

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

La Crete Council Chambers, La Crete, Alberta

Thursday August 22, and Friday August 23, 1996

AUGUST 22, 1996

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Betty Bateman	Councillor
Elmer Derksen	Councillor
Jake L. Peters	Councillor
Reuben Derksen	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor
Reg Scarfe	Councillor
Frank Rosenberger	Councillor
Bill Fedeyko	Councillor
Ernest Dyck	Councillor

ALSO PRESENT:

Dennis Litke	Chief Administrative Officer
Eva Schmidt	Municipal Secretary, Recording Secretary
Roger Borchert	Manager of Public Works
Hugh Dennis	Treasurer

GALLERY:

Patty Williams	Mackenzie Ratepayers Committee
Pat Kulscar	Mackenzie Ratepayers Committee
Warren Ferguson	Reporter, Northern Pioneer

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, held on Thursday August 22, and Friday August 23, 1996 in the Mustus Lake Centre Council Chambers, La Crete, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER:

1 a) Call to Order - Regular Council Meeting

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order 10:07 a.m.

**ADOPTION OF
AGENDA:**

1 b) Adoption of the Agenda

The following additions were made to the agenda:

- 8 p) Dangerous Goods Route
- 10 e) Wadlin Lake Lots
- 4 f) Hawkers and Peddlers Bylaw
- 9 e) Old Bay House
- 8 q) Zama Airstrip
- 3 a) Council Meeting Date - Zama
- 9 f) E-911
- 8 j) Canada-Agri Infrastructure
- 11 b) Forestry Liaison Committee Reports
- 11 c) Alberta Forest Products
- 11 d) Prince Rupert
- 11 e) Tourism
- 9 a) Move to 12 b)
- 3 b) Move to Finance 5 d)

MOTION 96-470

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

2 a) Minutes of the July 22 & 23, 1996 Council Meeting

Councillor Fedeyko noted that motion 96-466 and 96-467 were recorded votes and therefore should appear as such. Manager Litke said that the recorded votes would be brought to Council later in the meeting.

Councillor R. Derksen noted that on item 11 a) should read "meeting with Tom Thurber, Alberta Municipal Affairs" and that the meeting was held in "Grande Prairie, Re: Housing."

Councillor Dyck pointed out that Motion 96-420 should read "July 23".

The minutes were tabled until later in the meeting when the recorded votes on motions 96-466 and 96-467 would be made available.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

3. a) Managers Report

Chief Administrative Officer, Dennis Litke, confirmed upcoming Council meeting dates as follows:

September 10, 1996, 10 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the High Level Provincial Building, High Level.

September 26 & 27, 1996, 10 a.m. in the Fort Vermilion Library Meeting Room, Fort Vermilion.

October 8, 1996, 10 a.m. in the Zama Hall, Zama.

October 24 & 25, 1996, at 10 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the Mustus Lake Centre, La Crete.

A meeting will be held on Monday, August 26, 1996 regarding the green zone/white zone issue.

A Public meeting on Zama lots is to be held in the Zama Hall, Zama, on September 16, 1996, at 7 p.m. A report on Community Forest should also be presented at this meeting.

MOTION 96-471

MOVED by Councillor Bateman that Reeve Neufeld, Councillor Sarapuk, and Councillor R. Derksen attend the meeting to formulate the presentation to Alberta Land and Forest Services concerning the balance of green zone/white zone issue.

CARRIED

3 b) Assessment Report

This item was moved to 5 d).

BYLAWS:

4 a) Bylaw 062/96 To establish a Fee Schedule for Services

Councillor Rosenberger stated that the M.D. should discontinue the sale of snowplow flags, clearing driveways should be done by the private sector.

Councillor Fedeyko said he would like to have this service phased out when a similar service is made available by the private sector. Councillor Fedeyko stated that the price of snowplow flags should be increased to promote the private sector.

Councillor R. Derksen objected, pointing out that M.D. 23 should not eliminate this service completely since some rural areas are very isolated.

Snowplow flag fees are to be increased to \$30 per flag.
Manager Litke asked if this would apply to seniors.

Used culverts are to be given away on site with the Public Works Department ensuring that not all culverts go to the same person.

Councillor Fedeyko proposed decreasing the charge for photocopies to \$0.25, this was defeated because the M.D. does not want to take this business away from the private sector.

Dog tags are to be restricted to hamlet only and the fee is to be changed to \$10 for neutered dogs and \$25 for dogs that are not neutered.

The ASB Schedule "A" is to be revised on the recommendations of the Agricultural Service Board.

Brush Disposal is to be removed from the Bylaw.

MOTION 96-472

MOVED by Councillor Dyck to give first reading to Bylaw 062/96 to establish a fee schedule for services.

CARRIED

4 b) **Bylaw 061/96 To Establish an Energy Fee**

The name of the Bylaw is to be changed to "Energy Disposition Fees".

Councillor Bateman said she would like the fees to be raised.

Councillor Fedeyko pointed out that the area affected needs to be better defined. Manager Litke suggested including a map of the exact area.

MOTION 96-473

MOVED by Councillor R. Derksen to give first reading to Bylaw 061/96 to establish energy disposition fees.

CARRIED

4 c) **Bylaw 039/96 Council Organization Bylaw**

MOTION 96-474

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko to give second reading to Bylaw 039/96 to provide the organizational and procedural matters of Council, Council Committees and Councillors.

CARRIED

4 d) This item was removed from the agenda.

4 e) **Bylaw 045/96 Re: Hamlet Addressing**

This item will be addressed along with the Planning and Development items.

4 f) **Hawkers and Peddlers Bylaw**

Councillor Peters asked Council to revisit the Hawkers and Peddlers Bylaw. La Crete businesses need to have such a bylaw in place.

Councillor Bateman noted that the businesses should attend the Council meetings to make Council aware of their problem with hawkers and peddlers.

MOTION 96-475

MOVED by Councillor Peters to table the Hawkers and Peddlers Bylaw issue to be reviewed at the next M.D. Council meetings in Fort Vermilion, Zama, and La Crete and to ask for public presentations to be made.

CARRIED

- 4 g) **Bylaw 056/96 To Amend the Land Use Bylaw to Allow for General Residential Development in the Hamlet of La Crete**

This item will be addressed along with the Planning and Development items.

- 4 h) This item was removed from the agenda.

- 4 i) This item was removed from the agenda.

- 4 j) **Bylaw 063/96 To Add "(15) Mobile Home Sales and Service" to the List of Discretionary Uses in Section 7.18 - HM1**

This item will be addressed along with the Planning and Development items.

Hugh Dennis entered the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

FINANCIAL:

- 5 a) **Budget Summary Report to July 31, 1996**

Hugh Dennis, Treasurer, presented a Capital Budget Summary.

Airport landing fees were discussed. Councillor Rosenberger said Little Red Air is willing to take care of the airport if M.D. 23 makes such an agreement.

Reeve Neufeld reminded Administration to check how such an agreement would affect funding.

Administration is to prepare and negotiate an agreement to sublet the Fort Vermilion Airport to Little Red Air and to bring recommendations back to Council.

Mr. Dennis reported there has been a hold put on some projects because of the majority of the tax money coming in on August 1, 1996.

MOTION 96-476

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger to accept the budget summary report as information.

CARRIED

- 5 b) **Cheque Listings for July 1996**

Mr. Dennis presented the cheque listing for July 1996.

MOTION 96-477

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko to accept the cheque listing for July 1996 as information.

CARRIED

- 5 c) **Report on Coin Meters at Water Points**

Mr. Dennis presented a report on coin meters at the various water points. Mr. Dennis pointed out that occasionally there is a slight discrepancy in amounts because of quarters jamming in the coin meters.

MOTION 96-478

MOVED by Councillor R. Derksen to go into camera at 11:43 a.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-479

MOVED by Councillor Bateman to come out of camera at 11:53 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld called a lunch recess at 11:53 a.m. and reconvened at 12:59 p.m.

GALLERY:

Patty Williams	Mackenzie Ratepayers Committee
Pat Kulscar	Mackenzie Ratepayers Committee
Warren Ferguson	Reporter, Northern Pioneer
Margaret Pietsch	

5 d) Assessment Report

An assessment report was not available at this time.

Councillor Bateman asked that in the event that M.D. 23 decides to replace the assessors, when would this have to be done?

Manager Litke replied the assessors would have to be replaced during the fall.

Patty Williams asked the Chair why the M.D. would not put the assessment to tender.

Reeve Neufeld replied that putting the assessment to tender is something the M.D. might consider, in which case Mr. Dennis would examine the issue.

5 e) Letter from Environmental Protection Re: \$300 000 for High Level Regional Landfill Authority

Council had a short discussion concerning the distribution of funds between the M.D. 23 and Rainbow Lake, Mr. Dennis was asked to check the agreement.

DELEGATIONS:

6 a) There were no delegations.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

7 a) Tabled for tomorrow's meeting, August 23, 1996.

PUBLIC WORKS:

8 a) La Crete Lift Station # 5

Manager of Public Works, Roger Borchert, reported that the lift station has been ordered and the government has approved it. The reason for tenders coming in so high was because of the high water table and the old dugouts being present.

Mr. Borchert reported that the lift station site has been moved further onto the property because of the old dugouts. Mr. Borchert proposed to hire contractors on an hourly basis with a specified maximum amount. He proposed to hire Peter's Excavating on an hourly rate because he has the lowest equipment quotes.

Council suggested Mr. Borchert approach Dechant Construction on this issue because he was the lowest bidder, and then go with equipment quotes.

MOTION 96-480

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko to retender for invitational tender for the use of equipment to install Lift Station No. 5, and that the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 supply the lift station and all materials.

CARRIED

8 b) **Letter of Authorization No. 96-206-EXT from Alberta Environment Protection Re: La Crete Wastewater System**

This item was received as information.

8 c) **Letter of Authorization No. 96-205-EXT Re: La Crete Residential Subdivision, Phase 3E**

This item was received as information.

8 d) **Letter to Fort Vermilion School Division Re: New Walkway on Legal Lot 12 Block 14 Plan 852 2227**

This item was received as information.

8 e) **Post - Closure Care of Landfill Sites**

Mr. Borchert reported that he has been proving out land fill sites and dealing with people from Alberta Environment. Mr. Borchert had invited four firms to give the M.D. a proposal and received back three proposals. Mr. Borchert recommended Omni-McCann's proposal be accepted because of the convenience and cost savings created because they are already working in the area.

Legislation changes on landfill site closures that were expected to be in effect on September 1, 1996 have been delayed. Mr. Borchert reported that the Landfill site at Indian Cabins has been closed and back filled. Landfill sites at Meander River, Steen River, and Zama have been checked. The landfill site at Meander River might only need land fill. The Zama landfill site should be completed by September 1, 1996. That leaves the La Crete land fill site to do after September 1, 1996.

MOTION 96-481

MOVED by Councillor R. Derksen to go into camera at 2:21 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-482

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko to come out of camera at 2:36 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-483

MOVED by Councillor Bateman hire Omni-McCann Consulting Ltd. to deal with Post-closure of Landfill sites being closed in Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23.

CARRIED

8 f) **Report on Northwest Transportation Corridor Task Force Meeting**

Roger Borchert gave a report on the Northwest Transportation Corridor Task Force meeting that he attended in Prince George. The Task Force recognizes that there are huge resources in M.D. 23 and the Fort Nelson region.

Councillor Fedeyko pointed out that it is not feasible to haul grain through Fort Nelson because they only have light rail. High Level only has light rail to Hawk Hills.

Mr. Borchert replied that there is only a 12 kilometer section of light rail between Fort Nelson and Prince Rupert.

8 g) La Crete Lift Station # 5

This item was covered under 8 a).

8 h) High Level (South) Flood Control

Council discussed the proposed easement agreement for the High Level South Flood Control which was proposed for Mrs. Pietsch.

Manager Litke pointed out that numerous items were added to this easement agreement by Mrs. Pietsch and that it is not the M.D.'s standard easement agreement. Mr. Litke then proceeded to read all added items.

Councillor Bateman asked what size bridge the M.D. would have to install. Mr. Borchert answered it would be quite costly. Councillor Bateman asked Mrs. Pietsch if she would be happy with a low level crossing. Mrs. Pietsch said no because it would not be accessible year round, but she would be happy with a high level crossing (culverts). Mrs. Pietsch said the property is shaped like a spoon so the water collects there and has no place to go.

Councillor Fedeyko reported that he had asked Mrs. Pietsch if she was happy with the original document and she said that she was. Councillor Fedeyko pointed out that a crossing is not in that document. The M.D. might, as an alternative, consider digging a 450 ft. ditch around the Pietsch property instead of supplying a crossing.

Reeve Neufeld thanked Mrs. Pietsch for attending the meeting and she left at 1:36 p.m.

MOTION 96-484

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko that Public Works Manager, Roger Borchert, explore the possibility of alternate routing for the High Level South flood control project.

CARRIED

8 i) Hamlet Paving Programs

Roger Borchert reported that tender packages for the hamlet paving programs came in at \$267 726.84 from Ruel Bros. Contracting and \$293 374.37 from Knelsen Sand and Gravel. Ruel Bros. are anticipating the completion date to be October 16, 1996 and Knelsen Sand and Gravel's completion date was set for September 30, 1996.

MOTION 96-485

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko that the tender for the La Crete and Fort Vermilion hamlet paving programs be awarded to Ruel Bros. Contracting at their quoted price of \$267 726.84.

CARRIED

8 j) Canada-Agri Infrastructure

Councillor Fedeyko suggested that the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 make a proposal to the Peace Region Municipal Districts **to make a joint application to repair the Wahnam bridge rail approaches and** to make a joint recommendation and lobby in the attempt to acquire all the railways north of Edmonton. Councillor Fedeyko suggested that the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency, along with the Northern Alberta Development Council be asked to draw up an application and find out how much interest there is in other M.D.'s and companies. Currently Canadian National Railways **is dictating our economical development** and they do not want to share revenue with BC Rail.

MOTION 96-486

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko to ask the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency to poll all their members to determine the interest to apply for a joint project under the Canada-Agri Infrastructure Program for northern transportation.

CARRIED

8 k) Plow Truck/Sander Requirements for Winter 1996/97

In the past the M.D. has been contracting out the snowplowing of Secondary Highway 697. Contractor, Ken Wiebe, has indicated that he does not want to spend the money on equipment if the M.D. doesn't contract out on an extended period of time, such as five year contracts. Mr. Borchert said that in light of this information, his recommendation to Council is to purchase a plow truck. Councillor Rosenberger asked if Mr. Borchert had checked into getting a lease agreement on a plow truck. Mr. Borchert said he had not, but he will check.

MOTION 96-487

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger to table this item until tomorrow's meeting.

CARRIED

8 l) Fox Lake Road Re-gravel

Public Works Manager, Roger Borchert, informed Council that he and Councillor Scarfe toured the Fox Lake Road one day after it had been graded and it was still in bad shape. Mr. Borchert said the road itself is going down not just the low areas. The proposal for work to be done at this time is the very minimum that needs to be done to ensure we are not losing what we have at the present time.

MOTION 96-488

MOVED by Councillor Scarfe to go into camera at 3:27 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-489

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger to come out of camera at 3:36 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-490

MOVED by Councillor Scarfe to gravel the Fox Lake Road and that it be funded out of Operating Reserves.

CARRIED

8 m) Machesis Lake Flood Control Project

MOTION 96-491

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk that Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 enter into an agreement with the Government of Alberta on the Machesis Lake Flood Control, Township 108, Range 15, west of the fifth meridian.

CARRIED

8 n) Zama Access Road Improvements

Roger Borchert reported that this is an information item to make Council aware that the Zama Access Road has been tendered in the local paper and Alberta Road Builders and the Construction News.

The design on the Zama Access Road was sent to the Alberta Government and so far they have had only minor questions.

Manager Litke or Public Works Manager Borchert will attend the opening of the tenders on September 4, 1996 at the UMA office in Edmonton.

Tenders will then be reviewed and brought to the September 10 Council Meeting in High Level.

8 o) **La Crete East Flood Control Update**

A letter received from Jim Amierault reports that surveying has started at the northeast end where there are no crops and hopefully the crops will be off by the time they get to crop areas. There should be no crop damage this way.

Councillor Dyck said that a meeting with farmers is planned for this fall, to get their ideas on how to deal with this project so there will be no crop damage.

8 p) **Dangerous Goods Route**

Councillor Peters suggested that 99th street in La Crete be zoned as a Dangerous Goods Route.

There was some discussion on this matter and Council asked Roger Borchert and Paul Driedger to investigate the matter.

8 q) **Zama Airstrip**

Councillor Bateman reported that Pentastar would like to do some work at the airstrip and they would like authorization to remove some trees and proceed with work.

Mr. Borchert will examine the situation.

OLD BUSINESS

9 a) **Letter from Alberta Environmental Protection**
Re: White Zone/Green Zone Land Transfer Proposal

This item was moved to 12 b).

9 b) **Letter from Alberta Environmental Protection**
Re: Fort Vermilion Airport

This item was received as information.

9 c) **Letter from Canada/Alberta Infrastructure Works**

This item was received as information.

9 d) **Letter from Robert (Butch) Fischer, Minister**
Alberta Transportation and Utilities
Re: Highway 88

This item was received as information.

9 e) **The Old Bay House**

MOTION 96-492

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger that Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 give a \$10 000 grant to the Old Bay House Society.

DEFEATED

MOTION 96-493

MOVED by Councillor Scarfe to table this item until after the sod turning on Saturday, August 31, 1996.

CARRIED

9 f) E-911 Steering Committee

Information was passed out and Councillor Fedeyko asked the Council to review the information tonight and bring back any questions or concerns at tomorrow's meeting.

MOTION 96-494

MOVED by Councillor E. Derksen to recess this meeting at 4:10 p.m. and reconvene at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 23, 1996.

CARRIED

AUGUST 23, 1996

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Betty Bateman	Councillor
Elmer Derksen	Councillor
Jake L. Peters	Councillor
Reuben Derksen	Councillor
Reg Scarfe	Councillor
Frank Rosenberger	Councillor
Bill Fedeyko	Councillor
Ernest Dyck	Councillor

ABSENT:

Walter Sarapuk	Councillor
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ALSO PRESENT:

Dennis Litke, C.A.O.
Eva Schmidt, Municipal Secretary, Recording Secretary
Roger Borchert, Manager of Public Works
Chris Kelland, Agricultural Fieldman
Paul Driedger, Senior Development Officer

GALLERY:

Pat Kulscar	Mackenzie Ratepayers Committee
Warren Ferguson	Reporter, Northern Pioneer

CALL TO ORDER:

1. a) **Call to Order**

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

1 c) **Agricultural Service Board Report**

Agricultural Fieldman, Chris Kelland, gave a short verbal report on agricultural issues.

BYLAWS:

4 j) **Bylaw 063/96 To Add "(15) Mobile Home Sales and Service" to the List of Discretionary Uses in Section 7.18 - HM1**

MOTION 96-495

MOVED by Councillor R. Derksen to give first reading to Bylaw 063/96 to amend the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 Land Use Bylaw by adding "(15) Mobile home sales and service" to the list of discretionary uses in Section 7.18 - Hamlet Industrial District 1 (HM1).

CARRIED

MOTION 96-496

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger to give second reading to Bylaw 063/96 to amend the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 Land Use Bylaw by adding "(15) Mobile home sales and service" to the list of discretionary uses in Section 7.18 - Hamlet Industrial District 1 (HM1).

CARRIED

MOTION 96-497

MOVED by Councillor Bateman to give unanimous consent for third reading to Bylaw 063/96 to amend the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 Land Use Bylaw by adding "(15) Mobile home sales and service" to the list of discretionary uses in Section 7.18 - Hamlet Industrial District 1 (HM1), at this time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 96-498

MOVED by Councillor Peters to give third and final reading to Bylaw 063/96 to amend the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 Land Use Bylaw by adding "(15) Mobile home sales and service" to the list of discretionary uses in Section 7.18 - Hamlet Industrial District 1 (HM1).

CARRIED

MINUTES:

2 a) Minutes of July 22 & 23, 1996, Council Meeting

Manager Litke read the recorded vote on Motion 96-466 as follows:

A recorded vote was requested by Councillor Fedeyko.

In Favour:

Reeve Neufeld
Councillor Bateman
Councillor R. Derksen
Councillor E. Derksen
Councillor Scarfe
Councillor Rosenberger
Councillor Dyck

Opposed:

Councillor Fedeyko
Councillor Sarapuk

Manager Litke read the recorded vote on Motion 96-467 as follows:

A recorded vote was requested by Councillor Fedeyko.

In Favour:

Reeve Neufeld
Councillor Bateman
Councillor E. Derksen
Councillor R. Derksen
Councillor Scarfe
Councillor Rosenberger

Opposed:

Councillor Dyck
Councillor Fedeyko
Councillor Sarapuk

MOTION 96-499

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger to adopt the minutes of the July 22 and 23 Council meeting as corrected.

CARRIED

Development Appeal Board members Councillors Peters, Bateman, and R. Derksen, and Manager Litke left the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT**

**7. a) Subdivision Application 96MK048 - A. Rempel
Farmstead Separation**

MOTION 96-500

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger to recommend approval on subdivision application 96MK048.

CARRIED

7 b) **Subdivision Application 96MK049 - D. Goertzen
Farmstead Separation**

Development Officer, Paul Driedger, informed Council that the proposal to subdivide 7 acres was to accommodate an existing parcel containing a dugout. There is no conflict with the proposal.

MOTION 96-501

MOVED by Councillor E. Derksen to recommend approval on subdivision application 96MK049.

CARRIED

7 c) **Reddi Mart Parking**

Paul Driedger informed Council that he has received a Development Permit application for a clothing store in the Reddi Mart building. There is still the problem with parking.

Council suggested that the Development Officer insert a condition on the Notice of Decision that parking be at the rear of the building.

Development Appeal Board members Councillors Peters, Bateman, R Derksen, and Manager Litke re-entered the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

BYLAWS:

4 e) **Bylaw 045/96 - Hamlet Addressing
For Third Reading**

MOTION 96-502

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko to give third reading to Bylaw 045/96 to implement the numbering of parcels of land and buildings within the hamlets of the municipality.

CARRIED

4 g) **Bylaw 056/96 - Rezone Lots from HR1A to HR1**

MOTION 96-503

MOVED by Councillor Dyck to give third reading to Bylaw 056/96 to amend the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 Land Use Bylaw to rezone lots 12, 13, 14, 15, Block 22, Plan 962-1378 and Lot 44, Block 15, Plan 942-2756 from Hamlet Residential 1A District (HR-1A) to Hamlet Residential 1 District (HR1).

CARRIED

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Hearing

A Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Hearing was set for 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 17, 1996 to be held in the Council Chambers of the Mustus Lake Centre in La Crete.

La Crete Ambulance Insurance

Paul Driedger asked if the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 would consider insuring the La Crete Ambulance. He informed Council that having the ambulance covered by the M.D.'s insurance would save approximately \$2 500 annually.

Mr. Driedger was told that this could be taken care of by Administration.

Paul Driedger left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

10 a) **North Paddle River Community Cemetery Grant Request**

MOTION 96-504

MOVED by Councillor Bateman to go into camera at 10:58 a.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-505

MOVED by Councillor Bateman to come out of camera at 11:39 a.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-506

MOVED by Councillor R. Derksen to pay the \$500 Cemetery Grant to the North Paddle River Community and fund it out of operating reserves.

CARRIED

A short discussion ensued. Council instructed Administration to set the next budget cycle deadline for December 31. Administration will notify all the churches about the deadline. Any applications received for the Cemetery Grant after December 31 will not be considered.

10 b) **Alberta Society of Engineering Technologists Letter
Re: 25th Anniversary**

MOTION 96-507

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko to proclaim September 1, 1996 as Technicians and Technologists Day in Municipal District No. 23, and send a letter of congratulations to the Alberta Society of Engineering Technologists on their 25th anniversary.

CARRIED

10 c) **Family and Community Support Services Discussion Paper**

This item was received as information.

10 d) **Hutch Lake meeting set for August 24, 1996
At Hutch Lake at 1:00 PM**

This item was received as information.

10 e) **Wadlin Lake**

Councillor Peters suggested Council explore the possibility of creating lots at Wadlin Lake, similar to the lots at Hutch Lake.

Reeve Neufeld said this idea should be discussed with the Wadlin Lake Committee.

MOTION 96-508

MOVED by Councillor Peters to explore the possibility of selling lots at Wadlin Lake.

CARRIED

Manager Litke informed Council that building the picnic tables for Wadlin Lake had come in under budget and Council agreed that the surplus be spent in extending the Wadlin Lake campsites.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS;**

11 a) Ecological Management Meeting August 9, 1996

Reeve Neufeld gave a short oral report on the Ecological Management Meeting on August 9, 1996.

11 b) Forestry Liaison Committee Report

Councillor Fedeyko gave a short oral report on the Forestry Liaison Committee.

Reeve Neufeld called a lunch recess at 11:59 a.m. and reconvened at 12:58 p.m.

GALLERY:

Beth Kulscar Mackenzie Ratepayers Committee

11 c) Alberta Forest Products

Councillor Fedeyko reported that the Alberta Forest Products held a workshop in High Level, and are planning a meeting at the Edmonton Inn in Edmonton.

11 d) Port of Prince Rupert

Councillor Fedeyko reported that the committee had met with the Port of Prince Rupert who came up and gave information on their size and the size of other ports. Prince Rupert is promoting their area and trying to get business to their port. Apparently there is a three ~~hour~~^{day} advantage when shipping to Japan from the Port of Prince Rupert rather than shipping from the Vancouver port. Prince Rupert is promoting their port as the port outlet for Northwestern Canada.

11 e) Tourism

Councillor Scarfe reported that the Land of the Mighty Peace Tourist Association will send people up for a Council meeting. Councillor Scarfe said he would like to have a delegate from every area at that meeting.

Paul Driedger entered the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

9 f) E-911 Steering Committee

Councillor Fedeyko asked Council to respond to the two questions in the E-911 Steering Committee package passed out at yesterday's meeting, and choose their preferred option.

Jerry Chomiak has offered to let his name stand as chairperson for the E-911 Steering Committee.

MOTION 96-509

MOVED by Councillor Fedeyko that the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 support Option 1 and support Jerry Chomiak as chairperson to the E-911 Steering Committee.

CARRIED

Warren Ferguson entered the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

11 e) Northern Forest Meeting

Councillor E. Derksen gave a short oral report on the Northern Forest meeting he attended in Peace River.

11 f) W.A.C. Bennett Dam

Reeve Neufeld reported that he had asked B.C. Hydro to keep the local papers and the Manager of Public Works informed about the rise and fall of the Peace River.

OLD AMBULANCE

Council instructed Paul Driedger to sell the old ambulance by auction.

Roger Borchert entered the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Paul Driedger left the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS:

8 k) Plow Truck/Sander Requirements for Winter 1996/97

MOTION 96-510

MOVED by Councillor R. Derksen to buy the Ford snowplow truck plus the wing for an approximate total of \$135,000, and fund it out of the equipment budget remaining from the grader purchase.

Councillor Dyck requested a recorded vote.

In Favour:

Reeve Neufeld
Councillor Bateman
Councillor Rosenberger
Councillor E. Derksen
Councillor Scarfe
Councillor R. Derksen
Councillor Peters
~~Councillor Sarapak~~

Opposed:

Bill Fedeyko
Ernest Dyck

CARRIED

BRIDGE MATERIALS INVENTORY LETTER FROM AAMD&C

Manager Litke distributed a letter from AAMD&C regarding bridge materials inventory.

MOTION 96-511

MOVED by Councillor Bateman that the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 not participate in the bridge materials inventory at this time.

CARRIED

MOTION 96-512

MOVED by Councillor E. Derksen to go into camera at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF
THE WHOLE:

12 a) Letter of Resignation

12 b) Letter from Alberta Environmental Protection
White Zone/Green Zone Land Transfer Proposal

This item was moved from 9 a).

OTHER BUSINESS;

13. a) Other Business

Councillor Fedeyko left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Councillor E. Derksen left the meeting at 2:36 p.m.

MOTION 96-513

MOVED by Councillor Bateman to come out of camera at 2:50 p.m.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

14. a) **Adjournment**

MOTION 96-514

MOVED by Councillor Peters to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this 10 day of September 1996.



William Neufeld Reeve



Dennis Litke, C.A.O.