

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, August 29, 2007**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Fort Vermilion, AB**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Bill Neufeld	Reeve
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	Peter Braun	Councillor
	John W. Driedger	Councillor
	Ed Froese	Councillor
	Greg Newman	Councillor
	Lisa Wardley	Councillor
	Stuart Watson	Councillor
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jim Thompson	Councillor
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>	William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
	Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant
	Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
	Paul Driedger	Director of Planning & Emergency Services
	John Klassen	Manager of Utilities & Facilities
	Mark Schonken	Director of Public Works

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on August 29, 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 10:10 a.m.

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

**MOTION 07-08-725        MOVED** by Councillor Braun

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

- 5. b) DCL Siemens – Delegation
- 11. q) Sewer Lift Station for Northeast Part of La Crete
- 12. e) Reinland Christian Academy
- 12. f) Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant & Lift Station Upgrade
- 13. k) Fitler Gravel Pit

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF THE  
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**3. a) Minutes of the August 14, 2007 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 07-08-726**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the minutes of the August 14, 2007 Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**MOTION 07-08-727**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That consideration be given to move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 10:18 a.m.

- 13. a) Town of High Level Negotiations
- 13. b) Personnel
- 13. c) Special Project Development
- 13. d) Highway 88
- 13. e) Road Negotiations High Level Rural
- 13. f) Tompkins Landing Ice Bridge
- 13. g) Mackenzie Housing Management Board
- 13. h) Samlan Enterprises Inc
- 13. i) High Level Industrial Development
- 13. j) DCL Engineering (Zama)
- 13. k) Fitler Gravel Pit

**CARRIED**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk left the meeting at 12:33 p.m.

**MOTION 07-08-728**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 2:24 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**13. a) Town of High Level Negotiations**

**MOTION 07-08-729**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That a letter be sent to the Town of High Level in regards to the cost sharing services as discussed.

**CARRIED**

**13. b) Personnel**

**MOTION 07-08-730**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the resignation from Paul Driedger, Director of Planning and Emergency Services be accepted with regret and that an appropriate farewell be held.

**CARRIED**

**13. e) Road Negotiations High Level Rural**

**MOTION 07-08-731**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That Mackenzie County consider including the three half mile roads as per attached diagram in the 2008 budget subject to land purchase agreements with the affected land owners.

**CARRIED**

**13. f) Tompkins Landing Ice Bridge**

**MOTION 07-08-732**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Mackenzie County accept the Tompkins Landing ice bridge contract with Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation as negotiated.

**CARRIED**

**13. g) Mackenzie Housing Management Board**

**MOTION 07-08-733**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Mackenzie County accept option 1 as presented regarding the Mackenzie Housing Management Board.

**CARRIED**

**13. h) Samlan Enterprises Inc**

**MOTION 07-08-734**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the request from Samlan Enterprises Inc. be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**13. i) High Level Industrial Development**

**MOTION 07-08-735**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Chief Administrative Officer and Councillor Driedger be authorized to make an offer to purchase three quarters of land in the High Level industrial area with funding coming from the general capital reserve.

**CARRIED**

**13. k) Filtler Gravel Pit**

**MOTION 07-08-736**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the Filtler gravel pit be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 2:31 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:46 p.m.

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

**11. a) Bylaw 506/05 Municipal Parks Bylaw**

**MOTION 07-08-737**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Bylaw 506/05, being the Municipal Parks Bylaw, be tabled to the next meeting.

**CARRIED**

**11. b) Ambulance Services Bylaw 538/05**

**MOTION 07-08-738**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Mackenzie County invoice for emergency calls outside County boundaries at the level of service responding using the Alberta Blue Cross rate.

**CARRIED**

- 11. c) Bylaw 645/07 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Plan 188TR, Block 5, Lot 23 from Hamlet Residential District 1 (HR1) to Public/Institutional District (HP) (Fort Vermilion)**

**MOTION 07-08-739**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That first reading be given to Bylaw 645/07 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone plan 188TR, Block 5, Lot 23 from Hamlet Residential District 1 (HR1) to Public/Institutional District (HP) in Fort Vermilion.

**CARRIED**

- 11. d) Bylaw 646/07 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Part of NE 10-106-15-W5M from Hamlet Industrial District 1 (HI1) to Hamlet Industrial District 3 (HI3) (La Crete)**

**MOTION 07-08-740**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 646/07 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NE 10-106-15-W5M from Hamlet Industrial District 1 (HI1) to Hamlet Industrial District 3 (HI3).

**CARRIED**

- 11. e) Town of High Level Referrals Part of NW 5-110-19-W5M (High Level)**

**MOTION 07-08-741**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Town of High Level referrals – part of NW 5-110-19-W5M be received for information.

**CARRIED**

- 11. f) Town of High Level Referrals Plan 062-0096, Block 9, Lot 8 (High Level)**

**MOTION 07-08-742**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Mackenzie County has no concerns for Development Permit

07-51 on Plan 062-0096, Block 9, Lot 8 within the Town of High Level in name of Maltais Geomatics Inc. for the construction of a garage/storage building.

**CARRIED**

**11. g) Town of High Level Referrals Plan 6012NY, Block 24, Lot 10A (High Level)**

**MOTION 07-08-743**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Mackenzie County has no concerns for Development Permit 07-50 on Plan 6102NY, Block 24, Lot 10A within the Town of High Level in the name of RCMP "K" Division, for a Modular Office Unit.

**CARRIED**

**11. h) Town of High Level Referrals Plan 832-3083, Block 6, Lot 14 (High Level)**

**MOTION 07-08-744**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Mackenzie County has no concerns for Development Permit 07-55 on Plan 832-3083, Block 6, Lot 14 within the Town of High Level, in the name of Wolf Carpentry Inc. for the construction of a shop.

**CARRIED**

**11. i) Road Name Assignment for Greenwood Acres – SW 13-106-15-W5M (John and Sadie Klassen – 47-SUB-05)**

**MOTION 07-08-745**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the road naming request for the Greenwood Acres subdivision, Plan 062-4963 (SW 13-106-15-W5M) be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**11. j) Footner Forest Products Ltd. – 1 Mile Buffer**

**MOTION 07-08-746**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That administration discuss direct control with Footner Forest Products.

**CARRIED**

**11. k) Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw  
Work Program and Budget**

**MOTION 07-08-747**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the proposed budget and work program/timeline with Urban Systems for the review and revision of the Municipal Development Plan and the Land Use Bylaw be approved as presented and apply for the 2007 Municipal Sponsorship Funding.

**CARRIED**

**11. l) Harold Torkelson – Request to Waive Fire Invoice**

**MOTION 07-08-748**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That fire invoice 4469 be reduced by \$3,469.85 and the property owner pay the balance of \$6,256.00.

**CARRIED**

**11. m) Allan Flett – Request to Waive Fire Invoice**

**MOTION 07-08-749**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That fire invoice 4319 be reduced by \$1,912 and the property owner pay the balance of \$1,432.54.

**CARRIED**

**11. n) Simon Froese – Request to Waive Fire Invoice**

**MOTION 07-08-750**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That fire invoice 5903 be reduced by \$2,820.00 and the property owner pay the balance of \$4,636.63.

**CARRIED**

**11. o) Herman & Trudy Banman**

**MOTION 07-08-751**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That fire invoice 5375 be reduced by \$266.67 and the property owner pay the balance of \$393.33.

**CARRIED**

**11. p) Rainbow Lake Fine Revenue**

**MOTION 07-08-752**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the fine revenue received from the Husky Oil Enforcement Services contract between October 11, 2005 and July 17, 2007 totaling \$9,544.00 be forwarded to the Rainbow Lake Community Health Council.

**CARRIED**

**11. q) Sewer Lift Station for Northeast Part of La Crete**

**MOTION 07-08-753**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the sewer lift station for Northeast part of La Crete be tabled for further information.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

**12. a) Zama Groundwater Supply and Supply Line –  
Contract # 2**

**MOTION 07-08-754**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Mackenzie County award the Zama Groundwater Supply and Supply Line contract to the low bidder subject to AIT approval.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:48 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

**12. b) Zama Groundwater Supply and Supply Line –  
Bylaw 647/07**

**MOTION 07-08-755**  
(Requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the Zama Water Treatment System Upgrade project be amended to include the Groundwater Supply and Supply Line component with total project cost of \$12,791,729.



**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-08-756**  
(Requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 647/07, being a bylaw authorizing a debenture in the amount of \$549,407 for the Zama Groundwater Supply and Supply Line.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 07-08-757**  
(Requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 647/07, being a bylaw authorizing a debenture in the amount of \$549,407 for the Zama Groundwater Supply and Supply Line.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 07-08-758**  
(Requires unanimous)

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 647/07, being a bylaw authorizing a debenture in the amount of \$549,407 for the Zama Groundwater Supply and Supply Line.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 07-08-759**  
(Requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That third reading be given to Bylaw 647/07, being a bylaw authorizing a debenture in the amount of \$549,407 for the Zama Groundwater Supply and Supply Line.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**12. c) Blumenort Old Colony Cemetery**

**MOTION 07-08-760**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That a culvert be installed and look at a long term solution for the drainage issues at the Blumenort Old Colony Cemetery.

**CARRIED**

**12. d) Tompkins Landing Ice Bridge**

**MOTION 07-08-761**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That administration be authorized to prepare and issue request for proposals for the Tompkins Landing three-year ice bridge contract.

**CARRIED**

**12. e) Reinland Christian Academy**

**MOTION 07-08-762**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Mackenzie County repair the Reinland Christian Academy's basement flood damage and that the County invoice the engineer (DCL Siemens) and the contractor (Inline Contracting) each for one third of the cost with funding coming from the Transportation Department Operating budget.

**CARRIED**

**12. f) Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant & Lift Station Upgrade**

**MOTION 07-08-763**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the 2007 Capital Budget be amended to include the \$600,000 Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant and Lift Station upgrade project with funding coming from the Water Treatment Plant Reserve.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUS**

**MOTION 07-08-764**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That administration proceed with tendering the Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant and Lift Station upgrade project.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Councillor Newman left the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

Paul Driedger, Director of Planning & Emergency Services presented his report.

**DELEGATIONS:**

**5. a) Health Services Plan – Denise Blackwell, Blackwell Management Group**

**MOTION 07-08-765**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the presentation by Denise Blackwell, Blackwell Management Group, regarding the Health Services Plan be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

**4. a) None**

**GENERAL REPORTS:**

**6. a) Action List**

**MOTION 07-08-766**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the action list be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**7. a) None**

**TENDERS:**

**8. a) None**

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

**9. a) Council Committee Reports**

Councillor Braun reported on the Mackenzie Housing Management Board meetings, Municipal Planning Commission meetings, Regional Economic Development Initiative teleconferences, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties zone meeting, La Crete Recreation board meeting, and a Mackenzie Waste Management meeting.

Councillor Froese reported on Municipal Planning Commission meetings.

Councillor Wardley reported on a meeting with a potential developer, Urban Systems, and the Zama Recreation Board meeting.

Councillor Watson reported on the Agriculture Service Board meeting, Mackenzie Waste Management meeting, meeting with Footner, and a road access concern.

Councillor Driedger reported on the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties zone meeting and the Mackenzie Economic Development Corporation.

Reeve Neufeld reported on the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties zone meeting, and the Municipal Sustainability Initiative information session.

**MOTION 07-08-767**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the Council Committee verbal reports be accepted as information.

**CARRIED**

**9. b) CAO & Director Reports**

**MOTION 07-08-768**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the Director of Corporate Services, Director of Planning & Emergency Services, Manager of Utilities & Facilities, Director of Public Works and the Chief Administrative Officer reports be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 5:59 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

**10. a) 2008 Operating and Capital Budget Development**

**MOTION 07-08-769**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Council's 2008 budget planning session be set for October 1, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fort Vermilion Council Chambers.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-08-770**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the following dates be set for road tour meetings for each hamlet and for rural roads with Council, administration and engineers:

October 2, 2007 – Fort Vermilion & La Crete at 9:00 a.m.  
October 3, 2007 – Fort Vermilion North at 9:00 a.m.

**CARRIED**

**10. b) Organizational Meeting & Appointments**

**MOTION 07-08-771**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Organizational meeting date be changed from October 22, 2007 to October 24, 2007.

**CARRIED**

**10. c) Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 07-08-772**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Regular Council meeting date be changed from October 24, 2007 to October 25, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Fort Vermilion Council Chambers to accommodate our two engineers.

**CARRIED**

**10. d) Orientation Session  
Activation Analysis**

**MOTION 07-08-773**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Orientation Session with Activation Analysis be rescheduled to October 24 and 25, 2007.

**CARRIED**

**10. e) July 31, 2007 Income Statement and Term Deposits  
Report**

**MOTION 07-08-774**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the operating revenues and expenditures, term deposits and capital projects progress report for the period ended July 31, 2007 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. f) Information/Correspondence Items**

**MOTION 07-08-775**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

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

**CARRIED**

**13. j) Zama Water Treatment Plant/DCL Siemens Engineering**

Whereas, the Zama Water Treatment Plant proposal to Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation has been denied because of Protocol; and, whereas, DCL Siemens Engineering has been working on the Zama Water Treatment Plant project over the last three years; and, whereas, Mackenzie County paid \$526,904.93 to DCL Siemens Engineering in the period of three years for the Zama Water Treatment Plant engineering services.

Therefore, DCL Siemens Engineering has been requested to attend the Council meeting to discuss remedial action or other options available to Council.

**MOTION 07-08-776**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That, as DCL Siemens Engineering stated they will not work with Mackenzie County's project manager, William Kostiw (CAO), on the Zama projects, Council accepts this statement as DCL Siemens' resignation as the County's engineers for the Zama projects.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 07-08-777**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That due to DCL Siemens' position in refusing to work with the County's project manager and in order to mitigate further delays in completing the Zama projects, an alternate engineering firm be secured to complete the Zama projects.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**14. a) Regular Council Meeting**

Regular Council Meeting  
Tuesday, September 11, 2007  
10:00 a.m.  
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**15. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 07-08-778**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved on Tuesday, September 11, 2007.

(signature on file)  
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)  
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant