

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
BUDGET COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, November 2, 2022  
10:00 a.m.**

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

- PRESENT:** Josh Knelsen Reeve  
Walter Sarapuk Deputy Reeve  
Jacquie Bateman Councillor  
Peter F. Braun Councillor  
Cameron Cardinal Councillor  
Darrell Derksen Councillor  
David Driedger Councillor  
Lisa Wardley Councillor  
Ernest Peters Councillor
- REGRETS:** Garrell Smith Councillor
- ADMINISTRATION:** James Thackray Chief Administrative Officer  
Byron Peters Director of Projects and Infrastructure  
Louise Flooren Manager of Legislative & Support Services/  
Recording Secretary  
Jennifer Batt Director of Finance  
Don Roberts Director of Community Services  
John Zacharias Director of Utilities
- ALSO PRESENT:** Member of the Public

Minutes of the Budget Council Meeting for Mackenzie County held on November 2, 2022 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

**CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order**

Reeve Knelsen called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

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

**MOTION 22-11-770 MOVED** by Councillor Peters

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

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4. b) CAO Report

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF  
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**3. a) None**

**CLOSED MEETING:**

**4. a) Closed Meeting**

**MOTION 22-11-771**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That Council move into a closed meeting at 10:17 a.m. to discuss the following:

4.a) 2023 Non-Profit Organization Grant Applications

**CARRIED**

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

- All Councillors Present
- James Thackray, Chief Administrative Officer
- Byron Peters, Director of Projects and Infrastructure
- Louise Flooren, Manager of Legislative & Support Services/ Recording Secretary
- Jennifer Batt, Director of Finance
- Don Roberts, Director of Community Services

**MOTION 22-11-772**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That Council move out of a closed meeting at 10:34 a.m.

**CARRIED**

**CLOSED MEETING:**

**4. a) 2023 Non-Profit Organization Grant Applications**

**MOTION 22-11-773**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That Councillor Wardley be appointed as an additional representative to Fort Vermilion Support Services for a term ending March 31, 2023 and that Fort Vermilion Support Services only receive 25% of their operational funding for 2023.

**CARRIED**

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Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 10:37 a.m. and reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

**OPERATIONS:** 12. a) **Policy PW039 Rural Road, Access Construction and Surface Water Management - Cost Implications**

**MOTION 22-11-774** **MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That the Policy PW039 Rural Road, Access Construction and Surface Water Management - Cost Implications be brought back to a future Council meeting for amendments.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 11:18 a.m. and reconvened at 11:35 a.m.

**TENDERS:** 5. a) **None**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** 6. a) **None**

**DELEGATIONS:** 7. g) **High Level Agricultural Society 11:35 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.**

7. a) **Dan Williams, MLA Peace River 11:40 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.**

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 1:34 p.m.

7. e) **Rocky Lane Agricultural Society 1:35 p.m. – 1:54 p.m.**

7. b) **La Crete Agricultural Society 1:55 p.m. – 2:12 p.m.**

7. c) **La Crete Polar Cats 2:13 p.m. – 2:44 p.m.**

7. d) **Fort Vermilion Agricultural Society 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 3:00 p.m. and reconvened at 3:15 p.m.

7. f) **The La Crete Seniors Inn 3:15 p.m.** (letter submitted)

**CLOSED MEETING:** 4. b) **Closed Meeting (ADDITION)**

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**MOTION 22-11-775**  
Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Council move into a closed meeting at 3:28 p.m. to discuss the following:

4.b) CAO Report

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

- All Councillors Present excluding Councillor Smith
- James Thackray, Chief Administrative Officer

**MOTION 22-11-776**  
Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Council move out of a closed meeting at 4:53 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**GENERAL REPORTS:**

8. a) None

**AGRICULTURE SERVICES:**

9. a) None

**COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

10. a) None

**FINANCE:**

11. a) **2023 Non-Profit Organization Grant Applications**

**MOTION 22-11-777**  
Requires 2/3

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the 2023 Non-Profit Organization grant funding recommendations be incorporated into the 2023 Operating Budget.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONS:**

12. b) None

**UTILITIES:**

13. a) None

**PLANNING &**

14. a) None

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**DEVELOPMENT:**

**ADMINISTRATION:** 15. a) None

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS:** 16. a) None

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:** 17. a) None

**INFORMATION/ CORRESPONDENCE:** 18. a) None

**NOTICE OF MOTION:** 19. a) None

**NEXT MEETING DATES:** 20. a) Next Meeting Dates

Regular Council Meeting  
November 15, 2022  
10:00 a.m.  
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

Budget Council Meeting  
November 16, 2022  
10:00 a.m.  
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

**ADJOURNMENT:** 21. a) Adjournment

**MOTION 22-11-778** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Council meeting at adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved at the November 15, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

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Josh Knelsen  
Reeve

(original signed)  
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James Thackray  
Chief Administrative Officer

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