

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, April 25, 2007

6:00 p.m.

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, AB**

PRESENT:	Bill Neufeld	Reeve
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	Peter Braun	Councillor
	John W. Driedger	Councillor
	Ed Froese	Councillor
	Jim Thompson	Councillor
	Greg Newman	Councillor
	Stuart Watson	Councillor (teleconference)
ABSENT:	Lisa Wardley	Councillor
ALSO PRESENT:	Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
	Paul Driedger	Director of Planning & Emergency Services
	John Klassen	Manager of Utilities & Facilities
	Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant

Members of the media.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 07-364 MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of:

- 9. b) Safety Codes Council
- 10. j) Waterline Thawing
- 11. h) AAMDC Call for Peer Group Participants
- 11. i) Municipal Governance Amalgamation Review
- 12. b) Interim Budget

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF THE
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**3. a) Minutes of the April 11, 2007 Special Council
Meeting**

MOTION 07-365

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the April 11, 2007 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) None

PUBLIC HEARING:

**7. a) Bylaw 581/06 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment
SE 16-110-19-W5M Rezone Agricultural District 1 “A1”
to Country Residential District 1 “RC1”**

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 581/06 to order at 6:13 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 581/06 was properly advertised. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning, 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 Amendment Bylaw. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on June 28, 2006.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Land Use Amendment Bylaw. There were no questions.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 581/06. A submission was received by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation indicating no concerns.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 581/06. There was no indication that anyone present wished to speak to the bylaw.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 581/06 at 6:17 p.m.

MOTION 07-366

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That second reading be given to Bylaw 581/06 being a Bylaw to rezone Part of SE 16-110-19-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Rural Country Residential District 1 "RC1".

CARRIED

MOTION 07-367

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That third reading be given to Bylaw 581/06 being a Bylaw to rezone Part of SE 16-110-19-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Rural Country Residential District 1 "RC1".

CARRIED

**7. b) Bylaw 620/07
Area Structure Plan for SE 16-110-19-W5M
Fox Haven Golf Course**

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 620/06 to order at 6:17 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 620/07 was properly advertised. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Area Structure Plan. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on April 11, 2007.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Area Structure Plan. There were no questions.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 620/07. A submission was received by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation indicating no concerns.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 620/07. There

was no indication that anyone present wished to speak to the bylaw.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 620/07 at 6:21 p.m.

MOTION 07-368

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 620/07, being a bylaw to adopt the Area Structure Plan for SE 16-110-19-W5M.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-369

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That third reading be given to Bylaw 620/07, being a bylaw to adopt the Area Structure Plan for SE 16-110-19-W5M.

CARRIED

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

8. a) Council Committee Report

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the Premier's Dinner in Edmonton, FCSS volunteer appreciation supper in Fort Vermilion, Subdivision & Development Appeal Board hearing, and Forest Education Society meeting.

Councillor Driedger reported on the Premiers' Dinner in Edmonton, meeting with MP Chris Warkentin, Mackenzie Housing Management Board meetings, Health Professional Retention Committee, and the road tour.

Councillor Thompson reported on the Fort Vermilion Recreation Board meeting, and flight tour of the Peace River.

Councillor Newman reported on the Agriculture Service Board.

Councillor Braun reported on the meeting with MP Chris Warkentin, Municipal Planning Commission, Operations Committee, La Crete Recreation Board and Mackenzie Housing Management Board meetings, and the road tour from Tompkins Landing to High level.

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meeting and the road tour.

Councillor Watson reported on the Premier's Dinner in Edmonton, road tour, and meeting with the Town of High Level.

Reeve Neufeld reported on the Premier's Dinner in Edmonton, meeting with MP Chris Warkentin, meeting with EXH Engineering, and the road tour.

MOTION 07-370

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the Council Committee verbal reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld declared himself in conflict of interest and turned the Chair over to Deputy Reeve Sarapuk.

Reeve Neufeld left the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

10. b) Awarding Machesis Lake/Wadlin Lake Caretaking Contract

MOTION 07-371

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the tenders for the Wadlin Lake Caretaking Contract be opened.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-372

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the tenders for the Machesis Lake Caretaking Contract be opened.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-373

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council move in-camera at 6:43 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-374

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That Council move out of camera at 6:51 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-375

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the Wadlin Lake Caretaking Contract be awarded to the lowest bidder that meets contractual requirements.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-376

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Machesis Lake Caretaking Contract be awarded to the lowest bidder that meets contractual requirements.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld rejoined the meeting and resumed the Chair at 6:53 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 6:54 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

8. b) Chief Administrative Officer & Director Reports

MOTION 07-377

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the Director of Corporate Services, Director of Planning & Emergency Services, Manager of Utilities & Facilities, and CAO reports be accepted for information.

