

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, February 9, 2010
10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT:

Greg Newman	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Peter F. Braun	Councillor
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Ed Froese	Councillor
Bill Neufeld	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor (<i>joined via teleconference from 1:35 p.m. to 1:49 p.m.</i>)
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Stuart Watson	Councillor

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION:

William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
John Klassen	Director of Operations (South)
Dave Crichton	Director of Operations (North)
Mary Jo Van Order	Director of Planning & Development
Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Media

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on February 9, 2010 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 10-02-087 MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 15. c) Zama Cornerstone Building
- 10. j) Public Lands

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) Minutes of the January 27, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 10-02-088

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the January 27, 2010 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4. a) None

DELEGATION:

5. a) None

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) Mackenzie Housing Management Board Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2009

MOTION 10-02-089

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Mackenzie Housing Management Board meeting minutes of December 14, 2009 be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-090

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Council request information on the Mackenzie Housing rent structure.

CARRIED

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

9. a) Council Committee Reports

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission, REDI forestry luncheon, and the Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie.

Councillor Braun reported on the Mackenzie Waste Management, La Crete Library teleconference, Municipal Planning Commission, Finance Committee meeting and the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Reeve Newman reported on the meeting with Ag Canada, Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie and the ISL

Engineering awards night in Calgary.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the Public Advisory Committee meeting, Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie, Northern Lights Forest Education Society meeting, Equipment Committee meeting, Finance Committee meeting, meeting with MP Chris Warkentin and the REDI forestry luncheon.

Councillor J. Driedger reported on the Equipment Committee meeting, Community Futures, Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie, new La Crete shop, and the meeting with MP Chris Warkentin.

Councillor Watson reported on the Mackenzie Waste Management and the Finance Committee meeting.

Councillor Wardley reported on the Zama Building meeting, Zama Fire Guard project, Airport Committee meeting, and the REDI workshop.

Councillor D. Driedger reported on the ASB Conference.

Councillor Neufeld reported on the La Crete Building Committee meeting, Airport Committee meeting, and the ASB Conference.

MOTION 10-02-091

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the Council committee reports be received for information.

CARRIED

9. b) CAO & Director Reports

MOTION 10-02-092

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That administration research establishing an Inter-Municipal Subdivision & Development Appeal Board (ISDAB) with the MD of Opportunity to be brought back to Council.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-093

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

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

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

CORPORATE SERVICES:

10. a) Bylaw 754/10 Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion Borrowing Bylaw

MOTION 10-02-094
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That first reading be given to Bylaw 754/10 being a borrowing bylaw for the Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion.

CARRIED

10. b) AAMD&C Member Visit

MOTION 10-02-095

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the AAMD&C member visit with Council be scheduled for March 9, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

CARRIED

10. c) AAMD&C Mayors' & Reeves' Meeting

MOTION 10-02-096

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the AAMD&C Mayors' & Reeves' meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

10. d) La Crete Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting

MOTION 10-02-097

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Councillors be invited to attend the La Crete Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting on February 19, 2010.

CARRIED

10. e) Sustainability Plan & Rail Road

MOTION 10-02-098

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Sustainability Council Committee meet with Activation Analysis Group to include the rail road portion in the

Sustainability Plan, up to a maximum of \$10,000 in additional funds.

CARRIED

10. g) Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society

MOTION 10-02-099

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council proclaim April 18 – 24, 2010 as National Victims of Crime Awareness Week and that the County donate to the Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society/Victim Services Unit banquet and that the Reeve speak at the event.

CARRIED

10. h) 2010 Ratepayers Meetings

MOTION 10-02-100

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2010 annual ratepayer meetings be held as follows:

- June 2, 2010 – La Crete
- June 3, 2010 – High Level/Rocky Lane
- June 8, 2010 – Fort Vermilion
- June 9, 2010 – Zama
- June 14, 2010 – Blue Hills

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-101

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a BBQ be held at each ratepayer meeting.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-102

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That administration bring back format options for the ratepayers meetings.

CARRIED

10. j) Public Lands (ADDITION)

MOTION 10-02-103

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the County lobby government to transfer the operation of public lands from Sustainable Resource Development to Alberta

Agriculture.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

11. a) Rural Water Project

MOTION 10-02-104

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That Council instruct administration to proceed with engineering and design of Phase 1 (Fort Vermilion/La Crete) of rural water as a municipal system.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

10. i) Remuneration Review Committee

MOTION 10-02-105

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the 2010 Remuneration Review Committee consist of two Councillors and three Members at Large and that a Terms of Reference be brought back to the next Council meeting before proceeding.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-106

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the following Members at Large be appointed to the 2010 Remuneration Review Committee:

1. Chad Hunley
2. Larry Neufeld
3. Dave Froese

CARRIED

11. b) La Crete Water Treatment Plant

MOTION 10-02-107

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the La Crete Water Treatment Plant project be moved in-camera.

CARRIED

11. c) Tompkins Crossing

MOTION 10-02-108

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That Council negotiate a renewal agreement with Alberta Transportation for the construction of the Tompkins ice-bridge.

CARRIED

11. d) Highway 88 Base/Paving Project

MOTION 10-02-109

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council write a letter of appreciation to the Premier, Hon. Frank Oberle, and Hon. Luke Ouellette as well as continue to lobby for the completion of all Highway 88 pavement.

CARRIED

11. e) AJA Friesen Road & Water Management Project

MOTION 10-02-110

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That Council accept the preliminary design for the AJA Friesen Road & water management project and proceed by request for proposals in two contracts with engineering limited to initial staking.

CARRIED

11. f) West La Crete Road/Highway 697

MOTION 10-02-111

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That administration work with Alberta Transportation to fix the West La Crete Road/Highway 697.

CARRIED

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

**12. a) Bylaw 711/09 Road Closure Part of Range Road 18-2,
West of SW 26-104-18-W5M and East of SE 27-104-18-
W5M (Tompkins Landing Area)**

MOTION 10-02-112

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council repeal MOTION 09-06-510 made on June 9, 2009, for the second reading of Bylaw 711/09, being a Road Closure Bylaw to close and sell a portion of government road allowance

18-2 adjacent to the west boundary of SW 26-104-18-W5M, commencing parallel with the north property line of SW 26-104-18-W5M, lying south of Blues Creek and continuing south to the north bank of an un-named creek.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-113

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 711/09, being a Road Closure Bylaw to close and sell a portion of government road allowance 18-2 adjacent to the west boundary of SW 26-104-18-W5M, commencing parallel with the north property line of SW 26-104-18-W5M, lying south of Blues Creek and continuing south to the north bank of an un-named creek.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-114

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 711/09, being a Road Closure Bylaw to close and sell a portion of government road allowance 18-2 adjacent to the west boundary of SW 26-104-18-W5M, commencing parallel with the north property line of SW 26-104-18-W5M, lying south of Blues Creek and continuing south to the north bank of an un-named creek.

CARRIED

12. b) Bylaw 734/09 Road Closure NE 10-109-13-W5M (Fort Vermilion Rural)

MOTION 10-02-115

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council repeal MOTION 09-10-834 made on October 13, 2009, for the second reading of Bylaw 734/09, being a road closure bylaw to close and sell (according to County policy and Ministerial approval) a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-116

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council repeal MOTION 09-10-835 made on October 13, 2009, for the second reading of Bylaw 734/09, being a road closure bylaw to close and sell (according to County policy and Ministerial approval) a portion of government road allowance

adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-117

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That second reading be given to Bylaw 734/09, being a road closure bylaw to close and sell, according to County policy, a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-118

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 734/09, being a road closure bylaw to close and sell, according to County policy, a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M.

CARRIED

12. c) Bylaw 749/09 Road Closure – Jacob Thiessen SE 13-107-15-W5M (Fort Vermilion Rural)

MOTION 10-02-119

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That first reading be given to Bylaw 749/09 being a road closure bylaw to close and sell that portion of the undeveloped road plan 2106EU, lying on the east half of 13-107-15-W5M as amended.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) Bylaw 753/09 to Amend Bylaw 618/07 Partial Cancellation of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 (Part of NW 13-106-15-W5M) (La Crete Rural)

Reeve Newman called the public hearing for Bylaw 753/09 to order at 1:10 p.m.

Reeve Newman asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 753/09 was properly advertised. Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Newman asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed land use bylaw amendment. Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development, presented the

Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on January 12, 2010.

Reeve Newman asked if Council has any questions of the proposed land use bylaw amendment.

Reeve Newman asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 753/09. No submissions were received.

Reeve Newman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 753/09. No one was present.

Reeve Newman closed the public hearing for Bylaw 753/09 at 1:13 p.m.

