

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Thursday, March 26, 2009
4:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT: Greg Newman Reeve
Peter Braun Deputy Reeve
Dicky Driedger Councillor
John W. Driedger Councillor
Ed Froese Councillor
Bill Neufeld Councillor
Walter Sarapuk Councillor
Lisa Wardley Councillor

ABSENT: Ray Toews Councillor
Stuart Watson 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: Tom Mihaly, The Echo
Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on March 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 4:02 p.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 09-03-212 MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the agenda be adopted with the addition of:
11. b) Beaver Control Methods

12. g) Vangard Realty Ltd., Municipal Reserve NW 9-106-15-W5M

CARRIED

TENDERS:

8. a) La Crete Administration Building – 4:00 p.m.

MOTION 09-03-213

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the tenders for the La Crete Administration Building be opened.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-03-214

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the tender for the La Crete Administration Building be received for information and be referred to the La Crete Building Committee for review.

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) Minutes of the March 10, 2009 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 09-03-215

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the minutes of the March 10, 2009 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4. a) None

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – February 25, 2009

MOTION 09-03-216

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of February 25, 2009 be received for information.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) None

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

9. a) None

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

**10. a) Bylaw 709/09 Municipal Heritage Resource
Designation (The Old Bay House Legally Described as
Lot 01, Block 01, Plan 3383ET in the Hamlet of Fort
Vermilion)**

MOTION 09-03-217

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 709/09 being the Municipal Heritage Resource Designation ("The Old Bay House" being legally described as Lot 01, Block 01, Plan 3383ET in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion) bylaw.

CARRIED

10. b) Request to Waive Penalties Charged on Arrear Taxes

MOTION 09-03-218

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the request to waive penalties charged on arrear taxes on Tax Roll 081773 be denied.

CARRIED

**10. c) Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) – AUMA
Request**

MOTION 09-03-219

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That three Municipal Sustainability Initiative approved projects be selected by administration to be highlighted in the AUMA initiative:

CARRIED

10. d) La Crete Trade Show

MOTION 09-03-220

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the County participate in the 2009 La Crete Trade Show.

CARRIED

10. e) Persons with Developmental Disabilities Northwest

Spring Celebration and Awards Night

MOTION 09-03-221

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Deputy Reeve Braun be authorized to attend the Persons with Developmental Disabilities Northwest Spring Celebration and Awards night on Friday, May 8, 2009 in Grande Prairie.

CARRIED

10. f) Special Events

MOTION 09-03-222

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the June 24, 2009 Council meeting be changed to June 25, 2009 and that the County golf tournament be held on June 24, 2009.

CARRIED

10. g) Request for Letter of Support – Northern Lights Gas Co-op Community Broadband Infrastructure Program

MOTION 09-03-223

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That Mackenzie County forward a letter of support to Northern Lights Gas Co-op for the Community Broadband Infrastructure Program.

CARRIED

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

11. a) Fort Vermilion Fuel Tank

Deputy Reeve Braun declared himself in conflict and left the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION 09-03-224

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That the County purchase a dyed diesel tank for Fort Vermilion with funding coming from the general operating budget.

Councillor J. Driedger requested a recorded vote.

In Favor:
Councillor D. Driedger
Reeve Newman

Opposed:
Councillor J. Driedger
Councillor Wardley

Councillor Sarapuk
Councillor Froese
Councillor Neufeld

CARRIED

Deputy Reeve Braun rejoined the meeting at 4:41 p.m.

11. b) Beaver Control Methods (ADDITION)

MOTION 09-03-225

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the beaver control methods be referred to the Agriculture Service Board for recommendation.

CARRIED

**PLANNING,
EMERGENCY AND
ENFORCEMENT
SERVICES:**

**12. a) Bylaw 708/09 Subdivision Plan Cancellation Part of
NW 1-106-15-W5M (Plan 082 1385, Block 1, Lot 1) (La
Crete)**

MOTION 09-03-226

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That first reading be given to Bylaw 708/09 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment for the cancellation of Plan 082 1385, Block 1, Lot 1 for the purpose of reverting the lands back into NW 1-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

CARRIED

12. b) Urban Development Standards Policy DEV001

MOTION 09-03-227

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Policy DEV001 Urban Development Standards be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

12. c) Request to Waive a Fire Invoice – Jacquie Bateman

MOTION 09-03-228

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That administration re-issue fire invoice #8565 in the amount of \$318.02 and that the request to waive this fire invoice be denied.

CARRIED

12. d) Request to Waive an Ambulance Invoice – Johan Wolfe

MOTION 09-03-229

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the request to waive ambulance invoice #5557 by Mr. Johan Wolfe be denied.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 4:52 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 5:06 p.m.

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 09-03-230

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 5:06 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) Vanguard Realty Ltd., Municipal Reserve NW 9-106-15-W5M (ADDITION)

CARRIED

MOTION 09-03-231

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council move out of camera at 5:31 p.m.

CARRIED

14. a) Personnel

MOTION 09-03-232

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the personnel update be received for information.

CARRIED

14. b) Special Projects

MOTION 09-03-233

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the special projects update be received for information.

CARRIED

14. c) Legal

MOTION 09-03-234

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the legal update be received for information.

CARRIED

14. d) Inter-municipal Relations

MOTION 09-03-235

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That the inter-municipal relations update be received for information.

CARRIED

14. e) CO₂EOR Negotiations

MOTION 09-03-236

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the CO₂ EOR negotiations update be received for information.

CARRIED

14. g) Vanguard Realty Ltd., Municipal Reserve NW 9-106-15-W5M (ADDITION)

MOTION 09-03-237

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a letter be sent to Vanguard Realty Ltd. in regards to Municipal Reserve on NW 9-106-15-W5M as discussed in-camera.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) La Crete Swimming Pool Committee – 5:30 p.m.

The La Crete Swimming Pool Committee and RC Strategies Inc. presented the La Crete Aquatics/Leisure Centre Feasibility Study to Council.

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 6:16 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

MOTION 09-03-238

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council move in camera at 6:53 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 09-03-239

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Braun

That Council move out of camera at 7:54 p.m.

CARRIED

14. f) AUPE Negotiations

MOTION 09-03-240

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the negotiating committee proceed with AUPE negotiations as discussed in-camera.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

13. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 09-03-241

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

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

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) La Crete Swimming Pool Committee

MOTION 09-03-242

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That due to the current economic conditions and high capital costs the County cannot realistically pursue the La Crete swimming pool project at the present time however it may be considered in the County's long range recreational planning.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEXT MEETING DATE: 15. a) Regular Council Meeting

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 7, 2009
10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

ADJOURNMENT: 16. a) Adjournment

MOTION 09-03-243 MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the council meeting be adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on April 7, 2009.

Greg Newman
Reeve

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer