

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
BUDGET COUNCIL MEETING**

**November 28, 2017  
10:00 a.m.**

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

**PRESENT:**

Peter F. Braun	Reeve
Lisa Wardley	Deputy Reeve
Jacque Bateman	Councillor
Cameron Cardinal	Councillor
David Driedger	Councillor
Eric Jorgensen	Councillor
Josh Knelsen	Councillor
Anthony Peters	Councillor
Ernest Peters	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor

**REGRETS:**

**ADMINISTRATION:**

Len Racher	Chief Administrative Officer
Byron Peters	Deputy CAO
David Fehr	Director of Operations
Doug Munn	Director of Community Services
Fred Wiebe	Director of Utilities
Karen Huff	Director of Finance
Carol Gabriel	Director of Legislative & Support Services/Recording Secretary
Don Roberts	Zama Site Manager
Grant Smith	Agriculture Fieldman

**ALSO PRESENT:** Members of the public.

Minutes of the Budget Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on November 28, 2017 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

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

Reeve Braun called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

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

**MOTION 17-11-854** **MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

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That the agenda be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES FROM  
PREVIOUS MEETING:**

3. 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  
SERVICES:**

10. a) **Reallocate Funding to Repair Mackenzie Applied  
Research Association Cold Storage Building**

**MOTION 17-11-855**

Requires 2/3

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That a Non-TCA project be created in 2017 to repaint the Mackenzie Applied Research Association cold storage building with funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 coming from the Operating Budget and that the project be carried forward to 2018.

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNITY  
SERVICES:**

11. a) None

**FINANCE:**

12. a) **Policy RESV13 Water/Sewer Infrastructure Reserve  
Policy RESV18 Rural Water Reserve**

**MOTION 17-11-856**

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That Policy RESV13 Water/Sewer Infrastructure Reserve be reinstated as amended and Policy RESV18 Rural Water Reserve be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 17-11-857**

**MOVED** by Councillor Knelsen

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Requires 2/3

That \$190,011 from RESV18 Rural Water Reserve be transferred to RESV13 Water/Sewer Infrastructure Reserve.

**DEFEATED**

**FINANCE:**

**12. b) Policy RESV020 Grants to Other Organization Reserve**

**MOTION 17-11-858**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Policy RESV020 Grants to Other Organizations Reserve be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**FINANCE:**

**12. c) WCB Coverage for Councillors**

**MOTION 17-11-859**

Requires 2/3

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Wardley

That Administration apply to Workers Compensation Board on behalf of Mackenzie County members of Council to include the council members under Mackenzie County's Workers Compensation Board coverage and that \$4,726 be added to the 2018 budget.

**CARRIED**

**FINANCE:**

**12. d) Buffalo Head Prairie Flood Control Project Funding**

**MOTION 17-11-860**

Requires 2/3

**MOVED** by Councillor Knelsen

That the budget be amended to include \$3,859,809 for the Buffalo Head Prairie Flood Control Project with funding coming from the Alberta Community Resiliency Program Grant, and that \$841,240 be returned to the Drainage Reserve.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Braun recessed the meeting at 11:01 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

**FINANCE:**

**12. e) Draft 2018 Operating & Capital Budget**

Review of significant budget changes in revenue and expenses for 2018. Refer to pages 32 – 37 of the package.

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Review of Water and Sewer Rates. Refer to pages 38 – 41 of the package.

Reeve Braun recessed the meeting at 12:01 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Review of the Statement of Operations and the Cash Flow Requirement. Refer to pages 42 – 44 of the package.

Review of the Non-TCA Carry Forward projects.

Review of the TCA Carry Forward projects.

Reeve Braun recessed the meeting at 1:44 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

Review of the TCA Carry Forward projects.

Reeve Braun recessed the meeting at 2:52 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

Review of 2018 proposed Non-TCA Projects.

Reeve Braun recessed the meeting at 3:55 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

**OPERATIONS:**

**13. a) None**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT:**

**14. a) None**

**UTILITIES:**

**15. a) La Crete Water Treatment Plant Reserve**

**MOTION 17-11-861**

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the La Crete Water Treatment Plant Sub-Reserve be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**INFORMATION/  
CORRESPONDENCE:**

**16. a) Information/Correspondence**

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**17. In-Camera**

**MOTION 17-11-862**

**MOVED** by Councillor Knelsen

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That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 4:20 p.m.

17. b) Labour

- Organizational Chart

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 17-11-863**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That Council move out of camera at 4:37 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION:**

**18. a) None**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**19. a) Next Meeting Date**

Regular Council Meeting  
Wednesday, November 29, 2017  
10:00 a.m.  
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

Budget Council Meeting  
Tuesday, December 5, 2017  
10:00 a.m.  
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

Budget Council Meeting  
Monday, December 11, 2017  
10:00 a.m.  
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**20. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 17-11-864**

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved by Council on November 29, 2017.

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Peter F. Braun  
Reeve

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Len Racher  
Chief Administrative Officer

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