MOTION 10-02-120

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 753/09, being a bylaw amending the description in Bylaw 618/07 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting a portion of the subdivided lands back into NW 13-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-121

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That third reading be given to Bylaw 753/09, being a bylaw amending the description in Bylaw 618/07 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting a portion of the subdivided lands back into NW 13-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

CARRIED

TENDERS:

8. a) Zama Fire Guard Expansion Project Tender (FRIAA)

MOTION 10-02-122

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the Zama Fire Guard Expansion Project tenders be opened.

CARRIED

Tenders Received:

Sodergren Consulting	\$485,187.00
Buller Construction	\$258,880.00
Michalchuk	\$206,250.00
Ladco Mulchers	\$263,297.50

Timberbound Construction	\$307,535.00
Pineridge	\$253,205.00

MOTION 10-02-123

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Zama Fire Guard Expansion Project tender be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder.

CARRIED

12. d) Airport Development Committee: Terms of Reference

MOTION 10-02-124

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council approve the revised Terms of Reference and Staffing for the Airport Development Committee as presented.

CARRIED

12. e) Airport Development Committee: Airport Expansion Plans

Councillor Watson left the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

MOTION 10-02-125

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council approve plans to expand the Fort Vermilion airport length to 3990 feet at its current width (100 feet) and expand the La Crete airport length to 3990 feet, extend width to 100 feet and proceed to tender with separate schedules.

CARRIED

12. f) Airport Development Committee: Zama Airstrip Improvements

MOTION 10-02-126

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council authorizes administration to acquire the necessary documents and estimates with respect to reconstruction of the entrance and construct concrete helipads with power and lights at the Zama City in-town strip for incorporation into the 2010 budget.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 1:26 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:35 p.m. with all members present.

Councillor Toews joined the meeting via teleconference at 1:35 p.m.

12. g) Airport Development Committee: Restrict Development

MOTION 10-02-127

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That any development in the airport areas within the municipality be brought to Council to control development within one mile to protect the flight paths until the AVPA takes over development.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**EMERGENCY &
ENFORCEMENT
SERVICES:**

13. a) None

10. f) Electoral Boundary Review

MOTION 10-02-128

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council hire Beacon for Change to move forward to complete a census and an electoral boundary review based on the demographics of the County including population, geographic regions, shadow population, overall equality, assessment, and as per Mackenzie County's specialized status as per Order in Council No. 54/2001, and that the quality of the review not be jeopardized by timelines.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Toews left the meeting at 1:49 p.m.

MOTION 10-02-129

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the reconstruction of the entrance and construction of concrete helipads with power and lights at the Zama City in-town strip be deferred to the final 2010 budget discussions.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE**

14. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 10-02-130

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Councillors be authorized to attend the REDI Symposium on

March 15 – 17, 2010 in High Level.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-131

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

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

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 10-02-132

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 1:55 p.m.

- 15. a) Personnel
- 15. b) La Crete RV Park
- 15. c) Zama Cornerstone Building
- 11. c) La Crete Water Treatment Plant

CARRIED

MOTION 10-02-133

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 2:33 p.m.

CARRIED

15. a) Personnel

MOTION 10-02-134

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the personnel report be received as discussed.

CARRIED

15. b) La Crete RV Park

MOTION 10-02-135

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration bring back cost and funding options to proceed with building a road and/or water line to the La Crete RV Park.

CARRIED

15. c) Zama Cornerstone Building (ADDITION)

MOTION 10-02-136

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That administration proceed with the Zama Cornerstone Building as discussed.

CARRIED

11. c) La Crete Water Treatment Plant

MOTION 10-02-137

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That administration be authorized to negotiate a final settlement with the contractor regarding the La Crete Water Treatment Plant.

CARRIED

8. b) La Crete Truck Fill Upgrade Tender

MOTION 10-02-138

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the La Crete Truck Fill Upgrade tenders be opened.

CARRIED

Tenders Received:

Nortec	\$124,773.00
Aegis Mechanical	\$ 87,300.00

MOTION 10-02-139

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the La Crete Truck Fill Upgrade tender be awarded to the lowest qualifying bidder that complies with the 2010 budget.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE:

16. a) Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 24, 2010
4:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

ADJOURNMENT:

17. a) Adjournment

MOTION 10-02-140

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on February 24, 2010.

Original Signed _____

Greg Newman
Reeve

Original Signed _____

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer