

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, August 26, 2009
2:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT:

Greg Newman	Reeve
Peter F. Braun	Deputy Reeve
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Ed Froese	Councillor
Bill Neufeld	Councillor (joined via teleconference at 3:52 p.m.)
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Stuart Watson	Councillor

ABSENT: Ray Toews Councillor

ADMINISTRATION:

William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
Ryan Becker	Director of Planning & Emergency Services
John Klassen	Director of Operations (South)
Dave Crichton	Director of Operations (North)
Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Media and Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on August 26, 2009 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Newman called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m.

MOTION 09-08-670 **MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That the Council meeting begin at 2:08 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

MOTION 09-08-671

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the agenda be adopted with the following addition:
14. g) Mackenzie Housing

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) Minutes of the August 11, 2009 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 09-08-672

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the August 11, 2009 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4. a) None

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) None

TENDERS:

8. a) Township Road 103-2 (Blue Hills) Tender

MOTION 09-08-673

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That the Township Road 103-2 (Blue Hills) Tender be tabled to the next meeting.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE,
CAO AND DIRECTORS
REPORTS:**

9. a) None

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

10. a) Report on the Meeting with Honourable Ray Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs

MOTION 09-08-674

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the report on the meeting with Honourable Ray Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs, be received for information.

CARRIED

**10. b) Signing of the Regional Service Sharing Agreement
with the Town of High Level**

MOTION 09-08-675

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the Regional Service Sharing Agreement with the Town of High Level be received as signed.

CARRIED

10. c) Municipal Reserve Policy RESV 10

MOTION 09-08-676

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Municipal Reserve balance be accepted for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-677

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the Municipal Reserve Policy RESV 10 be amended as discussed.

CARRIED

**10. d) Tax Write-Off – Tax Rolls 080100, 098283, 098336 and
098344**

MOTION 09-08-678

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the 2008 tax levy of \$32.37 for tax roll 080100 be written off.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-679

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the 2008 tax levy of \$488.69 and penalty of \$29.32 for tax roll 098283 be written off.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-680

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the 2008 tax levy of \$1620.33 and penalty of \$97.22 for tax roll 098336 be written off.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-681

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the 2008 tax levy of \$211.92 and penalty of \$12.72 for tax roll 098344 be written off.

CARRIED

10. e) Jubilee Insurance – Property Policy Renewal

MOTION 09-08-682

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the AAMDC – Jubilee Insurance Property Policy Renewal be referred to the Finance Committee for further investigation and be reported back to Council.

CARRIED

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

11. a) Rocky Lane Road Improvements

MOTION 09-08-683

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That administration proceeds with the stabilization and seal coat of 500 meters by Rocky Lane School at an estimated cost of \$200,000.

Councillor J. Driedger requested a recorded vote.

In Favor

Councillor D. Driedger
Councillor Wardley
Councillor Watson
Councillor Sarapuk
Councillor Froese

Opposed

Reeve Newman
Deputy Reeve Braun
Councillor J. Driedger

CARRIED

11. b) Resource Road Program Applications

MOTION 09-08-684

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration prepares and submits Resource Road Program applications for the following projects:

1. Highway 88 Connector (50/50)

DEFEATED

MOTION 09-08-685

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That administration prepares and submits Resource Road Program applications for the following projects:

- Highway 88 Connector
- Zama Access

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-686

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That administration complete engineered traffic counts this winter on the Highway 88 Connector, Zama Access, and the Blue Hills Connector.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 3:06 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:23 p.m.

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) Representatives of the Heart & Stroke Foundation and the Mackenzie Regional FASD Society

Reeve Newman presented Margaret Bell, Area Manager with the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Alberta, NWT & Nunavut, with a cheque in the amount of \$12,000.00 from the proceeds of the 1st Annual Mackenzie County Charity Golf Tournament.

**PLANNING,
EMERGENCY, AND
ENFORCEMENT
SERVICES:**

12. a) Bylaw 731/09 Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the Cancellation and Consolidation of Plan 032 3561, Block 7, Lots 2, 3 and 4 (La Crete)

MOTION 09-08-687

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 731/09 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment for the cancellation of Plan 032 3561, Block 7, Lots 2, 3 and 4 for the purposes of consolidation.

CARRIED

12. b) Bylaw 732/09 Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the Cancellation of Subdivision Plan 972 2460, Lot 1 (Part of SE 22-106-15-W5M) (La Crete)

MOTION 09-08-688

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That first reading be given to Bylaw 732/09 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment for the cancellation of Plan 972 2460, Lot 1 for the purpose of reverting the lands back into Part of SE 22-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

CARRIED

12. c) Bylaw 733/09 Fee Schedule Bylaw

MOTION 09-08-689

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the Fee Schedule Bylaw be tabled to the next meeting.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE**

13. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 09-08-690

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the County participate in the 2009 High Level trade show.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-691

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That all Councillors be authorized to attend the 2009 REDI Annual General Meeting on September 9, 2009 in High Level.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-692

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

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

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 09-08-693

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 3:34 p.m.

- 14. a) Personnel
- 14. b) Special Projects
- 14. c) Legal
- 14. d) Inter-municipal Relations
- 14. e) CO₂ EOR Negotiations
- 14. f) AUPE Negotiations
- 14. g) Mackenzie Housing

CARRIED

Councillor Neufeld joined the meeting at 3:52 p.m.

MOTION 09-08-694

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council move out of camera at 4:00 p.m.

CARRIED

**5. b) Wayne Franklin, Regional Manager, Alberta
Transportation**

MOTION 09-08-695

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That the presentation by Wayne Franklin, Alberta Transportation, regarding Highway 88 and the Tompkins Ferry be received for information.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) Mackenzie Regional FASD Society

Reeve Newman presented Ann Lajeunesse with the Mackenzie Regional FASD Society with a cheque in the amount of \$1,200.00 from the proceeds of the 1st Annual Mackenzie County Charity Golf Tournament.

MOTION 09-08-696

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council move back in camera at 4:30 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-697

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council move out of camera at 5:30 p.m.

CARRIED

14. a) Personnel

MOTION 09-08-698

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council accept Ryan Becker's resignation with regret and that the Chief Administrative Officer finalize the agreement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. b) Special Projects

MOTION 09-08-699

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the special projects update be received for information.

CARRIED

14. c) Legal

MOTION 09-08-700

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That administration work with the Town of High Level to resolve matters with MK Strategies.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-701

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council accept Brownlee LLP's recommendation in regards to a ratepayer letter.

CARRIED

14. d) Inter-municipal Relations

MOTION 09-08-702

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That the County proceed with implementation of the articles of the Regional Service Sharing agreement as outlined in the agreement.

CARRIED

14. e) CO₂ EOR Negotiations

MOTION 09-08-703

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the CO₂ Committee continue to lobby for the project.

CARRIED

14. f) AUPE Negotiations

MOTION 09-08-704 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the AUPE negotiations be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 09-08-705 **MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the out of scope staff negotiations be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. g) Mackenzie Housing

MOTION 09-08-706 **MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Mackenzie Housing update be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-08-707 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the County proceed as discussed in regards to the letter received from Mennonite Mutual Insurance.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE: **15. a) Regular Council Meeting**

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 8, 2009
10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

ADJOURNMENT: **16. a) Adjournment**

MOTION 09-08-708 **MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on September 8, 2009.

Original Signed

Greg Newman
Reeve

Original Signed

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer