

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 23, 2019
10:00 a.m.**

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

PRESENT:

Josh Knelsen	Reeve (arrived at 10:36 a.m.)
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Jacque Bateman	Councillor
Peter F. Braun	Councillor
Cameron Cardinal	Councillor
David Driedger	Councillor
Eric Jorgensen	Councillor
Anthony Peters	Councillor
Ernest Peters	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor

REGRETS:

ADMINISTRATION:

Len Racher	Chief Administrative Officer
Byron Peters	Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Doug Munn	Director of Community Services
Carol Gabriel	Director of Legislative & Support Services/Recording Secretary
Jennifer Batt	Interim Director of Finance
Fred Wiebe	Director of Utilities
Grant Smith	Agricultural Fieldman
Dave Fehr	Director of Operations
Don Roberts	Zama Site Manager

ALSO PRESENT:

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on October 23, 2019 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

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

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 19-10-621 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the agenda be approved with the following additions:

- 3. b) Minutes of the October 22, 2019 Organizational Council Meeting
- 9. a) Campgrounds
- 14. b) Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: 4. a) **Kelly McTaggart, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers**

MOTION 19-10-622 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the presentation by the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers be received for information.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: 4. b) **Fort Vermilion Agricultural Society – Museum Roof Retrofitting Project**

Reeve Knelsen arrived at 10:36 a.m. and assumed the Chair.

MOTION 19-10-623 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley
Requires 2/3

That the County purchase the tin and insulation for the Museum Roof Retrofitting Project at a cost of \$8,600.00 with funds coming from the General Capital Reserve.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: 4. c) **Mackenzie Aquatics Society – Mackenzie Wellness Centre Project Update**

MOTION 19-10-624 **MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That the Mackenzie Wellness Centre Project Update be received for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 11:46 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:56 a.m with all members present with the exception of Councillor Driedger and Councillor Jorgensen.

DELEGATIONS: 4. d) Fort Vermilion RCMP – Statistics and Enhanced Policing Report

Councillor Driedger rejoined the meeting at 12:00 p.m.
Councillor Jorgensen rejoined the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 12:29 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

MOTION 19-10-625 MOVED by Councillor E. Peters

That the RCMP crime statistics and enhanced policing report be received for information.

CARRIED

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: 3. a) Minutes of the October 8, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 19-10-626 MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the minutes of the October 8, 2019 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: 3. b) Minutes of the October 22, 2019 Organizational Council Meeting (ADDITION)

MOTION 19-10-627 Requires Unanimous **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the October 22, 2019 Organizational Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. c) Business Arising out of the Minutes

None.

TENDERS: 5. a) None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6. a) None

**GENERAL
REPORTS:**

**7. a) Disaster Recovery Program (DRP) Updates
(Standing Item)**

MOTION 19-10-628

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the disaster recovery program update be received for information.

CARRIED

**AGRICULTURE
SERVICES:**

8. a) None

**COMMUNITY
SERVICES:**

9. a) Campgrounds (ADDITION)

MOTION 19-10-629
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Cardinal

That the campgrounds discussion be received for information.

CARRIED

FINANCE:

10. a) Agreement Extension – Assessment Services

MOTION 19-10-630
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the agreement with Compass Assessment Consultants Inc. be extended to include July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 , the 2020 assessment for the 2021 taxation year.

CARRIED

FINANCE:

**10. b) Finance Charges – Request to Remove Finance
Charges on Invoice #26778 & #26779**

MOTION 19-10-631

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the request to remove finance charges on Invoice #26778 and #26779 be denied.

CARRIED

OPERATIONS

11. a) None

UTILITIES

12. a) La Crete Well #3 Mechanical Cleaning

MOTION 19-10-632
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the budget be amended to include the mechanical cleaning of well #3 in La Crete with funding in the amount of \$55,000 coming from the Water/Sewer Infrastructure Reserve.

CARRIED

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

13. a) Bylaw 1158-19 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to add the definition of Dwelling-Multi-Family to Section 2.3.1, adding permitting regulations for Dwelling-Multi-Family to Section 8.19 and to Add Dwelling-Multi-Family as a Discretionary Use to the Hamlet Residential 1 “HR1” and Hamlet Residential 2 “HR2” Districts of the Land Use Bylaw

MOTION 19-10-633

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 1158-19 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment to add the definition of Dwelling-Multi-Family to Section 2.3.1, adding permitting regulations for Dwelling-Multi-Family to Section 8.19 of the Land Use Bylaw and to Add Dwelling-Multi-Family as a Discretionary Use to the Hamlet Residential 1 “HR1” and Hamlet Residential 2 “HR2” Districts of the Land Use Bylaw, subject to public hearing input.

CARRIED

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

13. b) Bylaw 1159-19 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to change the permitting regulations of the Home Based Business, Minor Use

MOTION 19-10-634

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That first reading be given to Bylaw 1159-19 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment to change the permitting regulations of the Home Based Business, Minor Use, subject to public hearing input.

CARRIED

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

13. c) Diseased Bison in Alberta

MOTION 19-10-635

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That a letter be sent to the Alberta Ministers of Environment &

Parks and Agriculture & Forestry and the Solicitor General requesting a full status update and involvement in future discussions regarding the state of diseased bison in Alberta, specifically regarding the proposed change to reclassify diseased bison from objects to protected species.

CARRIED

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

13. d) SE 8-106-15-W5M – Drainage Ditch

MOTION 19-10-636

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That administration submit the existing signed right-of-way agreement on SE 8-106-15-W5M to Alberta Registries for registration on the property.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION:

14. a) Caribou Update (standing item)

MOTION 19-10-637

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the Caribou Update be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 19-10-638
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council support Councillor Wardley's appointment to the Northwest Sub-regional Task Force for the Bistcho Lake Planning Area (NW) and cover honorariums and expenses to attend the provincial meetings in November 2019.

CARRIED

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 1:54 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:16 p.m.

ADMINISTRATION:

14. b) Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance (ADDITION)

MOTION 19-10-639
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Councillor Jorgensen be authorized to attend the Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance meeting on October 30, 2019 in Grande Prairie.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

15. a) Council Committee Reports (verbal)

MOTION 19-10-640

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the Council Committee reports be received for information.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

15. b) Community Services Committee Meeting Minutes

MOTION 19-10-641

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the Community Services Committee meeting minutes of October 9, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

15. c) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

MOTION 19-10-642

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of October 3, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

15. d) Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

MOTION 19-10-643

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the unapproved Finance Committee meeting minutes September 30, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION /
CORRESPONDENCE:**

16. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 19-10-644

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

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

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING:

17. Closed Meeting

MOTION 19-10-645

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Council move into a closed meeting at 3:00 p.m. to discuss the following:

17. a) Union Negotiations (*FOIP, Div. 2, Part 1, s. 23, 24*)

CARRIED

The following individuals were present during the closed meeting discussion. (*MGA Section 602.08(1)(6)*)

- All Councillors
- Len Racher, Chief Administrative Officer
- Byron Peters, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
- Carol Gabriel, Director of Legislative & Support Services
- Jennifer Batt, Interim Director of Finance

MOTION 19-10-646

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That Council move out of a closed meeting at 3:04 p.m.

CARRIED

17. a) Union Negotiations

MOTION 19-10-647

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the union negotiations update be received for information.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION:

18. a) None

NEXT MEETING

19. a) Next Meeting Dates

DATE:

Budget Council Meeting
October 30, 2019
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

Regular Council Meeting
November 5, 2019
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

Budget Council Meeting (Non-Profit Groups)
November 5, 2019
5:00 p.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: **20. a) Adjournment**

MOTION 19-10-648 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved by Council on November 5, 2019.

Joshua Knelsen
Reeve

Lenard Racher
Chief Administrative Officer
