That an additional \$25,000 be added to the dust control budget with funding coming from the General Operating Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 17-04-281

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That Policy PW009 Dust Control be brought back for review.

CARRIED

Councillor Jorgensen and Councillor Driedger stepped out of the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

UTILITIES:

15. a) Bylaw 1058-17 being a bylaw to Rescind Bylaw 904-13 – Local Improvement Bylaw – Water and Sewer Extension on 43 Avenue and a portion of 50 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion

MOTION 17-04-282

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That second reading be given to Bylaw 1058-17 being a bylaw to rescind Bylaw 904-13 - Local Improvement Bylaw – Water and Sewer Extension on 43 Avenue and a portion of 50 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-283

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That third reading be given to Bylaw 1058-17 being a bylaw to rescind Bylaw 904-13 - Local Improvement Bylaw – Water and Sewer Extension on 43 Avenue and a portion of 50 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

Councillor Driedger and Councillor Jorgensen rejoined the meeting at 2:57 p.m.

Councillor Knelsen stepped out of the meeting 2:57 p.m. and rejoined the meeting at 2:58 p.m.

INFORMATION: 16. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 17-04-284 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That the information/correspondence items be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-285 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That a delegation be sent to the Peace River Regional District on April 27, 2017 in Dawson Creek to discuss the species at risk in the Wood Buffalo Reserve and northern BC.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:23 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION: 17. In-Camera Session

MOTION 17-04-286 **MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 3:31 p.m.

- 17. a) Legal – Capital Projects Negotiations
- 17. a) Labour
- 17. a) Land

CARRIED

MOTION 17-04-287 **MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council move out of camera at 3:57 p.m.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION: 18. a) None

**NEXT MEETING DATES: 19. a) Committee of the Whole Meeting
April 25, 2017**

10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

- c) Regular Council Meeting**
April 26, 2017
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: 20. a) Adjournment

MOTION 17-04-288 MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the council meeting be adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved by Council on April 26, 2017.

(original signed)

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

(original signed)

Len Racher
Chief Administrative Officer

