

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MACKENZIE NO. 23
REGULAR COUNCIL**

**Seminar Room, Fort Vermilion School Division Central Office
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

Tuesday, October 3, 2000

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Betty Bateman	Councillor
John Driedger	Councillor
Pat Kulscar	Councillor
Joe Peters	Councillor
Frank Rosenberger	Councillor
Willie Wieler	Councillor

ABSENT:

Greg Newman	Councillor
Wayne Thiessen	Councillor

ALSO PRESENT:

Harvey Prockiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Eva Schmidt	Executive Assistant
Bill Landiuk	Director of Corporate Services
Ivan Perich	Director of Operational Services
Sheldon Robb	Director of Protective Services
Marco Braat	Superintendent of Utilities, Parks and Playgrounds

Minutes of the regular Council meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, held on Tuesday, October 3, 2000, in the Seminar Room of the Fort Vermilion School Division Central Office, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the Council meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) **Items to Add or Delete from the Agenda**

The following additions were made to the agenda:

- 11g) Letter from Tolko
- 9a) Bylaw 231/00 Curfew
- 12d) Highway 88 Paving Initiative Presentation
- 11h) High Level Office
- 13a) Tri Council
- 4b) Bylaw 174/99 Off-Site Levy
- 11I) Mackenzie Housing Management Board Requisition

2. b) **Adoption of the Agenda**

MOTION 00-518

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That the agenda be adopted with additions.

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
THE PREVIOUS
MINUTES:**

3. a) **Minutes of the September 19, 2000
Committee of the Whole Meeting**

MOTION 00-519

MOVED by Councillor Wieler

That Minutes of the September 19, 2000 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. b) **Minutes of the September 19, 2000 Council Meeting**

MOTION 00-520

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That the Minutes of the September 19, 2000 Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

4. a) **Bylaw 224/00 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment**

Reeve Neufeld called the Public Hearing for Bylaw 224/00 to order at 11:08 a.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 224/00 was properly advertised. Harvey Prockiw answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. Harvey Prockiw presented the Development Authority's submission.

Reeve Neufeld asked if a submission was received from the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency. The Subdivision Authority submission was included in the agenda package.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council had any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. Councillor Wieler asked what type of land this is. Councillor Kulscar advised that the applicant is in favour of rezoning the natural subdivision only.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 224/00. There were two submissions received, Harvey Prockiw read them.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 224/00. Janet Rechlo addressed the Chair, informing Council that the portion of land in question is naturally subdivided by creeks and is too narrow to farm around the power poles. Paul Steffanson agreed that this is a good parcel for subdivision.

Reeve Neufeld closed the Public Hearing for Bylaw 224/00 at 11:19 a.m.

4. b) Bylaw 174/99 – Off Site Levy Bylaw

Reeve Neufeld called the Public Hearing for Bylaw 174/00 to order at 11:19 a.m.

Harvey Prockiw explained that Bylaw 174/99 had been advertised to allow for public input although this is not a requirement of the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked Marco Braat to outline the proposed Off-Site Levy Bylaw. Marco Braat explained what the purpose is for an off-site levy and made his presentation.

Councillor Rosenberger left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council had any questions of the proposed Off-Site Levy Bylaw. Jake Elias asked for clarification on the reference to the off-site levy being used for only that particular subdivision and had a concern that this bylaw has the potential of restricting the growth of the community. Councillor Wieler asked if the cost schedule is related to the cost recovery.

Councillor Rosenberger re-entered the meeting at 11:38 a.m.

Councillor Kulscar asked how much have upgrades cost in the last 10 years, can we do our own comparisons. How much have we collected in off-site levies over the last 10 years and how much have we spent in upgrades. We should take these figures and determine how much we need to collect.

Paul Steffanson stated that the figures before and after looks like a drastic move because the amounts were much too low due to the off-site levy fees not being updated regularly. Mr. Steffanson stated that it should be a user pay system.

Reeve Neufeld closed the Public Hearing for Bylaw 174/99 at 12:00 p.m.

MOTION 00-521

MOVED by Willie Wieler

That Bylaw 174/99, Off-Site Levy, be submitted to the Development Agreement Task Force.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) Fisheries and Wildlife Management Division

Reeve Neufeld welcomed Dave Walty to the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

Dave Walty addressed the issue of restrictive fishing regulations imposed on Wadlin Lake. The pike and perch numbers have declined substantially. The Fisheries and Wildlife Management Division is trying to restore the population as much as possible. The white fish population is quite stable but is fished mostly in the winter time. The walleye population has been introduced and seems to be doing well.

Reeve Neufeld thanked Dave Walty who then left the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

**5. b) Frontier Veterinary Clinic
Dr. Dewey Stickney and Dr. Wendy Quist**

Reeve Neufeld welcomed Dr. Stickney and Dr. Quist to the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Dr. Stickney gave some history on the Veterinary service within the M.D. of Mackenzie. In 1990 the province privatized clinics and withdrew a lot of the funding. The Veterinary clinic has two agreements with the M.D. of Mackenzie. One is the Veterinary Services Incorporated agreement which is really an agreement with the producers. The other agreement replaces some of the funding that the province withdrew.

Dr. Quist stated that the producers in the area are getting bigger. The biggest growth is in the pet population including High Level, Rainbow Lake and the Territories. Dr. Stickney stated that they would like to see more Veterinarians coming into the area.

Reeve Neufeld thanked Dr. Quist and Dr. Stickney and they left the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

**5. c) PAR
Tom Friesen, Precision Lumber**

Reeve Neufeld welcomed Tom Friesen, George Unrau and Jake Driedger to the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Tom Friesen stated that Precision Lumber Products, Aspen Point Sawmills Ltd. and Ridgeview Mills Ltd. (PAR) are still trying to secure more timber for their sawmills. At this time they are seeking Council's support on a long term deciduous timber quota. The local sawmills need a sufficient and secure wood supply to stay viable. PAR has been taking the initiative to make an agreement with the government to change the deciduous portion of the timber program into a quota program.

MOTION 00-522

MOVED by Councillor Wieler

That a letter be written to Howard Gray, Alberta Resource Development, supporting a long term deciduous timber quota for Precision Lumber Products, Aspen Point Sawmills Ltd. and Ridgeview Mills Ltd. (PAR).

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld thanked the PAR delegation and they left the table at 1:58 p.m.

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE AND
CAO REPORTS:**

6. a) Council Committee Reports

Councillors reported on the Council Committee's as follows:

Councillor Sarapuk – Little Red River Cree Nation Management Committee
Councillor Driedger – Mackenzie Housing Management Board, Highway 88 Committee
Councillor Rosenberger – no meetings
Councillor Bateman – Northwestern Health Services Continuing Care Review Health Summit
Councillor Wieler – Highway 88 Committee meeting with Minister Ed Stelmach, Local Advisory Forestry Committee
Councillor Peters – no meetings
Councillor Kulscar – High Level Trade Show
Reeve Neufeld – Highway 88 Committee

MOTION 00-523

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the Council Committee reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

6. b) CAO Report

Harvey Prockiw reported on the Fort Vermilion and La Crete Get To Know You Night. In the future the M.D. will be represented at the one in High Level as well. Offices in La Crete and Fort Vermilion are now open over the lunch hour.

MOTION 00-524

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That the CAO report be accepted for information.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE
MINUTES:**

7. a)

There were no items under this heading.

**PLANNING AND
EMERGENCY
SERVICES:**

8. a) Bylaw 224/00 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment

MOTION 00-525
Bylaw 224/00
Second Reading

MOVED by Councillor Wieler

That second reading be given to Bylaw 224/00 being a land use bylaw amendment to rezone NW 32-109-17-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Rural Country Residential District "RC".

CARRIED

MOTION 00-526
Bylaw 224/00
Third Reading

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That third reading be given to Bylaw 224/00 being a land use bylaw amendment to rezone NW 32-109-17-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Rural Country Residential District "RC".

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

**PROTECTIVE
SERVICES:**

9. a) Bylaw 231/00 Curfew

MOTION 00-527
Bylaw 231/00
First Reading

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That first reading be given to Bylaw 231/00 being a curfew bylaw.

CARRIED

**AGRICULTURAL
SERVICES:**

10. a)

There were no items under this heading.

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

11. a) Tire Recycling Resolution

MOTION 00-528

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That the following resolution be forwarded to Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties to be included on their 2000 Fall Convention agenda:

WHEREAS more than two million tires per year are discarded by Albertans; and

WHEREAS the majority of these tires are stored at municipal landfills or waste transfer stations; and

WHEREAS the Municipalities have been burdened with the cost associated with the handling of tires; and

WHEREAS the ratepayers of Alberta have no avenue to dispose of oversize dimension tires and off-road vehicle tires; and

WHEREAS the Tire Recycling Management Association of Alberta collects a \$4.00 per tire Advance Disposal Surcharge from the consumers; and

WHEREAS a goal of the Tire Recycling Management Association of Alberta is to collect tires from all municipalities on an equitable basis;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties request the Tire Recycling Management Association of Alberta to review its program so that the cost associated with the collection, handling, transportation, and disposal of tires does not continue to be borne by the Municipality.

CARRIED

Councillor Rosenberger will present the resolution at the AAMD&C Convention.

11. b) **Appointments to the M.D. of Mackenzie Library Board**

MOTION 00-529

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Carina Weisbach, Fort Vermilion; Calvin Saloff, Fort Vermilion; Lisa Wardley, Zama; and Darlene Vanwyk, Zama, be appointed to the M.D. of Mackenzie Library Board.

CARRIED

11. c) **Local Resident Recipient of AAMD&C Scholarship**

MOTION 00-530

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That a letter of congratulations be written to Stacy Paul of Fort Vermilion on being named the recipient of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Scholarship and that a news release be issued to the media.

CARRIED

11. d) **Footner Forest Products**

MOTION 00-0531

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That all Councillors be authorized to attend the dinner hosted by Footner Forest Products on October 25, 2000 at the Stardust Banquet Room in High Level.

CARRIED

11. e) **Mackenzie Forest Education Society Luncheon**

MOTION 00-532

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Councillors Thiessen, Sarapuk and Wieler be authorized to attend the Mackenzie Forest Education Society tenth anniversary luncheon on Wednesday, November 1, 2000 at the Travellers Motor Hotel in Peace River.

CARRIED

11. f) **Set Budget Meeting Date**

MOTION 00-533

MOVED by Councillor Peters

That a budget meeting be scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. in Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

8. g) **Tolko Letter**

MOTION 00-534

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Tolko be invited to a future Council meeting in Fort Vermilion or High Level.

CARRIED

8. h) **Service Level for High Level Office**

MOTION 00-535

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That the M.D. of Mackenzie provide the same level of service, five days a week, in High Level that is provided in the La Crete and Fort Vermilion offices.

CARRIED

8. i) Mackenzie Housing Management Board

MOTION 00-536

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the Department of Municipal Affairs be asked to amend Section 5 of Ministerial Order H:082/99 by adding in the Town of High Level and the Town of Rainbow Lake as municipalities to be requisitioned by the Mackenzie Housing Management Board.

CARRIED

OPERATIONAL SERVICES:

12. a) Bylaw 174/99 – Off-Site Levy

This item was dealt with under the Public Hearing process.

12. b) Fort Vermilion Airport Overlay

MOTION 00-537

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That administration request adequate information from AGRA - Torchinsky Engineering and inform them that the Fort Vermilion Airport project continue as planned in conjunction with the Secondary Highway 697 paving project.

CARRIED

12. c) Buffalo Head Prairie Transfer Station

MOTION 00-538

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That administration proceed with the purchase of two (2) acres of land and construct a transfer station to the west of the Buffalo Head Prairie Co-op store on NW 23-104-15-W5M.

CARRIED

12. d) Highway 88

MOTION 00-539

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That a letter be written to Ed Stelmach, Minister of Infrastructure, supporting the Highway 88 Committee's presentation to the Minister on September 21st, 2000 in Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-540

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council give consideration to go in camera at 2:56 p.m. to discuss issues under Section 23 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED

**IN CAMERA
SESSION:**

13. a) **Tri-Council**

MOTION 00-541

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council come out of in camera at 3:18 p.m.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

14. a) **Adjournment**

MOTION 00-542

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the meeting be adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this _____ day of _____, 2000.

Bill Neufeld, Reeve

Eva Schmidt, Executive Assistant

Approved:

Sandra Cross, Official Administrator