MACKENZIE COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 27, 2010 4:00 p.m.

Council Chambers Fort Vermilion, Alberta

PRESENT: Greg Newman Reeve

Walter Sarapuk Deputy Reeve

Peter F. Braun Councillor (via teleconference)

Dicky Driedger
John W. Driedger
Ed Froese
Bill Neufeld
Ray Toews
Lisa Wardley
Stuart Watson
Councillor
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ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION: William (Bill) Kostiw Chief Administrative Officer

Joulia Whittleton Director of Corporate Services
John Klassen Director of Operations (South)
Dave Crichton Director of Operations (North)

Mary Jo Van Order Director of Planning & Development

Carol Gabriel Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on January 27, 2010 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Newman called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 10-01-055 MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

14. d) Fire Invoice #9631

11. b) Rail Review

10. n) REDI Forestry Study

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

3. a) Minutes of the January 12, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 10-01-056

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the January 27, 2010 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

4. a) None

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) None

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes – November 25, 2009

MOTION 10-01-057

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting minutes of November 25, 2009 be received for information.

CARRIED

6. b) Agricultural Service Board Meeting Minutes – December 10, 2009

MOTION 10-01-058

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Agricultural Service Board meeting minutes of December 10, 2009 be received for information.

CARRIED

TENDERS:

8. a) None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE, CAO AND DIRECTORS REPORTS:

9. a) None

CORPORATE SERVICES:

10. a) Electoral Boundary Review and Municipal Census

MOTION 10-01-059

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration be instructed to set up teleconferences with three consultants regarding the electoral boundary review and the municipal census for February 8, 2010.

CARRIED

10. b) Letter from David Peters Regarding Taxes and Municipal Assessor

MOTION 10-01-060

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the letter from David Peters regarding taxes on tax roll 082016 be received for information.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) Bylaw 748/09 Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the Cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3 and Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the Purpose of Consolidation

Reeve Newman called the public hearing for Bylaw 748/09 to order at 4:38 p.m.

Reeve Newman asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 748/09 was properly advertised. Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Newman asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed land use bylaw amendment. Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on December 8, 2009.

Reeve Newman asked if Council has any questions of the proposed land use bylaw amendment. There were no questions.

Reeve Newman asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 748/09. No submissions were received.

Reeve Newman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 748/09. No one was present to speak.

Reeve Newman closed the public hearing for Bylaw 748/09 at 4:43 p.m.

MOTION 10-01-061 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 748/09 being the cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3 and Plan 2938 RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the purpose of consolidation.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-01-062

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That third reading be given to Bylaw 748/09 being the cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3 and Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the purpose of consolidation.

CARRIED

10. c) La Crete Agricultural Society – Request for Tax Reimbursement

MOTION 10-01-063

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That \$741.52 for tax roll 075284 be written off and a refund be issued to the La Crete Agricultural Society.

CARRIED

10. d) Tax Write Off - Tax Roll 077770

MOTION 10-01-064

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That \$4.73 in penalties and the 2009 levy of \$78.81 for tax roll 077770 be written off and the 2010 penalty of \$10.02 be voided.

CARRIED

10. e) Tax Write Off - Tax Roll 214684

MOTION 10-01-065

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That levies and penalties totaling \$2,864.27 be written off to reflect the correct assessment on roll 214684.

CARRIED

10. f) 2008 Financial Indicator Graphs

MOTION 10-01-066

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the County's 2008 Financial Indicator Graphs be accepted for information.

CARRIED

10. g) Mackenzie Housing Management Board Funding Request

MOTION 10-01-067

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the first quarter payment in the amount of \$142,053 be issued to the Mackenzie Housing Management Board based on the 2009 seniors lodge requisition

CARRIED

10. h) La Crete Youth Activity Centre – Request for Letter of Support

MOTION 10-01-068

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a letter of support be provided to the La Crete Youth Activity Centre for their Skills Link Program.

CARRIED

10. i) Equipment Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION 10-01-069

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Equipment Committee Terms of Reference be approved as amended.

CARRIED

10. j) Meeting with the Town of Rainbow Lake

MOTION 10-01-070

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That Council arrange to meet with the Town of Rainbow Lake on February 26, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. in High Level.

CARRIED

10. k) Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA)

MOTION 10-01-071

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Reeve or designate be authorized to attend the APEGGA reception and dinner on February 10, 2010 in Grande Prairie.

CARRIED

10. I) Municipal Operations & Standards Manual

MOTION 10-01-072

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration be instructed to proceed with upgrading the Mackenzie County Municipal Operations and Standards Manual using Stewart, Weir & Co. Ltd..

CARRIED

10. m) Tolko Burner Conversation

MOTION 10-01-073

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That the Tolko burner conservation be tabled to the in-camera discussion.

CARRIED

10. n) REDI Forestry Study (ADDITION)

MOTION 10-01-074

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor

That two alternate Councillors be authorized to attend the REDI forestry study luncheon on February 3, 2010 in High Level.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OPERATIONAL SERVICES:

11. a) Green Zone/White Zone Weed Control

MOTION 10-01-075

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the County instruct the Agricultural Service Board to formulate a plan to combat renegade noxious weeds in the green zone and bring a recommendation back to Council by the end of March 2010.

CARRIED

11. b) Rail Review (ADDITION)

MOTION 10-01-076

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That the County with all interested stakeholders develop a rail business plan for our region and present it prior to the deadline.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PLANNING, EMERGENCY, AND ENFORCEMENT SERVICES: 12. a) None

INFORMATION/ CORRESPONDENCE 13. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 10-01-077

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the information/correspondence items be accepted for information purposes.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 10-01-078

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 5:23 p.m.

14. a) Seniors Lodges

14. b) Town of High Level Arbitration

14. c) Personnel

10. m) Tolko Burner Conversion

CARRIED

MOTION 10-01-079

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council move out of camera at 7:12 p.m.

CARRIED

14. a) Seniors Lodge

MOTION 10-01-080

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That when the need is shown for any additional lodge facilities anywhere in the region Mackenzie County will support a review of the requisitioning bodies.

CARRIED

14. b) Town of High Level Arbitration

MOTION 10-01-081 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Town of High Level arbitration update be received for

information.

CARRIED

14. c) Personnel

MOTION 10-01-082 MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the personnel restructuring report be received as discussed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 10-01-083 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Council approve the annual salary adjustment at 4% for Out

of Scope staff.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. d) Fire Invoice #9631 (ADDITION)

MOTION 10-01-084

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor

That fire invoice #9631 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. m) Tolko Burner Conversion

MOTION 10-01-085 MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Tolko burner conversion be tabled for more information.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE: 15. a) Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 9, 2010

10:00 a.m.

Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

ADJOURNMENT: 16. a) Adjournment

MOTION 10-01-086 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on February 9, 2010.

(original signed)	(original signed)	
Greg Newman	William Kostiw	
Reeve	Chief Administrative Officer	