

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

**Wednesday, January 25, 2006 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT:	Bill Neufeld Walter Sarapuk Peter Braun John W. Driedger Ed Froese Willy Neudorf Greg Newman Stuart Watson Jim Thompson	Reeve Deputy Reeve Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor
ALSO PRESENT:	Ray Coad Christine Woodward Youlia Whittelton Eva Schmidt Paul Driedger Trent Allen, media Susan McNeil, media And members of the public	Chief Administrative Officer Executive Assistant Director of Corporate Services Planning Supervisor Director of Emergency & Enforcement Services
ABSENT	Lisa Wardley	Councillor

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 held on Wednesday January 25, 2006 in Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1.1 Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: 2.1 Agenda Approval
The agenda was reviewed; La Crete Sawmills - Delegation 5.2, 8.6 Ice Bridge, 8.7 Bylaw 549/06, 10.11 Council Corner and In Camera Items - 15.1 FOIP Request and 15.2 Minister Letter, were added. 8.5 Jake Wolfe - removed.

MOTION 06-32 **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the agenda for January 25, 2006 is approved as amended.

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PUBLIC HEARING: 3.1 No items under this heading

PRESENTATIONS: 4.1 No items under this heading

**DELEGATIONS:
ADDITION** 5.1 **REDI – Gary Johnson & Clark McAskile**

A power point presentation showing Council REDI projects for 2005-2006 is included in the Council package.

5.2 **La Crete Sawmills - Dave Froese**

Mr. Froese, a sales representative for La Crete Sawmills, spoke about the new Heritage Complex and their pleasure that the MD will be paying utilities.

Mr. Froese discussed green energy, an environmentally friendly, renewal energy program, and asked for consideration of this source as a viable and responsible source of heating energy for the Heritage Complex. Council agreed to review administration's update at a later meeting.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES:** 6.1 **Minutes of the January 10, 2006 Regular
Council Meeting**

MOTION 06-33 **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the minutes of the January 10, 2006 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES:** 7.1 **Operating Grant Agreement – La Crete
Agricultural Society**

Council asked administration to review information about wood pellets as compared to other conventional utilities used for heat.

MOTION 06-34 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

La Crete Agricultural Society
Operating Grant
Tabled

That the La Crete Agricultural Society Operating Grant be tabled until administration reviews information about wood pellet heating and brings back a recommendation to Council.

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BUSINESS:

8.1 Bylaw 552/06 – Short Term Borrowing Bylaw

MOTION 06-35

Bylaw 552/06
First Reading
Requires 2/3 Majority

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That first reading be given to Bylaw 552/06 being a bylaw authorizing a short-term borrowing from ATB Financial of a sum not exceeding six million dollars (6,000,000).

CARRIED

MOTION 06-36

Bylaw 552/06
Second Reading
Requires 2/3 Majority

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 552/06 being a bylaw authorizing a short-term borrowing from ATB Financial of a sum not exceeding six million dollars (6,000,000).

CARRIED

MOTION 06-37

Bylaw 552/06
Consideration for Third Reading
Requires Unanimous Consent

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That consideration be given to allow to go to third reading for Bylaw 552/06 being a bylaw authorizing the short-term borrowing from ATB Financial of a sum not exceeding six million dollars (6,000,000).

CARRIED

MOTION 06-38

Bylaw 552/06
Third and Final Reading
Requires 2/3 Majority

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That third reading be given to Bylaw 552/06 being a bylaw authorizing a short-term borrowing from ATB Financial of a sum not exceeding six million dollars (6,000,000).

CARRIED

8.2 Bylaw 551/06 – Rezoning SW 3-110-18-W5M

MOTION 06-39

Bylaw 551/06
First Reading

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That first reading be given to Bylaw 551/06 to rezone Part of SW 3-110-18-W5M “Lot 01, Block 01, Plan 922 3304” from Agricultural District 1 “A1” to Rural Industrial District 1 “R11”.

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8.3 Intermunicipal Development Plan Update

Planning Supervisor Schmidt had recommended that the Intermunicipal Development Plan Committee proceed to review the Intermunicipal Development Plan. Since the RFD was prepared, a letter was received from the Town of High Level, indicating that they wish to implement a dispute resolution regarding the new Bylaw 544/06, which received first reading on January 10, 2006.

A new meeting will be set with High Level to clarify issues and the Intermunicipal Development Plan is tabled in the interim.

8.4 MD Waterfront Cottage Development Task Force – Terms of Reference

MOTION 06-40

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Municipal District of Mackenzie Waterfront Cottage Development Task Force Terms of Reference be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**REMOVED from
AGENDA**

8.5 Request for Appointment - (Jake Wolfe)

This was removed from the agenda at the Reeve's request, as policy is in place for expense requests and because seats available to the MD on the Upper Hay Recreational Hunting and Fishing Advisory Board are filled.

ADDITION

8.6 Ice Bridge

The many complaints about the lack of an Ice Bridge were brought up. The public does not realize that the ice bridge is the province's responsibility and the MD has no control over it.

Council noted that the AMA website indicates that the Ice Bridge will be open Feb. 1.

MOTION 06-41
Requires Unanimous Consent

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That a letter of concern is sent to the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation about the Ice Bridge.

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ADDITION 8.7 Bylaw 549/06 Municipal Planning Commission

Council discussed the MPC Bylaw and membership to ensure a quorum is present at meetings. No changes were made to the existing MPC bylaw.

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE: 9.1 Health Professional Recruitment and Retention

MOTION 06-42 MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

To receive the Health Professional Recruitment and Retention item as information.

CARRIED

MOTION 06-43 MD Image Article 10.11 MD Image "Council Meeting Highlights"

MOVED by Councillor Braun

THAT administration circulate a final draft of the MD Image Council Meeting Highlights article for final review prior to publishing the MD Image Jan/Feb issue.

CARRIED

INFORMATION: 10. Information Items

MOTION 06-44 MOVED by Councillor Braun to accept the Finance Report as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-45 MOVED by Councillor Driedger to accept the CAO's Report as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-46 MOVED by Councillor Neudorf to accept the Director of Corporate Services Report as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-47 MOVED by Councillor Driedger to accept the Director of Emergency and Enforcement Service's Report as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-48 MOVED by Councillor Newman to accept the Supervisor of Planning's Report as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-49 MOVED by Councillor Neudorf to accept the Supervisor of Road's Report as information - **CARRIED**

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MOTION 06-50 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk to accept the Supervisor of Utilities' Report as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-51 **MOVED** by Councillor Thompson to accept the REDI Regional Airport Study Update as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-52 **MOVED** by Councillor Thompson to accept the Agriculture Service Board Minutes of 11/02/05 and the Vet Advisory Board Minutes of 01/22/05 as information - **CARRIED**

MOTION 06-53 **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Councillors are authorized to attend former Tall Cree Chief Francis Meneen's funeral service in Fort Vermilion on Jan. 26.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION
CORRESPONDENCE:**

11. Information Correspondence

MOTION 06-54 **MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the letters submitted for the Jan. 25/06 meeting:

- NDCC Grant Approval
- 2004 Municipal Demo Project Grant - Zama
- Effective Public Input Workshop
- NADC Proposed Program Changes
- FCM Funding for Energy Projects
- FCSS Program Funding
- Zama City Fire Smart Open House
- Alberta Surface Rights Federation Open House

be accepted as information.

CARRIED

12. Round Table

Council reviewed meetings and workshops attended in the past month.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION 06-55

Unanimous Vote

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That the High Level municipal office administration be moved into the High Level EMS station.

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NOTICES OF MOTION: There were no notices of motion.

**CONFIDENTIAL
MATTERS:**

15. In Camera

Confidential items will be moved to the end of the agenda starting Jan. 25/06.

MOTION 06-56

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

Time: 9:05 p.m.

That Council goes In Camera to discuss:

- FOIP Request
- Letter from Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs

CARRIED

MOTION 06-57

MOVED by Councillor Braun

Time: 9:35 p.m.

That Council comes Out of Camera.

CARRIED

MOTION 06-58

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That a stakeholders meeting be called in order to move the High Level medical clinic forward.

CARRIED

**NEXT MEETING
DATES:**

- 16. a) Regular Meeting:**
Wednesday, February 8, 2006
10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion

ADJOURNMENT:

17. a) Call for Adjournment

MOTION 06-59

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the regular Council meeting of January 25, 2006 be adjourned.

CARRIED

Time: 9:45 p.m.

These minutes will be presented for approval on the 8th day of February, 2006.

"B. Neufeld" (signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

"C. Woodward" (signature on file)
Christine Woodward, Executive Assistant