

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**July 16, 2012  
7:30 p.m.**

**Fort Vermilion Council Chambers  
Fort Vermilion, AB**

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| <b>PRESENT:</b> | Bill Neufeld     | Reeve  |
|                 | Walter Sarapuk   | Deputy Reeve                                   |
|                 | Jacque Bateman   | Councillor                                     |
|                 | Peter F. Braun   | Councillor (teleconference, left at 9:00 p.m.) |
|                 | Elmer Derksen    | Councillor                                     |
|                 | Dicky Driedger   | Councillor                                     |
|                 | John W. Driedger | Councillor                                     |
|                 | Odell Flett      | Councillor                                     |
|                 | Eric Jorgensen   | Councillor                                     |
|                 | Lisa Wardley     | Councillor                                     |

**REGRETS:**

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|------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| <b>ADMINISTRATION:</b> | Joulia Whittleton     | Chief Administrative Officer                                     |
|                        | William (Bill) Kostiw | Director of Infrastructure Development &<br>Government Relations |
|                        | John Klassen          | Director of Environmental Services &<br>Operations               |
|                        | Carol Gabriel         | Manager of Legislative & Support Services                        |

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bruce Mackenzie, Alberta Emergency Management Agency  
Brice Daly, Alberta Emergency Management Agency  
Michelle Shesterniak, Wildfire Prevention Officer, Alberta  
Environment & Sustainable Resource Development  
Dave Schroeder, Prescribed Fire Program Coordinator, Alberta  
Environment & Sustainable Resource Development

Minutes of the Special Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on July 16, 2012 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

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

**MOTION 12-07-499            MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the agenda be adopted as amended to include:

- 3. c) Elected Officials Roles and Responsibilities – State of Local Emergency (AEMA)

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS:**

- 3. a) Elected Officials Roles & Responsibilities – State of Local Emergency (AEMA)**

**MOTION 12-07-500**

**MOVED** by Councillor Flett

That the presentation by Brice Daly and Bruce Mackenzie, from the Alberta Emergency Management Agency, regarding the elected officials roles and responsibilities during a state of local emergency be received for information.

**CARRIED**

- 3. b) Wilson Prairie Fire Update**

**MOTION 12-07-501**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the report from Environment & Sustainable Resource Development on the Wilson Prairie fire be received for information.

**CARRIED**

- 3. c) Zama Fire – State of Local Emergency**

Councillor Braun left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

**MOTION 12-07-502**

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the report from Environment & Sustainable Resource Development on the Zama fire be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 12-07-503**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That administration bring back a Mackenzie County volunteer fire fighter compensation proposal in regards to the 2012 wildfires.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 12-07-504**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration proceed with evacuee assistance as discussed.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 12-07-505**

**MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That consideration be given to compensate out of scope personnel for overtime in extraordinary circumstances.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**4. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 12-07-506**

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the Special Council meeting be adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved by Council on July 25, 2012.

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Bill Neufeld  
Reeve

(original signed)

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Joulia Whittleton  
Chief Administrative Officer