

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, February 10, 2009  
10:00 am**

**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  
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)  
Carol Gabriel Executive Assistant

**ALSO PRESENT:** Susan McNeil, The Echo

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for Mackenzie County held on February 10, 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 10:08 a.m.

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

**MOTION 09-02-077 MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the agenda be adopted with the addition of:

- 14. g) Airports
- 14. h) Mackenzie Waste
- 11. b) Economy Enhancement Projects

12. e) Draft Land Use Bylaw

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF  
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**3. a) Minutes of the January 28, 2009 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 09-02-078**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the January 28, 2009 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) Mackenzie Housing Management Board Meeting Minutes – October 27 & November 24, 2008**

**MOTION 09-02-079**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the Mackenzie Housing Management Board meeting minutes of October 27 & November 24, 2008 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**6. b) Mackenzie County Library Board Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2008**

**MOTION 09-02-080**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Mackenzie County Library Board meeting minutes of November 10, 2008 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**6. c) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – January 14, 2009**

**MOTION 09-02-081**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of January 14, 2009 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** 7. a) None

**TENDERS:** 8. a) None

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE,  
CAO AND DIRECTORS  
REPORTS:** 9. a) Council Committee Reports

Councillor Neufeld reported on the Agriculture Service Board conference, Land Use Framework review meeting and the ice-bridge committee meeting.

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meetings and the ice-bridge committee meeting.

Councillor Sarapuk reported on PAC meeting and REDI workshop.

Reeve Newman reported on community enhancement funding, Land Use Framework review, and the meeting with the Health minister.

Deputy Reeve Braun reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meetings, La Crete Recreation Society, La Crete Building Committee meetings, La Crete FCSS meeting, Finance Committee meetings, REDI Tourism meeting, La Crete Recreation Society AGM, Parks & Recreation Committee meeting, Land Use Framework review, meeting with Health minister, La Crete Community Library AGM, La Crete Library Expansion meeting, Mackenzie Waste Management meeting, and the REDI needs study teleconference.

Councillor J. Driedger reported on the Health meeting, La Crete Building Committee, Community Futures, Finance Committee meeting, Mackenzie Housing Management Board, Parks & Recreation committee meeting, and the Northern Alberta Elected Leaders meeting.

Councillor Watson reported on the Mackenzie Waste Management meeting.

Councillor Wardley reported on the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting, Land Use Framework meeting, and the vet survey in Zama.

Councillor D. Driedger reported on the REDI regional needs assessment survey, and the provincial Agriculture Service Board conference.

**MOTION 09-02-082**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That the Council verbal reports be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**9. b) CAO and Directors Reports**

**MOTION 09-02-083**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the Chief Administrative Officer and Directors reports be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

**10. a) Bylaw 681/08 Authorizing Imposition of a Local  
Improvement Tax for Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on  
98<sup>th</sup> Avenue (La Crete)**

**MOTION 09-02-084**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 681/08 being a bylaw authorizing imposition of a local improvement tax for Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 98 Avenue from Plan 9722482, Block 11, Lot 24; Plan 9722482, Block 22, Lots 7-11; Plan 0620273, Block 10, Lots 23 & 24; Plan 7521580, Block 5, Lots 16-22; Plan 7521580, Block 11, Lot 8; Plan 7521580, Block 9, Lots 8 & 9; Plan 8420426, Block 5, Lots 27-33; Plan 1922NY, Block 5, Lots 9-14; Plan 9624008, Block 5, Lot 35; Plan 1160NY, Block 1, Lot 2; Plan 5824NY, Block 1, Lot 11; Plan 509RS, Block 1, Lot 12; Plan 1089RS, Lot D; Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lots 6 & 7; Plan 1425, Block 6, Lot 7-11 & 23; Plan 9320809, Block 10, Lots 2,3,5,6,7; Plan 9523371, Block 11, Lot 10; Plan 9722482, Block 23, Lots 4-11; Plan 9722482, Block 24, Lot 1; Plan 9925746, Block 24, Lot 2 in the Hamlet of La Crete.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-02-085**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That third reading be given to Bylaw 681/08 being a bylaw authorizing imposition of a local improvement tax for Curb, Gutter

and Sidewalk on 98 Avenue from Plan 9722482, Block 11, Lot 24; Plan 9722482, Block 22, Lots 7-11; Plan 0620273, Block 10, Lots 23 & 24; Plan 7521580, Block 5, Lots 16-22; Plan 7521580, Block 11, Lot 8; Plan 7521580, Block 9, Lots 8 & 9; Plan 8420426, Block 5, Lots 27-33; Plan 1922NY, Block 5, Lots 9-14; Plan 9624008, Block 5, Lot 35; Plan 1160NY, Block 1, Lot 2; Plan 5824NY, Block 1, Lot 11; Plan 509RS, Block 1, Lot 12; Plan 1089RS, Lot D; Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lots 6 & 7; Plan 1425, Block 6, Lot 7-11 & 23; Plan 9320809, Block 10, Lots 2,3,5,6,7; Plan 9523371, Block 11, Lot 10; Plan 9722482, Block 23, Lots 4-11; Plan 9722482, Block 24, Lot 1; Plan 9925746, Block 24, Lot 2 in the Hamlet of La Crete.

**CARRIED**

**10. b) Bylaw 696/09 Local Improvement of the 47<sup>th</sup> Street and 48<sup>th</sup> and 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Construction in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion**

**MOTION 09-02-086**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That first reading be given to Bylaw 696/09 being a bylaw authorizing the curb, gutter, and sidewalk local improvement charge for the 47<sup>th</sup> Street, 48<sup>th</sup> and 49<sup>th</sup> Avenues in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion.

**CARRIED**

**10. c) Bylaw 703/09 Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer**

**MOTION 09-02-087**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That first reading be given to Bylaw 703/09 being a Bylaw to appoint William Kostiw to the position of Chief Administrative Officer.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-02-088**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That second reading be given to Bylaw 703/09 being a Bylaw to appoint William Kostiw to the position of Chief Administrative Officer.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-02-089**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 703/09 being a Bylaw to appoint William Kostiw to the position of Chief Administrative Officer.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-02-090**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That third reading be given to Bylaw 703/09 being a Bylaw to appoint William Kostiw to the position of Chief Administrative Officer.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**10. d) Bylaw 704/09 Establish the Position of Designated Officer (Director of Corporate Services / Assistant CAO)**

**MOTION 09-02-091**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 704/09 being a Bylaw to establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Corporate Services / Assistant CAO.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-02-092**

**MOVED** By Councillor Wardley

That second reading be given to Bylaw 704/09 being a Bylaw to establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Corporate Services / Assistant CAO.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-02-093**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 704/09 being a Bylaw to establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Corporate Services / Assistant CAO.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-02-094**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 704/09 being a Bylaw to

establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Corporate Services / Assistant CAO.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 11:07 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

**10. e) Hutch Lake Lot – Offer to Purchase  
(Tax Forfeiture Property)**

**MOTION 09-02-095**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the Hutch Lake lot (County owned lot via tax forfeiture) offer to purchase in the amount of \$11,000 be accepted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**10. f) Investments Report**

**MOTION 09-02-096**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the investments report be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. g) 2009 Seniors Lodge Requisition**

**MOTION 09-02-097**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That the 2009 Seniors Lodge Budget be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. h) Local Improvements Bylaw – Summary**

**MOTION 09-02-098**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the local improvements bylaw summary be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. i) Town of High Level – Request for Letter of Support**

**MOTION 09-02-099**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the Town of High Level request for letter of support for their application to the Rural Community Adaptation Grant Program be tabled for more information.

**CARRIED**

**10. j) Meetings During AAMD&C Spring Convention**

**MOTION 09-02-100**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That administration set up appropriate meetings with the Ministers of Sustainable Resource Development and Environment.

**CARRIED**

**10. k) Community Planning Association of Alberta Conference**

**MOTION 09-02-101**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the Municipal Planning Commission members be authorized to attend the Community Planning Association of Alberta Conference in Red Deer from April 6 – 8, 2009.

**CARRIED**

**10. l) Public-Private Partnerships Conference**

**MOTION 09-02-102**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That one councillor be authorized to attend the Public-Private Partnerships conference in Edmonton from February 24 – 25, 2009.

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION 09-02-103**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the Public-Private Partnerships conference be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. m) Farmer Appreciation Breakfast & Mini Tradeshow**

**MOTION 09-02-104**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley



That the County support the Agriculture Service Board for the farmer appreciation breakfast.

**CARRIED**

**10. n) Benefits Program**

**MOTION 09-02-105**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That administration be authorized to switch to the most cost efficient benefit carrier while maintaining the current level of coverage.

**CARRIED**

**10. o) 1<sup>st</sup> Annual County Hosted Charity Golf Classic**

**MOTION 09-02-106**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That Council instruct administration to proceed with the charity golf tournament.

**CARRIED**

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

**12. a) Bylaw 701/09 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Vary  
Minimum Hamlet Country Residential Lot Sizes of SE  
10-106-15-W5M (La Crete)**

**MOTION 09-02-107**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That first reading be given to Bylaw 701/09 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment granting a variance of the minimum lot sizes within SE 10-106-15-W5M in order to allow the subdivision of lots smaller than 2 acres (0.81 hectares) in size, as shown in the La Crete Area Structure Plan (Bylaw 508/05), with the understanding that the Municipal Planning Commission will make the decision on the subdivision application(s) after review of all pertinent subdivision information.

**CARRIED**

**12. b) Bylaw 702/09 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone  
Part of NE 17-106-15-W5M, Plan 0121021, Block 1, Lot  
1 and Plan 042 0507, Block 1, Lots 3 through 9 from  
Rural Country Residential District 2 "RC2" to Rural**

**Country Residential District 1 “RC1” (La Crete Rural)**

**MOTION 09-02-108**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That first reading be given to Bylaw 702/09 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NE 17-106-15-W5M, Plan 012 1021, Block 1, Lot 1, and Plan 042 0507, Block 1, Lots 3 through 9 from Rural Country Residential District 2 “RC2” to Rural Country Residential District 1 “RC1”.

**CARRIED**

**12. c) Municipal Development Plan – Open House Dates**

**MOTION 09-02-109**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the Municipal Development Plan open house dates be scheduled as follows:

- April 28 – La Crete – 7:30 p.m.
- April 29 – Fort Vermilion – 7:30 p.m.
- May 5 – High Level – 7:30 p.m.
- May 6 – Zama – 7:30 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**12. d) Zama Multi-Purpose Fire Truck**

**MOTION 09-02-110**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the 2009 budget be amended by increasing the Zama Fire Truck funding to \$335,000 with additional funding as follows:

- \$50,000 trade in value
- \$27,035 SCBA Cascade Station (Zama project)
- \$45,000 Pigging Water Mains (Zama project)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**12. e) Draft Land Use Bylaw (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 09-02-111**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That the draft land use bylaw be received for information.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 12:12 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Fort Vermilion School Division Road Project Requests**

**MOTION 09-02-112**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the Fort Vermilion School Division road project requests be brought forward to the 2010 budget deliberations.

**CARRIED**

**11. b) Economy Enhancement Project (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 09-02-113**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That administration looks into the possibilities of utilizing more manual and day labour in projects.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**INFORMATION /  
CORRESPONDENCE:**

**13. a) Information/Correspondence Items**

**MOTION 09-02-114**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

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

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 1:12 p.m.

- 14. a) Personnel
- 14. b) Special Projects
- 14. c) Legal
- 14. d) Inter-municipal Relations
- 14. e) CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Negotiations
- 14. f) Community Development Fund
- 14. g) Airports
- 14. h) Mackenzie Waste

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-02-115**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 3:35 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**14. a) Personnel**

**14. b) Special Projects**

**14. c) Legal**

**MOTION 09-02-116**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the personnel, special projects, and legal updates be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**14. d) Inter-municipal Relations**

**MOTION 09-02-117**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the County advise the Town of High Level of the County's offer as discussed in camera.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**14. e) CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Negotiations**

**14. f) Community Development Fund**

**MOTION 09-02-118**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the CO<sub>2</sub> EOR negotiations and the Community Development Fund updates be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**14. g) Airports (ADDITION)**

**14. h) Mackenzie Waste (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 09-02-119**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Braun

That the airports and Mackenzie Waste discussion be received for information.

**CARRIED**

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

Regular Council Meeting  
Wednesday, February 25, 2009  
4:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

**ADJOURNMENT: 16. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 09-02-120 MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the meeting be adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved on February 25, 2009.

Original Signed  
Greg Newman  
Reeve

Original Signed  
William Kostiw  
Chief Administrative Officer