CARRIED

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

9. a) LiDAR Imaging

MOTION 07-378

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the LiDAR Imaging Project be added to the 2007 Capital Projects and that \$100,000 be allocated to the project from the Public Works Reserves.

CARRIED

9. b) Safety Codes Council

MOTION 07-379

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the Councillors on the Municipal Planning Commission be appointed to the Safety Codes Input Committee.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

10. a) Dust Control

MOTION 07-380

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the DL-10/40 dust control abatement from Western Road Management be used for 2007.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-381

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That dust control be made available to ratepayers on a cost recovery basis (calcium and DL 10/40) for the product only and that the County fee schedule be amended.

CARRIED

10. c) Gravel Loading, Hauling, Spreading and Initial Grading

Councillor Driedger declared himself in conflict of interest.

MOTION 07-382

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the 2006 gravel loading, hauling, spreading and initial grading contract be extended to 2007.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk requested a recorded vote.

In Favor:

Councillor Braun
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Watson

Opposed:

Reeve Neufeld
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk
Councillor Newman
Councillor Froese

DEFEATED

MOTION 07-383

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the gravel loading, hauling, spreading and initial grading contract be retendered.

CARRIED

10. d) Hill Crest Community School – Traffic Impact Assessment

MOTION 07-384

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the Hill Crest Community School traffic impact assessment be received for information.

CARRIED

10. e) Road Bans

MOTION 07-385

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the road bans implemented by the County on April 16, 2007 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. f) Grader Purchases

MOTION 07-386

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2007 Capital Budget include the purchase of an additional All Wheel Drive Grader and consider a John Deere to allow for comparison evaluation with funding from Public Works Roads Reserve.

DEFEATED

10. g) Alberta Sustainable Resource Development

MOTION 07-387

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the letter from Alberta Sustainable Resource Development be received for information.

CARRIED

10. h) MADD

MOTION 07-388

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That Council approve the sponsorship request by the MADD Chapter within Mackenzie County for the placement of temporary rental signs at the three high schools to promote safe driving during graduation at a total cost of \$567.00 to be funded from the operating budget.

CARRIED

10. i) Engineering Proposals

MOTION 07-389

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the engineering services recommendations be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

10. j) Waterline Thawing

MOTION 07-390

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the waterline thawing discussion be forwarded to the next Operations Committee meeting.

CARRIED

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Heritage Awards – Alberta Historical Resources
Foundation**

MOTION 07-391

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Heritage Awards – Alberta Historical Resources Foundation be received for information.

CARRIED

11. b) Rocky Lane Agricultural Society

MOTION 07-392

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Rocky Lane Agricultural Society thank you letter be received for information.

CARRIED

11. c) Advertising

MOTION 07-393

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the discussion regarding advertising be received for information.

CARRIED

11. d) Mackenzie County – 2007 Ratepayers Meeting

MOTION 07-394

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the 2007 budget be amended by including an additional \$10,000 from the General Operating Reserve towards the open houses, new flags purchases for each location and promotional material.

CARRIED

11. e) Alberta Seniors Advisory Council

MOTION 07-395

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That June 4 to 10, 2007 be declared Seniors' Week.

CARRIED

11. f) CAANA Annual General Meeting

MOTION 07-396

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That two Councillors be authorized to attend the CAANA annual general meeting to be held on May 16, 2007 in Edmonton.

CARRIED

11. g) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 07-397

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

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

CARRIED

MOTION 07-398

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Deputy Reeve or designate be authorized to attend the Fort Vermilion School Division long service and retirement awards banquet to be held on Friday, May 4, 2007.

CARRIED

11. h) AAMDC Call for Peer Group Participants

MOTION 07-399

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the AAMDC Call for Peer Group Participants be received for information.

CARRIED

11. i) Municipal Governance Amalgamation Review

MOTION 07-400

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Municipal Government Amalgamation Review between Lakeland County and the Town of Lac La Biche be received for information.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 07-401

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That consideration be given to move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 9:26 p.m.

- 12. a) Town of High Level Negotiations
- 12. b) Interim Budget

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 9:26 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Councillor Watson left the meeting at 10:27 p.m.

MOTION 07-402

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 11:04 p.m.

CARRIED

12. a) Town of High Level Negotiations

MOTION 07-403

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the letter to the Town of High Level be sent as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEXT MEETING DATE:

13. a) Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 8, 2007

10:00 a.m.

Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, Alberta

ADJOURNMENT

14. a) Adjournment

MOTION 07-404

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 11:06 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on Tuesday, May 8, 2007.

(signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant