

### MACKENZIE COUNTY

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 26, 2013

11:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS FORT VERMILION, AB

### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES CHART

### April 2013 **COUNCIL PRIORITIES** (Council/CAO) NOW **ADVOCACY** 1. HOUSING ENTITY: Governance Structure – Sept. Zama Road Paving Funds ☐ Road Construction Funding Request 2. LAND USE FRAMEWORK: Position Paper - May ☐ Canada Postal Service - La Crete 3. REGIONAL COLLABORATION: Protocol - June ☐ Land use Framework Input 4. HIGH LEVEL: Share Service Agreement – June ☐ Highway 58 West Extension to BC **5.** FIRST NATION RELATIONS: Orientation – Sept. 6. OSB PLANT: Water Supply – August 7. NEW ROAD CONSTRUCTION FUNDING – Sept. **NEXT** ☐ OIL AND GAS STRATEGY ☐ TOURISM: Strategy (REDI) ☐ ZAMA ROAD: Business Case ☐ BRANDING STRATEGY (2014) ☐ SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN ☐ TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR PLAN ☐ REGIONAL WATER AGREEMENT **OPERATIONAL STRATEGIES** (CAO/Staff) **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER** (Joulia) **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Bill)** 1. HOUSING ENTITY: Governance Structure – Sept. 1. Resource Roads: Strategy – Sept. 2. REG. COLLABORATION: Protocol - June 2. OSB PLANT: Water Supply - June 3. FIRST NATION RELATIONS: Orientation – Sept. 3. ROAD CONSTRUCTION FUNDS: Request - Sept ☐ HIGH LEVEL: Share Service Agreement ☐ ZAMA ROAD: Business Case ☐ TOURISM: Strategy (REDI) **AGRICULTURAL SERVICES** (Grant) **COMMUNITY SERVICES (Ron)** 1. Radio Communication System - May 1. SURFACE WATER MANG. PLAN - TOR - May 2. COR Certification: Update Safety Manual - July 2. Agricultural Trade Fair – Aug. 3. Rec. Board Agreement Draft Renewal – Oct. 3. ASB Business Plan - May Prepare for Municipal QMP Audit (SCC) - April ☐ Emergency Livestock Response Plan – Sept. Disaster Emergency Planning PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT (Byron) **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES** (Carol) 1. LAND USE FRAMEWORK: Position Paper - May 1. Municipal Elections: Election Bylaw - May 2. Area Structure Plans - July 2. Municipal Elections: Candidate Handbook - July 3. Business License Bylaw & Implementation – July 3. Virtual City Hall Implementation - May ☐ Human Resource Policy Review Development Agreement: Revise ☐ Communication Plan ☐ Airport Vicinity Protection Area FINANCE (Alison) PUBLIC WORKS\* (John & Ron) 1. Long Term Capital Plan - Mar. 1. HAMLET ROAD PRIORITIES PROGRAM - June 2. Borrowing Bylaws - June PRIVATE ROAD TRANSFER POLICY – Sept. 3. Local Imp. Bylaws - June 3. Rural Waterline Research Paper: TOR - July Master Card Policy ☐ Rural Road Plan ☐ Internal Controls Procedure Review Water Source Plan

CODES: BOLD CAPITALS = Council NOW Priorities; CAPITALS = Council NEXT Priorities; Italics = Advocacy; Regular Title Case = Operational Strategies; \* See Monthly Capital Projects Progress Report

### MACKENZIE COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, June 26, 2013 11:00 a.m.

### Fort Vermilion Council Chambers Fort Vermilion, Alberta

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		d)		
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NEXT MEETING	16.	a)	Regular Council Meeting	

**DATE:** Tuesday, July 16, 2013

10:00 a.m.

Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

**ADJOURNMENT:** 17. a) Adjournment



### MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
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Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Joulia Whittleton, Chief Administrative Officer

Title: Minutes of the June 11, 2013 Regular Council Meeting

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Minutes of the June 11, 2013 Regular Council meeting are attached.

### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

### **COMMUNICATION:**

Approved council minutes are posted on the County website.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That the minutes of the June 11, 2013 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

Author:	C. Gabriel	Review by:	CAO

### MACKENZIE COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, June 11, 2013 10:00 a.m.

### Fort Vermilion Council Chambers Fort Vermilion, Alberta

PRESENT: Bill Neufeld Reeve

Walter Sarapuk Deputy Reeve (arrived at 1:03 p.m.)

Jacquie Bateman
Peter F. Braun
Councillor

Eric Jorgensen Councillor (arrived at 11:46 a.m.)

Lisa Wardley Councillor

ABSENT:

**ADMINISTRATION:** Joulia Whittleton Chief Administrative Officer

William (Bill) Kostiw Director of Infrastructure Development &

Government Relations

John Klassen Director of Environmental Services &

**Operations** 

Byron Peters Director of Planning and Development
Carol Gabriel Manager of Legislative & Support Services

**ALSO PRESENT:** Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on June 11, 2013 in the Fort Vermilion Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

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

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 13-06-393 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the agenda be approved as amended:

4. a) Remove - Fort Vermilion Recreation Board

4. d) S/Sgt. Jeff Simpson, Fort Vermilion RCMP

4. e) Jeff Anderson – Friends of St. Theresa Society

15. a) Legal – Environmental

15. a) Housing Amalgamation

15. c) Land - Washouts

### **CARRIED**

DELEGATION: 4. d) S/Sgt. Jeff Simpson, Fort Vermilion RCMP

MOTION 13-06-394 MOVED by Councillor Flett

That the RCMP report be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

4. e) Jeff Anderson – Friends of St. Theresa Society (ADDITION)

Jeff Anderson verbally presented a copy of the letter from the Friends of St. Theresa Society to the Minister of Health regarding air ambulance services.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

3. a) Minutes of the May 28, 2013 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 13-06-395 MOV

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the May 28, 2013 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

DELEGATION: 4. a) Fort Vermilion Recreation Board

Delegation was postponed to June 26, 2013.

GENERAL REPORTS: 5. a) CAO Report

MOTION 13-06-396 MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That the CAO report for May 2013 be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 7. a) None

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

8. a) Fort Vermilion Arena Park Playground

MOTION 13-06-397

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Fort Vermilion Recreation Board request for improvements to the Fort Vermilion Arena Park Playground be differed to the Community Services Committee for their review and recommendation.

**CARRIED** 

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES:

9. a) Rural Waterline Update

**MOTION 13-06-398** 

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That all Municipal water lines located outside of any Hamlet boundary be deemed a rural water line and all new connections shall require meter pits with flow restrictors.

**CARRIED** 

**OPERATIONS:** 

10. a) None

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

11. a) Bylaw 880-12 Road Closure lying between SE 1-104-18-W5M and NE 36-103-18-W5M (Blue Hills)

**MOTION 13-06-399** 

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That second reading be given to Bylaw 880-12, being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure of the most northerly 10 meters of Government Road Allowance lying south of Part of SE 1-104-18-W5M.

**CARRIED** 

**MOTION 13-06-400** 

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That third reading be given to Bylaw 880-12, being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure of the most northerly 10 meters of Government Road Allowance lying south of Part of SE 1-104-18-W5M.

**CARRIED** 

11. b) ASP Consultation Feedback

MOTION 13-06-401 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Area Structure Plan consultation feedback be

received for information.

MOTION 13-06-402 MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the vote on Motion 13-06-401 be TABLED.

**DEFEATED** 

MOTION 13-06-401 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Area Structure Plan consultation feedback be deferred to after the consultation meeting with the Town of

High Level.

**CARRIED** 

11. c) ASP Consultation Meeting Request

MOTION 13-06-403 MOVED by Councillor Flett

That the Town of High Level be invited to our next council meeting for consultation on the Area Structure Plans.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 11:13 a.m. and

reconvened the meeting at 11:31 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION: 13. c) 2013 Municipal Election – Advance Vote

MOTION 13-06-404 MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That an Advance Vote be held for the 2013 municipal election.

**CARRIED** 

CORPORATE 12. a) Recreation Facilities – Grounds Improvements SERVICES:

**MOTION 13-06-405** 

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

Requires 2/3

That the 2013 Capital Budget be amended by reallocating \$115,280 from Aspen Drive Paving and S-Curve Servicing project to Recreational Facilities – Grounds Improvement project, with total budget for this project being \$570,800.

**CARRIED** 

ADMINISTRATION:

13. a) Environment and Sustainable Resource
Development - Land Auction Date

**MOTION 13-06-406** 

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That a recommendation be taken to Environment & Sustainable Resource Development to hold the next agricultural land auction on August 7, 2013.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Jorgensen joined the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

13. b) Alberta Health Services – EMS Dispatch Consolidation Consultation

**MOTION 13-06-407** 

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That Councillor Flett be authorized to attend the Alberta Health Services consultation meeting in Leduc, Alberta on June 20, 2013 regarding Emergency Medical Services dispatch consolidation.

**CARRIED** 

INFORMATION/ CORRESPONDENCE: 14. a) Information/Correspondence

**MOTION 13-06-408** 

**MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

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

**CARRIED** 

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk joined the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

4. c) Dave Rose, Western Asphalt

Presentation by Dave Rose, Sales Manager with Western Asphalt Products.

TENDERS: 6. a) 2013 Regravelling Program Tender – 1:30 p.m.

MOTION 13-06-409 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2013 regravelling program tenders be opened.

**CARRIED** 

Tenders Received:

Knelsen Sand & Gravel

\$430,760.00

MOTION 13-06-410 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the 2013 regravelling program tender be awarded to the lowest qualifying tender, subject to budget and review by administration.

CARRIED

DELEGATION: 4. b) Mackenzie Applied Research Association (In-Camera)

15. c) Land – Fort Vermilion Research Station

MOTION 13-06-411 MOVED by Councillor Flett

That Council move in-camera at 1:41 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

MOTION 13-06-412 MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That Council move out of camera at 2:16 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

### **MOTION 13-06-413**

### **MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That Mackenzie County commits in assisting acquiring the federal machinery currently located at the Fort Vermilion Research Station.

### **CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 2:20 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

### **IN-CAMERA SESSION:**

### **MOTION 13-06-414**

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 2:29 p.m.

15. a) Legal

15. b) Labour

15. c) Land

### **CARRIED**

### **MOTION 13-06-415**

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That Council move out of camera at 4:07 p.m.

### CARRIED

### 15. a) Legal – Regional and/or Rural Water Lines

### **MOTION 13-06-416**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the letters be sent to the Town of High Level as amended regarding the regional water system and the regional service sharing agreement review.

### **CARRIED**

### 15. a) Legal – Regional Collaboration

### **MOTION 13-06-417**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Mackenzie Region Inter-municipal Communications and Information-Sharing Protocol and the Mackenzie Region

Tri-Council and CAO Secretariat Governance Protocol be approved as presented.

### **CARRIED**

### **MOTION 13-06-418**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Mackenzie County participates in the Regional Sustainability Study with the Town of High Level and the Town of Rainbow Lake.

### **CARRIED**

### **MOTION 13-06-419**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Mackenzie County approves the Town of High Level as the managing partner under the Regional Collaboration Program Application for the Regional Sustainability Study.

### **CARRIED**

### 15. a) Legal – Environment (ADDITION)

### **MOTION 13-06-420**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the environment update be received for information.

### CARRIED

### 15. a) Legal – Housing Amalgamation (ADDITION)

### **MOTION 13-06-421**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Flett

That the Mackenzie County representatives on the housing amalgamation committee be authorized to proceed as discussed.

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### 15. b) Labour - CAO Contract

### **MOTION 13-06-422**

**MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That the CAO contract be approved as discussed.

### **CARRIED**

15. c) Land – Woodland Caribou Report

MOTION 13-06-423 MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the Woodland Caribou draft report be received for

information.

**CARRIED** 

15. c) Land – Aggregate Resources

MOTION 13-06-424 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the gravel lease agreement with John Ramsey Lizotte on

River Lot 14 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

15. c) Land – Washouts (ADDITION)

MOTION 13-06-425 MOVED by Councillor Bateman Requires Unanimous

That the washout update be received for information and that administration issue an invoice reflecting the cost to repair the

unauthorized works on County property.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEXT MEETING

16. a) Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, June 26, 2013

vvednesday, June 26, 20°

11:00 a.m.

Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: 17. a) Adjournment

MOTION 13-06-426 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the council meeting be adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes will be presented to Council for approval on June 26, 2013.

Bill Neufeld	Joulia Whittleton
Reeve	Chief Administrative Officer





### MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting			
Meeting Date:	June 26, 2013			
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Environmental So	ervices &		
Title:	La Crete Sewage Lagoon Upgrades & Expa 1:00 p.m.	nsion		
BACKGROUND / P	ROPOSAL:			
See attached invitat	ion to tender.			
OPTIONS & BENEFITS:				
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:				
2013 Budget				
COMMUNICATION	<u>:</u>			
RECOMMENDED A	ACTION:			
Motion 1				
That the La Crete Sewage Lagoon Upgrades and Expansion tenders be opened.				
Author:	Reviewed by:	CAO		

Tenders Received:		
Company		Amount
Motion 2		
That the La Crete Sewalowest qualified bidder.	age Lagoon Upgrades and E	expansion tender be awarded to the
Author:	Reviewed by:	CAO

### **INVITATION TO TENDER**

### MACKENZIE COUNTY LA CRETE SEWAGE LAGOON UPGRADES & EXPANSION

SEALED TENDERS, marked "Mackenzie County; La Crete Sewage Lagoon Upgrades & Expansion", will be received until 1:00 p.m., Local Time, June, 26, 2013 at the offices of Mackenzie County, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

The work includes the following approximate quantities:

•	Strip & Stockpile Topsoil	120,000 c.m.
•	Earth Excavation	525,000 c.m.
•	Fence	4,930 l.m.
•	Sanitary Force Main	135 l.m.
•	Berm Erosion Protection	7,800 s.m.
•	Inlet/Outlet & Cross Flow Structure	17 units
•	Truck Dump Structure	1 unit

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the office of the Engineer upon deposit of \$100.00 in CASH or CERTIFIED CHEQUE made payable to the Engineer. The \$100.00 deposit will be refunded only if Contractors not tendering the Project return the documents in good condition, to the office of the Engineer prior to the date of tender closing. Bonafide Tenderers tendering the Project will have fourteen (14) days to return the documents in good condition following the date of tender closing.

Tenders must be accompanied by a Certified Cheque or Bid Bond in the amount of Ten Percent (10%) of the Tender Price, made payable to the Owner.

A Performance Guarantee & Maintenance Bond in an amount equal to Fifty Percent (50%) of the Contract Sum and a Labour & Materials Payment Bond in an amount equal to Fifty Percent (50%) of the Contract Sum will be required from the successful bidder.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

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### MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Byron Peters, Director of Planning & Development

Title: Bylaw 890-13 Land Use Bylaw Amendment (Original Titled

Property)

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Bylaw 890-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to amend the County Land Use Bylaw (791-10), received first reading at the April 9, 2013 Council meeting.

Administration was directed to draft a Land Use Bylaw amendment for the Agricultural Zone as follows:

- Original parcels 81-160 acres be allowed 3 titles (2 parcels out 10 acres each with exceptions)
- Original parcels of 80 acres or less be allowed 2 titles (1 parcel out 10 acres with exceptions)
- Commercial/Industrial subdivisions out of an Agricultural Zone will be required to provide an Area Structure Plan for the entire original titled parcel and will be discretionary

Following procedures, this draft Bylaw was presented to both the Inter-Municipal Planning Commission (IMPC) and the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) for recommendations. Recommended amendments are highlighted in red.

Bylaw 890-13 was reviewed by the IMPC on April 23, 2013 who made the following motion making additional amendments:

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That the Inter-Municipal Planning Commission (IMPC) recommends to Council for APPROVAL of Bylaw 890-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to amend the County Land Use Bylaw (791-10) with amendments, subject to public input.

Author:	B. Peters	Reviewed by:	CAO

The amendments are, to remove the definition of "Original Title" completely and only keep part 2, the "density" portion of the bylaw.

1. That the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw Section 3.3, Definitions be amended to add:

"ORIGINAL TITLED PROPERTY" means a parcel that has been conveyed from Crown Land to Freehold Land, which may be a quarter section, river lot, or a portion of a quarter section. Where only a portion of the quarter section has been conveyed from Crown Land to Freehold Land, and the balance of the quarter section remained property of the Crown at the time of Conveyance, creating a parcel of less than 160 acres for which a Freehold Land title was issued and registered with the Province, the portion of the quarter section for which a Freehold Land title was issued is deemed the ORIGINAL TITLED PROPERTY.

2. That the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw Section 8.1 C, AGRICULTURAL"A" be amended to read as follows:

### (a) Density (maximum):

i) RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURAL SUBDIVISIONS:

The following standards shall apply to the number of parcels per ORIGINAL TITLED PROPERTY:

ORIGINAL TITLED PROPERTIES 19.1 – 38.2 ha (81-160 acres) or more shall be allowed 3 titles (2 parcels subdivided out)

ORIGINAL TITLED PROPERTIES of less than 19.1 ha (80.9 acres) or less shall be allowed 2 titles (1 parcel subdivided out)

ii) All other uses: At th

At the discretion of the Development Authority, and be All other uses require rezoning and must and required to submit an Area Structure Plan for the entire ORIGINAL TITLED PROPERTY

The amended recommendations were reviewed by the MPC on May 16, 2013 and supported the motion made by the IMPC.

On May 28, 2013 Bylaw was presented to Council where the following motion was made:

Author:	L. Lambert	Reviewed by:	CAO

That Administration proceeds with the Public Hearing for Bylaw 890-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to amend the County Land Use Bylaw (791-10) Section 8.1 C AGRICULTURAL "A" with the recommended amendments from the Inter-municipal Planning Commission and the Municipal Planning Commission.

Bylaw 890-13 was advertised in both the Echo and the Pioneer for two weeks, notifying the Public of the recommended amendments.

No submissions or concerns have been received.

### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

To provide clarity for the public and the planning department regarding Section 8.1 C, AGRICULTURAL "A"

### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Costs will be minimal (advertising), and will be borne by the planning department's operating budget.

### **COMMUNICATION:**

County Image, Planning staff to communicate all changes clearly with potential developers when they apply for subdivisions.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

### Motion 1

That second reading be given to Bylaw 890-13 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to amend Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw (791-10) Section 8.1 C AGRICULTURAL "A".

### Motion 2

That third reading be given to Bylaw 890-13 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to amend Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw (791-10) Section 8.1 C AGRICULTURAL "A".

Author:	L. Lambert	Reviewed by:	CAO

### **BYLAW NO. 890-13**

### BEING A BYLAW OF MACKENZIE COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

### TO AMEND THE MACKENZIE COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has a Municipal Development Plan adopted in 2009, and

**WHEREAS,** Mackenzie County has adopted the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw in 2011, and

**WHEREAS,** the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, has deemed it desirable to amend the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw by adding ORIGINAL TITLED PROPERTY to the Definitions and revising the Agricultural District to provide clarification.

**NOW THEREFORE,** THE COUNCIL OF THE MACKENZIE COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw Section 8.1 C, AGRICULTURAL"A" be amended to read as follows:

### (a) Density (maximum):

<ul><li>i) AGRICULTURAL SUBDIVISIONS</li></ul>
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The following standards shall apply to the number of parcels per PROPERTY:

PROPERTIES 19.1 – 38.2 ha (81-160 acres) or more shall be allowed 3 titles (2 parcels subdivided out)

PROPERTIES of 19.1 ha (80.9 acres) or less shall be

allowed 2 titles (1 parcel subdivided out)

ii) All other uses: All other uses require rezoning and must submit an

Area Structure Plan for the entire PROPERTY

READ a first time this 9 <sup>st</sup> day of April, 2013.		
READ a second time this day of	, 2013.	
READ a third time and finally passed this	day of	, 2013.

Bill Neufeld Reeve

Joulia Whittleton Chief Administrative Officer

### **Mackenzie County**

### PUBLIC HEARING FOR LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT

**BYLAW 890-13** 

### **Order of Presentation**

This Public Hearing will now come to order at
Was the Public Hearing properly advertised?
Will the Development Authority, please outline the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment and present his submission.
Does the Council have any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment?
Were any submissions received in regards to the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment? If yes, please read them.
Is there anyone present who would like to speak in regards of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment?
If YES: Does the Council have any questions of the person(s making their presentation?
This Hearing is now closed at
REMARKS/COMMENTS:

## EGALS **PUBLIC** NOTICES TENDERS, JOB OPPORTUNITIES, REAL **ESTATE**



## Mathieu Hryniuk LLP

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## Primary Duties Include:

- Preparation and drafting of correspondence

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## MACKENZIE COUNTY

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 890-13 890-13

PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT
ACT, being Chapter M-26 of the Statutes of Alberta,
notice is hereby given that the Council of
Mackenzie County will hold a public hearing prior
to the second reading of Bylaw No. 890-13 for an
amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 791-10. The proposed amendment is:

 That the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw Section 8.1 C, AGRICULTURAL"A" be amended to read as follows:

## (a) Density (maximum): i) AGRICULTURAL S

GRICULTURAL SUBDIVISIONS: The following standards shall apply to the

number of parcels per Property:

subdivided out) **Properties** 19.1 – 38.2 ha (81-160 acres) or more shall be allowed 3 titles (2 parcels

shall be allowed **Properties** out) of 19.1 ha (80.9 acres) or less allowed 2 titles (1 parcel

Plan for the entire titled property. rezoning All other uses: All other uses require g and must submit an Area Structure

This Amendment clarifies and simplifies the previous requirements for the number of lots allowed to be subdivided from a parcel of land.

The Public Hearing is to be held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 26 h, 2013 in the Mackenzie County Council Chamber in Fort Vermilion (4511-46 Avenue). The proposed bylaw may be viewed at any Mackenzie County office during regular office hours. Please submit written submissions to the Planning and Development Department prior any questions regulated the control of the control to 4:30 p.m., Department at 780-⊱ Tuesday, June 25, 2012. If you have s regarding the hearing or the bylaw, the ing and Development at 780-5. /18 or 780-928-3983.



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## hanges to Peewee hocke anno unced

Peewee level bodychecking from the Meeting, held this year in Charlottetown, P.E.I., the rul-Canada Annual General decided ing body for Minor Hockey 25 at the Hockey to

the 2013-2014 season This change is to start with

eliminating it as far back as provinces, such as Quebec. bodychecking was already below Peewee, with some removed at all other levels on bodychecking The Hockey Canada ban such is not the

who play the game.
"We know, from a safety on a concern for the safety of the 11 and 12-year-olds Canada's decision was based reason for Hockey

times greater risk of injury in a body checking environ-ment, and a four times greater risk of concussion. effects of concussions on the young developing brain," We don't know the long term be dealing with concussions. That's a very young age to perspective there is a three

> tor of Development, Paul said Hockey Canada's Direc bodychecking in Peewee tion of what minor hockey means to the majority of the hockey leads into the ques-

practice of it any safer early as possible makes the troducing bodychecking as it's not be Moreover, said Carson, "Alberta based players en proven that in

very similar. were looked at and they were who bodychecked in Peewee risdictions in Bantam hockey were compared to injury rates for both juwho Quebec didn't

bodychecking out of the game was a balancing act.
That's because it's not the Canada's intention to take hockey, the decision to take body contact or battling for While it is not Hockey puck out of Peewee

possible, said Carson, to separate age levels or skill level at the national level.

entire Carson. (could) do is deal with entire age group," sa the rest of Bantam. What we OK to have bodychecking in Bantam triple-A but not in come out with a rule that it's "Hockey Canada can't

jority lege, international, Olympic or professional level is, ten just a dream. this majority, a career at colthough a great motivator, ofall levels of the game if, for "Is there ever a need for

ensure participation is fun and safe," said Carson. tional pursuit? We have bodychecking if for the majority of youngsters in Canada hockey is a recrea-Hockey Canada defines to

and advantage on the opponent with the use of the body. two opposing players collide while skating in opposite di-Body checking results when bodychecking as "An attempt by a player to gain an the body to gain the advanrections or when positioning angling allow t ker to use the force

Body contact is defined as

youngsters who participate at fensive player

Holick understands the reasoning behind the new Peewee rules, but said "it's

were taught how to handle themselves, (we) wouldn't have this problem," said Holick, who describes hockey in La Crete as "proud are being coached. If kids

"It's going to be a transi-

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just one of four coaching skills certificates. There will still be coaching instruction for angling, and the other asbodychecking coaching is will continue to receive the said Minor Hockey coaches Representative Craig Reid training

Body contact occurs as a reopposing players in pursuit of the puck or position on the sult of movement by the ofdirection.

going to be rough to go from Peewee to Bantam." Bantam team manager Brent La Crete Lumberjacks

but competitive. "I find it's the way the kids

tion year," said Holick. Hockey Alberta Zone

### MACKENZIE COUNTY

**MACKENZIE COUNTY** 

### NOTICE TO THE ELECTORS MACKENZIE COUNTY

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, has given first reading to borrowing Bylaw No. 903-13 which will, upon final passage and approval, authorize the proper officers of the said County to borrow monies from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority by way of debenture issue, to pay for the cost of the following municipal purpose, namely the construction of Phase I of the High Level Rural Water Line, within the limits of the said municipality:

PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, being Chapter M-26 of the Statutes of Alberta, notice is hereby given that the Council of Mackenzie County will hold a public hearing prior to the second reading of Bylaw No. 890-13 for an amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 791-10. The

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 890-13

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subdivided out

Authority or another authorized financial institution, by the issuance of debentures. The indebtedness will be contracted on the credit and security of the County. The debenture is to be repayable to the \$1,800,000.00. In order to complete the project, it will be necessary for the County to borrow the sum of \$1,800,000.00 for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) years, from the Alberta Capital Finance per cent, per annum, from time to time by semi-annual equal payments of combined principal and interest instalments not to exceed fifteen (15) Alberta Capital Finance Authority according to the repayment structure in effect, namely annual or years, the annual interest not to exceed ten (10%) per cent, per annum, or the interest rate as fixed from time to time by the Alberta Capital Finance cost of the aforesaid project amounts i, to

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE is hereby given by the Council of Mackenzie County that, unless a said Council may pass the said borrowing bylaw petition of the electors for a vote on Bylaw No. 903-13 is demanded, as provided for by the terms 231 of the Municipal Government Act, the 9

rezoning Plan for the

entire titled property.

and must submit an Area

Structure require

All other uses:

All other uses

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parcel

This Amendment clarifies and simplifies the previous requirements for the number of lots

allowed to be subdivided from a parcel of land.

The Public Hearing

is to

be held

at 1:00 p.m.

are required to govern themselves accordingly. All persons interested are hereby notified and they

**DATED** at the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion, Province of Alberta, this 30th day of May, 20 on, in 2013. the

Director of Corporate Services Alison Kilpatrick

> Hockey Alberta officials will meet over the summer to decide on what penalties to assign to bodychecking offenses.

opposed to the bodycheck ban for Peewee hockey. CBC Hockey Night in Canada host Don Cherry is



## MACKENZIE COUNTY

## NOTICE TO THE ELECTORS OF MACKENZIE COUNTY

properties are being described as **Schedule A:** Plan 942 0787, Lots 5 & 6, Block 6 and Plan 942 3391, Lot 5, Block 6 and Plan 5232TR, Lot 1, Block 6 and Plan 1160NY, Lot 1, Block 4 and Plan 792 1881, Lots 1, 2 & 5, Block 18 and Lots 1-3, Block 17 and **Schedule B:** Plan 942 0787, Lot 7, Block 6 and Plan 5232TR, Lot 3, Block 6 and Plan 922 2145, Block 21 and Plan 862 1341, Lot 38, Block 17 and Plan 982 1128, Lot 39, Block 17 in the Hamlet of La Crete. tax for curb, gutter, and sidewalk on 101st Street (approximately 188.11 meters) and 103rd Avenue (approximately 157.57 meters) from 101st Street to 103rd Avenue as a local improvement. The project also includes standalone sidewalk on 101 Street from 101 Avenue to 105 Avenue (approximately 181.27 meters). The benefiting authorize reading to local improvement Bylaw No. 901-13 which will, upon final passage and approval TAKE NOTICE that the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, has the imposition of a local improvement outter, and sidewalk on 101st Street ). The benefiting given first No. 901-13

The estimated cost of the aforesaid projects amounts to **Schedule A** \$221,000.00 and of **Schedule B** \$84,000.00. The said project is subject to the local improvement charge of which 70% will be paid by Mackenzie County and the 30% will be collected by way of local improvement assessment. In order to complete the project it will be necessary for the County to collect the sum by way of annual, uniform local improvement tax rate assessed against the benefiting owners. The local improvement tax will Schedule B levied annually against the benefiting owners resid in **Schedule A** is \$66,300.00, and residing be collected for ten (10) years and the total amount \$25,200.00

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE is hereby given by the Council of Mackenzie County that, unless a Section 231 of the Municipal Government Act, the said Council may pass the said local improvement petition of the electors for a vote on Bylaw No. 901-3 is demanded, as provided for by the terms and proceed with construction of the

are required to govern themselves accordingly. All persons interested are hereby notified and they

DATED at the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion, province of Alberta, the 5th day of June, 20 ₹. the

Alison Kilpatrick
Director of Corporate Services

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## any questions regarding the hearing or the bylaw, please call the Planning and Development Department at 780-927-3718 or 780-928-3983. Wednesday, June 26 h, 2013 in the Mackenzie County Council Chamber in Fort Vermilion (4511-46 Avenue). The proposed bylaw may be viewed at any Mackenzie County office during regular office hours. Please submit written submissions to the Planning and Development Department prior to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 25, 2012. If you have



### MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: William (Bill) Kostiw – Director of Infrastructure Development

& Government Relations

Title: Bylaw 770-10 Unsightly Premises

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

At the June 18, 2013 Community Services Committee meeting, a recommendation was made for administration to review and present noted request for change to Unsightly Premises Bylaw 770-10 to Council for approval.

That Community Services Committee recommend Administration present recommendation for Council to review allotted time for premises clean up in Unsightly Bylaw.

Section 5.2 (d) states that the clean-up, removal, clearing or other actions must be done within **21 (twenty-one) calendar days** from the Order date. These timelines are minimums based on the legislative requirements indicated below – 14 days allowed for the property owner to request a review by Council, and 7 days for the delivery of the notice – this totals 21 days.

Section 5.6 authorizes the County Administrator to extend the time for carrying out a clean-up order.

Timelines could be adjusted under Section 1.6 which allow 10 days from the date of the issuance of a warning letter for an inspection to be done by an Enforcement Officer.

### <u>Legislative Requirements</u>

Division 4 of the Municipal Government Act deals with the Enforcement of Municipal Law (attached).

Please note the following legislated timeline requirements:

Author:	W. Kostiw/C. Gabriel	Review Date:	CAO	
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According to Section 547 of the MGA:

### Review by council

- **547(1)** A person who receives a written order under section 545 or 546 may by written notice request council to review the order within
  - (a) 14 days after the date the order is received, in the case of an order under section 545, and
  - (b) 7 days after the date the order is received, in the case of an order under section 546, or any longer period as specified by bylaw.
  - **(2)** After reviewing the order, the council may confirm, vary, substitute or cancel the order.

The Interpretation Act also sets timelines in regards to notice delivery as follows:

### Presumption of service

- 23(1) If an enactment authorizes or requires a document to be sent, given or served by mail and the document is properly addressed and sent by prepaid mail other than double registered or certified mail, unless the contrary is proved the service shall be presumed to be effected
  - (a) 7 days from the date of mailing if the document is mailed in Alberta to an address in Alberta, or
  - (b) subject to clause (a), 14 days from the date of mailing if the document is mailed in Canada to an address in Canada.
  - (2) Subsection (1) does not apply if
    - (a) the document is returned to the sender other than by the addressee, or
    - (b) the document was not received by the addressee, the proof of which lies on the addressee.

### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

### Option 1

Remove the issuance of a warning letter prior to the property inspection taking place and proceed directly to the issuance of a Clean-up Order following the property inspection. This would reduce the time period by 10 days.

### Option 2

Recommend no changes to the unsightly premises bylaw.

### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Author:	W. Kostiw/C. Gabriel	Review Date:	CAO	

### **COMMUNICATION:**

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For review and discussion.

Author: W. Kostiw/C. Gabriel Review Date: CAO

### BY-LAW NO. 770-10 MACKENZIE COUNTY

A By-law of the Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, to regulate unsightly premises.

**WHEREAS** under the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, Council may pass bylaws regulating unsightly premises;

**AND WHEREAS** unsightly premises are a detriment to surrounding properties and the immediate neighborhood generally;

**AND WHEREAS** Council deems it advisable to pass a bylaw to regulate unsightly premises;

**AND WHEREAS** the purpose of this Bylaw is to prevent the existence and proliferation of unsightly premises and to provide a mechanism for the remediation of a property which has become an unsightly premises;

### NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF MACKENZIE COUNTY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

### 1. **GENERAL**

- 1.1 This Bylaw shall be cited as the Unsightly Premises Bylaw.
- 1.2 In this bylaw, whenever the male gender is specified, it shall be interpreted as meaning both male and female as applicable.
- 1.3 The provision of this Bylaw shall not be interpreted to prevent bona fide and permitted commercial, industrial, agricultural, construction, demolition, renovation, landscaping, clean-up, storage or other related activities from being carried out on, or in relation to a premises.
- 1.4 Regard shall be given to the use and location of the property (ie. residential, commercial, industrial, acreage, farm, or located along major public roadway), as well as conditions of any public property which is adjacent to such property (for example slope of ditches, ditches filled with water or gravel), in determining what remedies should be taken and whether a premise is an unsightly premise.
- 1.5 Regard shall be given to the available disposal facilities within the County and/or neighboring municipalities that will able an Owner to comply with this bylaw.
- 1.6 If a complaint is received from a resident regarding a premise being unsightly, a warning letter shall be issued to the Owner by the County's Administrator prior

to issuing a Clean-up Order. The letter shall outline nature of a complaint and advising that an inspection of the property will be undertaken by an Enforcement Officer within 10 (ten) calendar days from the warning letter date. If upon inspection, a property, for which a complaint is made, is found to be unsightly, a Clean-up Order may be issued as specified in this bylaw.

### 2. **DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 In this Bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires, the term (in alphabetical order):
  - a) "Animal material" means any animal excrement and includes all material accumulated on a premises from pet pens, yards, stables, veterinary clinics or hospitals, kennels or feed lots;
  - b) "Ashes" means the powdery residue accumulated on a premises left after the combustion of any substance and includes any partially burnt wood, charcoal or coal;
  - c) "Building material" means all construction and demolition material accumulated on a premises while constructing, altering, repairing or demolishing any structure and includes, but is not limited to, earth, vegetation or rock displaced during such construction, alteration or repair;
  - d) "County Administrator" means the person designated by Council as the County's Chief Administrative Officer or his/her designate;
  - e) "County" means the municipal corporation of the Mackenzie County;
  - f) "Clean-up Order" means an Order issued under this bylaw by the County Administrator with respect to an unsightly premises within the County;
  - g) "Enforcement Officer" means County Administrator, an enhanced policeman, or any employee of the County that is designated by the County Administrator to carry out enforcement powers under this bylaw;
  - h) "Equipment" and/or "machinery" means units which have been rendered inoperative by reason of its disassembly, age or mechanical condition and includes any household appliances;
  - "Fence" means a permanent enclosing material, maximum six foot height, of wood, steel or like materials designated to provide visual screening and not detract from surrounding neighborhood, as permitted by the County's land use bylaw;

- j) "Garbage" means materials of every description or kind, or abandoned, discarded, or rejected goods <u>disposable in a garbage can or receptacle</u> and includes bottles, metal cans or tins, crockery, glass, grass cuttings, paper, cloth, food, food waste, wrappings, sweepings and the like;
- k) "Occupant" means any person other than the registered owner who is in possession of the Property, including but not limited to, a lessee, licensee, tenant or agent of the Owner.
- I) "Owner" means:
  - i) A Person who is registered under the Land Titles Act as the owner of the land:
  - ii) A Person who is recorded as the owner of the property on the assessment roll of the County;
  - iii) A Person holding himself out as the person having the powers and authority of ownership or who for the time being exercises the powers and authority of ownership;
  - iv) A Person controlling the property under construction, or;
  - v) A Person who is the occupant of the property under a lease, license or permit.
  - m) "Premises" means the external surfaces of all buildings and the whole or part of any land, including land immediately adjacent to any building or buildings, situated in whole or in part in the County and includes lands or buildings owned or leased by the County;
  - n) "Reasonable State of Repair" means the condition of being:
    - i) structurally sound;
    - ii) free from damage;
    - iii) free from rot or other deterioration; and safe for its intended use.
  - o) "Right of access" means the right of an Enforcement Officer to enter onto a property to inspect the property to determine whether to issue a Cleanup Order, or to allow work forces access to the property for the purposes of enforcing a Clean-up Order;
  - p) "Trash" means materials of every description or abandoned, discarded or rejected goods <u>not disposable in a garbage can or receptacle</u>, included but not limited to trailers, sheds, shacks;
  - q) "Work forces" means County employees or contract workers engaged by the County for the purposes of enforcing a Clean-up Order;

- "Yard material" means organic matter formed as a result of gardening or horticultural pursuits and includes grass, tree and hedge cuttings and clippings;
- s) "Weeds" means weeds as defined by the Weed Control Act.

### 3. **RESPONSIBILITIES OF OWNER**

- 3.1 Property owners shall keep such property and any public property which abuts or flanks such property, in a presentable condition and shall:
  - a) Remove garbage, yard material, animal material, building material, and ashes as it accumulates;
  - b) Prune and remove trees or shrubs in deteriorating condition located on the premises;
  - c) Cut grass and control dandelions and other noxious weeds;
  - d) Remove any vehicles, equipment, machinery, trash, or parts thereof;
  - e) Not suffer or permit trees, or other vegetation growing on the property to interfere or endanger the lines, poles, conduits, pipes, sewers, public utility laneways or other works of the County;
- 3.2 Owner of a property in urban areas shall:
  - a) maintain all buildings, structures and improvements to their property so that:
    - i) the foundations;
    - ii) exterior walls;
    - iii) roof;
    - iv) windows, including frames, shutters and awnings;
    - v) doors, including frames and awnings;
    - vi) steps and sidewalks; and
    - vii) fences;

are kept in a Reasonable State of Repair.

- b) maintain all fixtures, improvements, renovations, or additions to any building, structure or improvement on their property, including but not limited to:
  - i) exterior stairs;
  - ii) porches;
  - iii) decks:
  - iv) patios;

- v) landings;
- vi) balconies; or
- vii) other similar structures

shall be maintained in a Reasonable State of Repair.

### 4. **UNSIGHTLY PREMISES**

- 4.1 Unsightly Premises shall mean any property, whether land, buildings, improvements to lands or buildings, personal property, or any other combination of the above, located on land within the County that, in the opinion of Council, County's Administrator or an Enforcement Officer is unsightly to such an extent as to detrimentally affect the repose, amenities, use, value or enjoyment of the surrounding lands in reasonable proximity to the unsightly premises, or is otherwise detrimental to the surrounding area or in an unsightly condition as defined by the Municipal Government Act.
- 4.2 In determining whether a premise is an unsightly premise, an Enforcement Officer shall use the following guideline:
  - a) A property or part of it is unsightly when it is characterized by visual evidence of a lack of general maintenance and upkeep by the excessive accumulation on the premises, or any other hazard or condition which poses a danger to public safety:
    - i) Any garbage, trash, building material, ashes, manure, human excrement or sewage, animal material or the whole or a part of an animal carcass, dirt, soil, gravel, rocks, sod, petroleum products, hazardous materials, disassembled equipment or machinery;
    - ii) Uncontrolled grass and weeds on premises;
    - iii) The whole or part of any motor vehicle or vehicles which has no current license plate attached to it and in respect of which, no registration certificate has been issued for the current year, and which is inoperative by reason of removed parts, or equipment;
    - iv) The lack of repair or maintenance of buildings, structures or Property, including but not limited to:
      - i) the significant deterioration of buildings, structures or improvements, or portions of buildings, structures or improvements;
      - ii) broken or missing windows, siding, shingles, shutters, eaves or other building material; or

- iii) significant fading, chipping or peeling of painted areas of buildings, structures or improvements on Property.
- 4.3 If an Enforcement Officer has reason to believe that any property is an unsightly premise he may exercise a right of access to the property in order to inspect the premises to determine whether the property contravenes the provisions of this Bylaw.

### 5. **ISSUING A CLEAN-UP ORDER**

5.1 If an Enforcement Officer considers any property to be an unsightly premise, the Enforcement Officer may issue a Clean-up Order.

### 5.2 Each Order:

- a) Shall describe the property by
  - i) name, if any, and
  - ii) the municipal address and/or legal description
- b) Shall state that the property contravenes the provisions of this Bylaw.
- c) Shall give reasonable particulars of the extent of the clean up, removal, clearing or other actions required to be made.
- d) Shall state that the clean up, removal, clearing or other actions must be done within 21 (twenty one) calendar days from the Order date;
- e) Shall state that if the required actions are not done within the time specified, the County may carry out the actions required and charge the cost thereof against the person to whom the Order is directed and if such person does not pay the costs, the costs shall be charged against the property concerned as taxes due and owing in respect of that property, and recovered as such.
- 5.3 The Order shall be served upon the owner of the property and a copy may be served on any person shown by the records of the Land Titles Office to have an interest in the property.

### 5.4 An Order may be served:

- a) by being delivered personally to the person who is intended to be served;
- b) by being left with a person apparently over the age of eighteen (18) years at the dwelling place or place of business of the person who is intended to be served; or

- c) by being sent by registered mail to the last known address of the person who is intended to be served as shown on the assessment roll of the County and the Order shall be deemed to be served upon the expiry of five (5) days after the mailing of the Order.
- 5.5 If, in the opinion of the Enforcement Officer, service under subsection (5.4) cannot reasonably be effected, the Enforcement Officer may post the Clean-up Order or a copy of the Order in a conspicuous place on the land or property to which the Order relates, or on the private dwelling place of the person who is intended to be served and such Order is deemed to be served upon the expiry of five (5) calendar days after such Clean-up Order is posted.
- 5.6 County Administrator may extend the time for carrying out a Clean-up Order.

### 6. APPEALING A CLEAN-UP ORDER

- 6.1 An Owner or Occupant who receives a written Order under this bylaw may request a review of the Order by written notice to Council within fourteen (14) days of the day on which the Order is received. Upon reviewing the Order, Council may confirm, vary, substitute or cancel the Order.
- 6.2 An Owner or Occupant or other person affected by the decision of Council under Section 6.1 may appeal to the Court of Queen's Bench, within the time period set out in the *Municipal Government Act*, Section 548.

## 7. <u>FAILURE TO ACT BY AN OWNER UPON ISSUANCE OF A CLEAN-UP ORDER</u>

- 7.1 The person to whom an Order is directed shall comply with the directions of the Order as set out in the Order of the Enforcement Officer.
- 7.2 If a person to whom an Order is directed under this Bylaw fails to carry out the Order within the time stated in such Order, an Enforcement Officer may exercise a right of access to the unsightly premises and may, with whatever work forces as are necessary, enter the premises against which the Order has been issued and carry out the Order.
- 7.3 The County or persons appointed by it may remove any fencing or other obstructions in carrying out the Order and shall replace or repair any fencing or other obstructions removed or damaged in the course of carrying out the Order.

### 8. **EXPENSES INCURRED IN CARRYING OUT A CLEAN-UP ORDER**

8.1 All and any expenses incurred by the County in carrying out an Order under this section constitutes a debt owing to the County from the person to whom the Order is directed.

### 8.2 The following rates shall apply:

- a) If a third party was engaged in carrying out the Order under direction of an Enforcement Officer, the actual expense plus 5% shall be invoiced to the Owner:
- b) If the County's work forces were used in carrying out the Order under direction of an Enforcement Officer, the Owner shall be invoiced <u>double the rate specified in the County's Fee Schedule Bylaw in place at the time of clean-up.</u>

### 9. MATERIALS COLLECTED IN CARRYING OUT A CLEAN-UP ORDER

- 9.1 Where the County carries out an Order under this Section the work forces shall deposit any material removed from an unsightly premises at a location designated by the County Administrator.
- 9.2 Notwithstanding subsection (9.1) where an Enforcement Officer is of the opinion that the material removed under subsection (9.1) has no value he may direct that the material be disposed of.
- 9.3 When material removed from an unsightly premise is removed to a location specified by the County Administrator, the County Administrator may direct that the property be disposed of if the person to whom an Order has been issued does not remove the property within fourteen (14) days of being requested in writing to do so by the County Administrator.
- 9.4 If the County sells all or part of a building, structure or improvement that has been removed under this Bylaw, the proceeds of the sale must be used to pay the expenses and costs or the removal and any excess proceeds must be paid to the Owner or Occupant, if entitled to them.

### 10. PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THIS BYLAW

10.1 A person is guilty of an offence and liable for non-compliance with this bylaw.

Clean-up Order is issued as:	Compliance with Clean-up Order	Non-compliance with Clean-up Order
First offence	No Fine	\$250 Fine
Second offence	\$250 Fine	\$250 Fine
Third offence	\$250 Fine	\$250 Fine
Fourth and subsequent Offence	\$250 Fine	\$250 Fine

### 11. ADDING AMOUNTS OWING TO A TAX ROLL

- 11.1 Within thirty (30) days of ascertaining the amount of the expenses incurred by the County in carrying out the Order to the Owner or issued as a fine per Section 9, a demand for payment shall be sent of these expenses to the person to whom the Order was directed.
- 11.2 Where the person to whom the Order is directed and a fine is issued per Section 9 fails, within thirty (30) days after a demand for payment, to pay the fines and expenses incurred by the County, the total outstanding amount shall be placed on the tax roll as an additional tax against the land concerned and that amount:
  - a) forms a lien on the land in favour of the County, and
  - b) shall, for all purposes, be deemed to be taxes imposed and assessed on the land and delinquent under the Municipal Government Act from the date the expenses were incurred.
- 12. This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon receiving third reading and shall repeal Bylaw 137/98 and Bylaw 298/02.

READ a first time this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

READ a second time this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

READ a third time and finally passed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

(original signed)

Greg Newman Reeve

(original signed)

William Kostiw

Chief Administrative Officer



# MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: William Kostiw, Director of Infrastructure Development and

**Government Relationships** 

Title: Hamlet of Zama - Unsightly Premises

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

In August 2012, administration inspected all properties in Zama in regards to compliance with Bylaw 770-10, Unsightly Premises. On August 27, 2012 fifty letters with copies of the bylaw were issued to landowners that had been in violation for sixty six different properties. The warning letter encouraged landowners to read the bylaw and rectify all deficiencies. The letter also stated that if deficiencies were not rectified by November 1, 2012, a "Clean-up Order" shall be issued.

While a majority of the landowners have complied and cleanup their properties, there are a few that did not comply. The County has not issued Clean-up Orders to-date.

### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

Administration recommends that the cleanup orders be issued for the six properties where the landowners failed to undertake the cleanup as requested in 2012.

We propose the following time schedule to undertake this task:

July 8-12	Re-inspect targeted	properties;

**July 15-19** Issue "Clean-up Orders" as specified in paragraph 5 of the by-law.

The landowners will have fourteen days to appeal from the date of

letters being issued;

August 2 Re-inspect and engage paragraph 7.2 of by-law to all outstanding

properties.

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### Section 7.2 states:

If a person to whom an Order is directed under this Bylaw fails to carry out the Order within the time stated in such Order, an Enforcement Officer may exercise a right of access to the unsightly premises and may, with whatever work forces as are necessary, enter the premises against which the Order has been issued and carry out the Order.

### October 1 Completion

Please note some of these properties have been abandoned by the landowners for a number of years. These landowners have been paying their property taxes as these have been low. If cleanup is undertaken by the County, the County will attach these costs to a property's tax roll where the cleanup took place. The cleanup costs may be substantial for some properties, so there is some risk that a landowner may decide not to pay. This means that the County may end up with the property through a tax forfeiture.

Alternatively, Council may choose to follow the presented time schedule, but for selected properties (for example the properties that are located along the main road – Tower Road). This would show the County's assertiveness in this matter with a lower cost, and may also encourage other landowners to comply. OR, the County could continue with passive encouragement to landowners through letters and other education materials.

### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Please note that the County's cost to cleanup will be offset with an invoice to the landowner.

While the cleanup costs may vary for different properties, through a verbal inquiry for one of the properties on Tower Road we received an estimate of \$5,000 - \$10,000 from a local contractor.

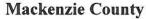
### **COMMUNICATION:**

As per MGA and Unsightly Premises Bylaw.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That the County proceeds with unsightly premises cleanup for all non-compliant properties along Tower Road in the Hamlet of Zama with the time schedule as presented.

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PO Box 640, Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0 Phone: (780) 927-3718 Fax: (780) 927-4266

Toll Free: 1-877-927-0677 Email: office@mackenziecounty.com

August 27, 2012

Dear Landowner,

### Re: Unsightly Premises

We are informing you that your property in Zama City has been identified as being in violation of Mackenzie County Unsightly Premises By-law in part or in whole.

With the recent events of forest fires threatening the Hamlet of Zama, the lack of general maintenance and upkeep to one's property made it difficult to protect the community from the onslaught of fire.

Uncontrolled grass, weeds, garbage, deteriorating building and old vehicles raised concern with fire fighters as an extra source of fuel and made it challenging to put precautions and safe guards in place.

For the safety of all residents, business and entire community you are strongly encouraged to read the attached By-law and rectify any deficiencies your property may have.

Please note: if these deficiencies are not rectified by **1 November**, **2012** a "Cleanup Order" shall be issued as stated in By-law 770-10, paragraph 5. If these deficiencies have already been corrected, we Thank-you and please disregard this letter.

For further information or questions, please contact the Zama Site Manager, Don Roberts at (780) 841-5050.

Joulia Whittleton

Chief Administrative Officer

Mackenzie County



## MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: William (Bill) Kostiw – Director of Infrastructure Development

& Government Relations

Title: Contract Services – Peace Officer

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Mackenzie County currently employs one Bylaw Enforcement Officer. This position is established by Council Bylaw No. 888-13.

### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

Due to a number of complaints during our La Crete ratepayers meeting about ATV's a suggestion was made to look into the possibility of contracting a Peace Officer from other neighboring Municipalities for a few days a week for a specific period of time or days.

Benefit: Reduce crime and vandalism as well as nuisance complaints within Mackenzie County.

### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

There is no funding currently in our 2013 budget.

### **COMMUNICIATION:**

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For discussion.

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# MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: John Klassen, Director of Environmental Services &

**Operations** 

Title: Chip Seal La Crete North (RR 15-1)

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

At the June 10, 2013 Public works committee meeting the following motion was made with the discussion being, that the original intent for the Spruce Road project was to perform a road ditch clean out to alleviate the standing water issue in the area which in turn will protect the County road structure;

### MOTION 13-06-041 MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That the recommendation be taken to Council to proceed with 2 miles of double chip seal north of La Crete with funding being moved from the Spruce Road Project leaving the Spruce Road Project with enough funds for drainage cleanup.

Councillor Jorgensen requested noted vote (recorded).

In Favour
Reeve Neufeld
Chair/Deputy Reeve Sarapuk
Vice-Chair Driedger
Councillor Derksen

**Opposed**Councillor Jorgensen

**CARRIED** 

### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

### Option 1:

To reallocate a portion of funds from the spruce road project to chip seal a 2 mile section North of La Crete.

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### Option 2:

That the spruce road project remains status quo as per 2013 approved capital budget.

The benefit of reallocating funds to a chip seal project is that more than one item get addressed meanwhile the standing water issue on Spruce Road will still be rectified.

### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Current spruce Road Project Budget = \$330,000.00

Move to the chip seal project = \$275,000.00

Spruce road remaining Budget = \$55,000.00

There is no new funding required only a reallocation, therefore the project funding will come from the current 2013 approved capital budget.

### **COMMUNICATION:**

NA

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

### Motion 1

That Mackenzie County reallocate \$275,000.00 from the Spruce Road project to a chip seal project two miles north of La Crete and the remaining \$55,000.00 be used to rectify the standing water issue on Spruce Road.

### Motion 2

That Mackenzie County creates a Request for Proposal to chip seal two miles of road north of La Crete.

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## MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Byron Peters, Director of Planning & Development

Bylaw 906-13 Land Use Bylaw Amendment Application to

Title: Rezone Plan 982 5602, Block 19, Lot 4 from Hamlet

Commercial 2 'HC2' to Hamlet Industrial 2 'HI2' (La Crete)

### BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

In the end of April, it came to the attention of the Planning Department that the UFA Fertilizer Storing and Retail business recently underwent major renovations. This type of development requires a development permit. Administration contacted UFA and a Development Permit was received (after the renovations were complete).

Planning Staff reviewed the application and determined that it could not be accepted as the type of development they were asking for and currently are conducting is not allowed in a Hamlet Commercial 2 District.

A letter was sent to UFA informing them of the situation and that they would need to apply for a re-zoning. (See Attached).

The applicant is requesting to rezone from Hamlet Commercial 2 "HC2" to Hamlet Industrial 2 "HI2" which allows Bulk Fertilizer and Storage and/or Sales as a Discretionary Use.

The Planning Department does not foresee any issues or concerns with the proposal as the subject lot is surrounded on two sides with Hamlet Industrial 2 District, on the east and the south. In actual, rezoning this lot will square up the zoning lines with 105<sup>th</sup> Ave as a dividing line between Industrial Uses and Commercial Uses.

Bylaw 8\_\_-13 was presented to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) at their June 6, 2013 meeting where the following motion was made:

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That the Municipal Planning Commission recommendation to Council for Approval of Bylaw 8\_\_-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 982 5602, Block 19, Lot 4 from Hamlet Commercial 2 'HC2' to Hamlet Industrial 2 'HI2', subject to a Public Hearing.

Bylaw number 906-12 has since been assigned to this application.

### **OPTIONS**

### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That first reading be given to Bylaw 906-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 982 5602, Block 19, Lot 4 from Hamlet Commercial 2 'HC2' to Hamlet Industrial 2 'HI2' in the Hamlet of La Crete, subject to a Public Hearing.

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### **BYLAW NO. 906-13**

## BEING A BYLAW OF MACKENZIE COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

## TO AMEND THE MACKENZIE COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has a Municipal Development Plan adopted in 2009, and

**WHEREAS,** Mackenzie County has adopted the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw in 2004, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, has deemed it desirable to amend the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw to accommodate Stick Built Homes.

**NOW THEREFORE**, THE COUNCIL OF THE MACKENZIE COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the land use designation of the subject parcel known as:

Plan 982 5602, Block 19, Lot 4

within the Hamlet of La Crete, be rezoned from Hamlet Commercial 2 "HC2" to Hamlet Industrial 2 "HI2", as outlined in Schedule "A" hereto attached.

READ a first time this day of	, 2013.
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	Bill Neufeld Reeve
	Joulia Whittleton Chief Administrative Officer

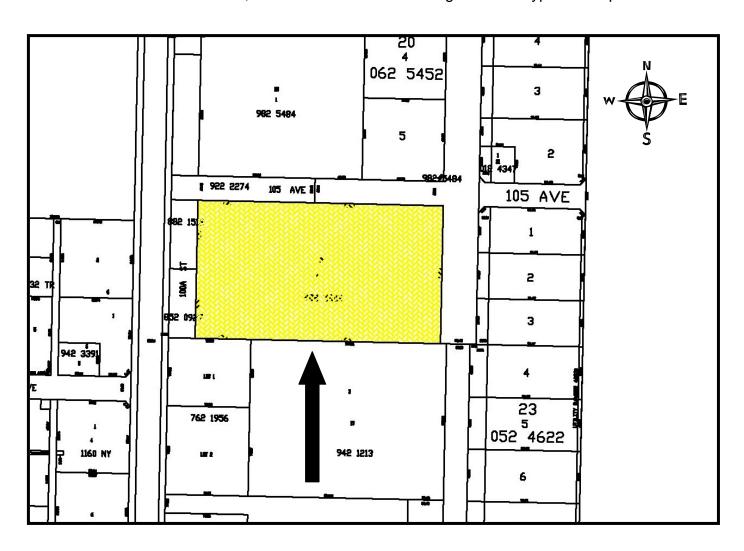
### **BYLAW No. 906-13**

### **SCHEDULE "A"**

1. That the land use designation of the following property known as:

Plan 982 5602, Block 19, Lot 4 (10302 – 99<sup>th</sup> Street)

within the Hamlet of La Crete, be rezoned from Hamlet Commercial 2 "HC2" to Hamlet Industrial 2 "HI2", to accommodate an existing industrial type development.



FROM: Hamlet Commercial 2 "HC2"

TO: Hamlet Industrial 2 "HI2"



### LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

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### **UFA Grain Solutions**

May 31, 2013

Mackenzie County P.O. Box 1690 La Crete, AB T0H 2H0

Attn: Byron Peters

Re: Land Use Bylaw Amendment Application – Plan 982 5602, Block 19, Lot 04

Mr. Peters,

Please see attached with this letter the application for a Land Use Bylaw Amendment for Plan 982 5602, Block 19, Lot 04 in the Hamlet of La Crete. I have also included five drawings showing the location of the parcel and a surveyed site plan of this parcel.

The affected parcel is directly south of 105<sup>th</sup> Avenue and is bordered by 100<sup>th</sup> Street to the West and 99<sup>th</sup> Street to the East. The land is currently zoned HC2 – Hamlet Commercial District. The zoning amendment that we are making application for is HI2 – Hamlet Industrial District.

It has very recently come to our attention that the operation of our Fertilizer Storing and Retail Business does not comply with the current HC2 zoning. This business has been in operation in La Crete on the same parcel in excess of 20 years. We would like to make application to amend the current Land Use Bylaw to change the parcel to HI2 zoning. This amendment would allow the parcel to comply with La Crete's Land Use parameters.

We believe that this application should be given support for a variety of reasons:

1. The above mentioned fact that the operation has been in place and operating in the Hamlet for an excess of 20 years. When it was originally installed it complied with the Land Use.

UFA Grain Solutions 210 Burnt Lake Business Park Red Deer, AB T4S 2L4

Phone: 403-356-3600 Fax: 403-356-3665

- 2. The neighboring parcels south and east are HI2 Hamlet Industrial zoning. A change to this zoning from HC2 should not cause conflict with those neighbors.
- 3. All of the parcels between 94<sup>th</sup> to 105<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 99<sup>th</sup> and 100<sup>th</sup> Street are a combination of HC2 and HI2 zoning. The amendment of our parcels zoning should be consistent with the mix of land use present in this area.
- 4. The business use on this land supports the needs of the community and provides products and services that enhance the business community for both La Crete and Mackenzie County.

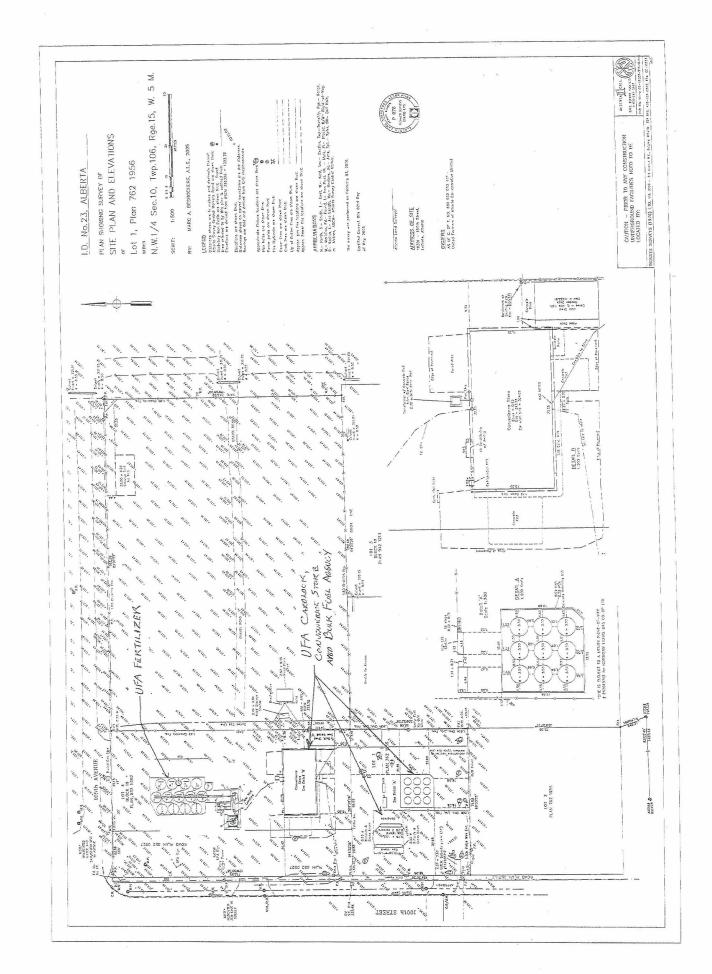
I understand that there is a Council Meeting for Mackenzie County on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Is it possible to be on the agenda for this meeting in order to facilitate first reading of the application? I intend to travel up from Red Deer to be in attendance for this meeting.

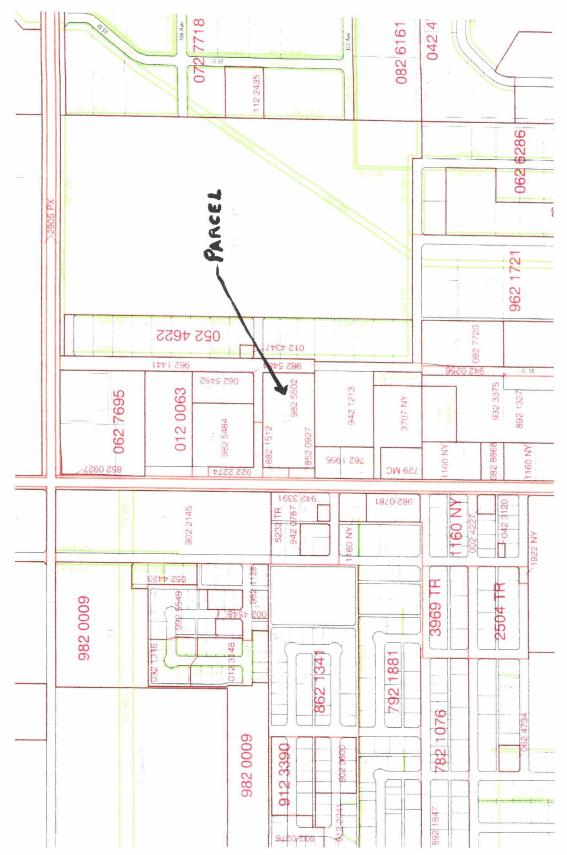
Please let me know if there is anything further that is required for this application. I can either be reached by phone at 403-877-7913 or email at <u>jim.walters@ufa.com</u>.

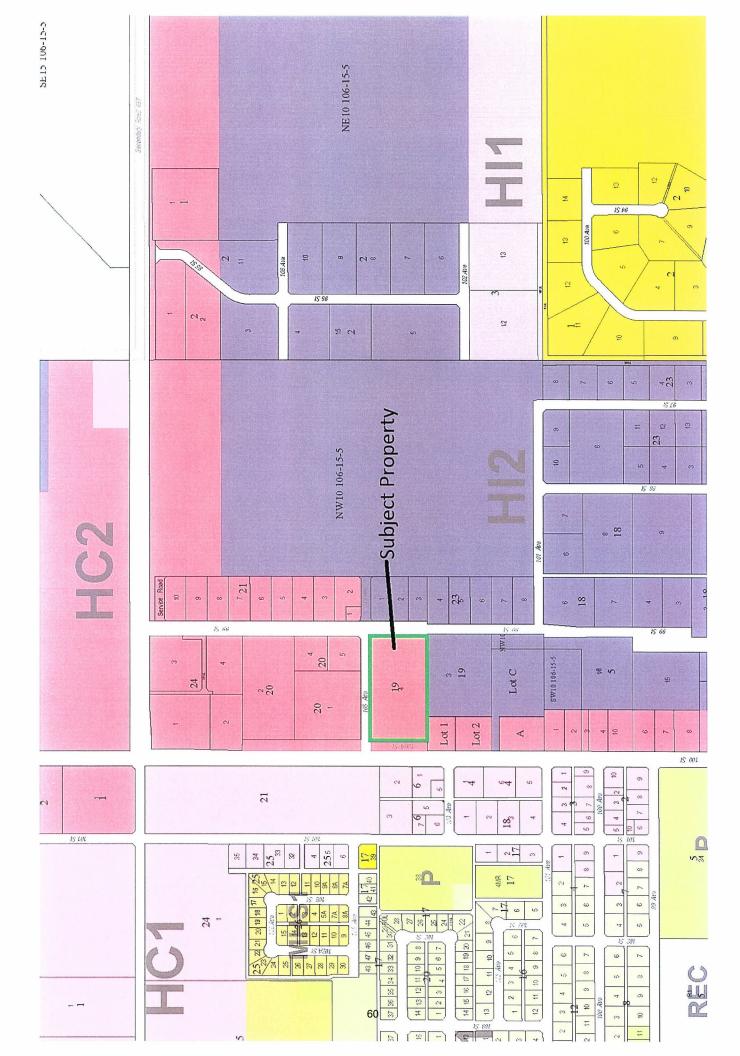
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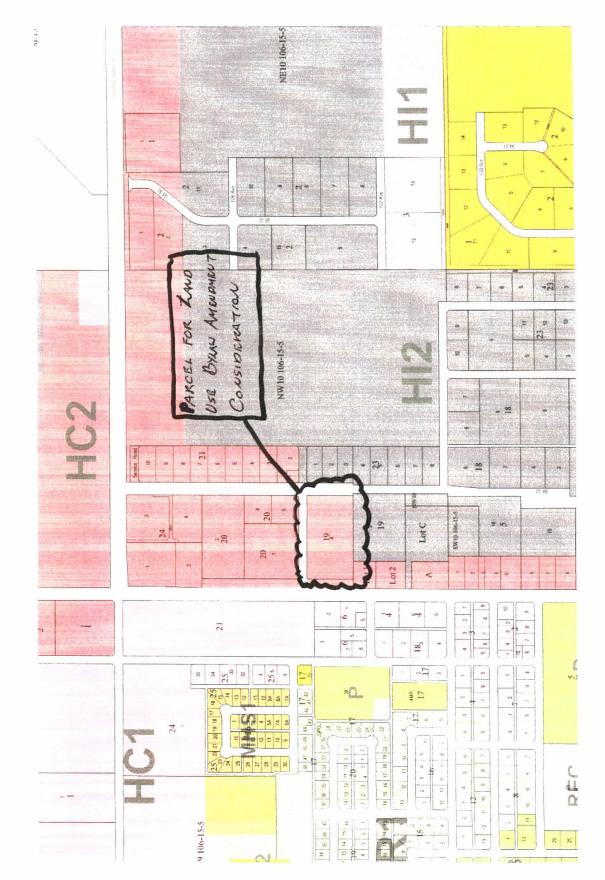
Jim Walters

Manager, UFA Grain Solutions











Mackenzie County P.O. Box 1690, La Crete Alberta T0H 2H0 Phone (780) 928-3983 Fax (780) 928-3636

April 30, 2013

UFA Co-operative Ltd. Attn: Jim Walters 700, 4838 Richard Road SW Calgary, AB T3E 6L1

Dear Mr. Walters:

### Fertilizer Blending and Retail Business in HC2 (Plan 982 5602; Block 19; Lot 04)

We have reviewed your development permit application for Fertilizer Blending and Retail Business in a Hamlet Commercial District "HC2." As the zoning does not allow for a Fertilizer Storing and Retail Business as a permitted or discretionary use, we cannot accept your development permit application. In order to operate this business at this location you need to submit a rezoning application to rezone this property to Hamlet Industrial 2 "HI2" that allows a Fertilizer Storing and Retail Business.

A rezoning application is presented to Council as a bylaw and if it receives first reading it is advertised for public hearing and thereafter, receives second and third reading if Council approves the application. Once the rezoning process is complete the development department would accept a new development permit application for a Fertilizer Storing and Retail Business.

If you wish to proceed with the rezoning of this property please complete the attached Land Use Bylaw Amendment Application and submit it to our office with the application fee of \$400.00. There will be advertising fee if the bylaw proceeds to a Public Hearing.

For any questions or concerns please contact the Planning & Development Department at 928-3983 or stop by the office. Our office hours are 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Yours truly,

Byron Peters,

Director of Planning and Development

Enclosure

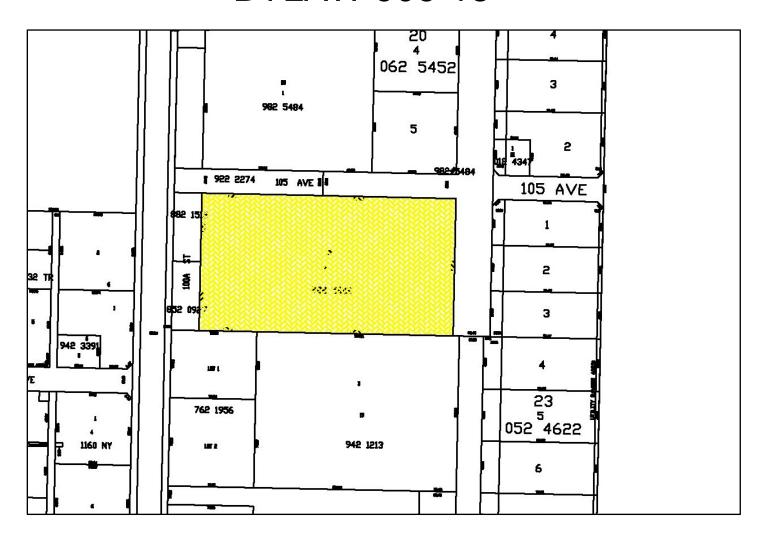


### LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

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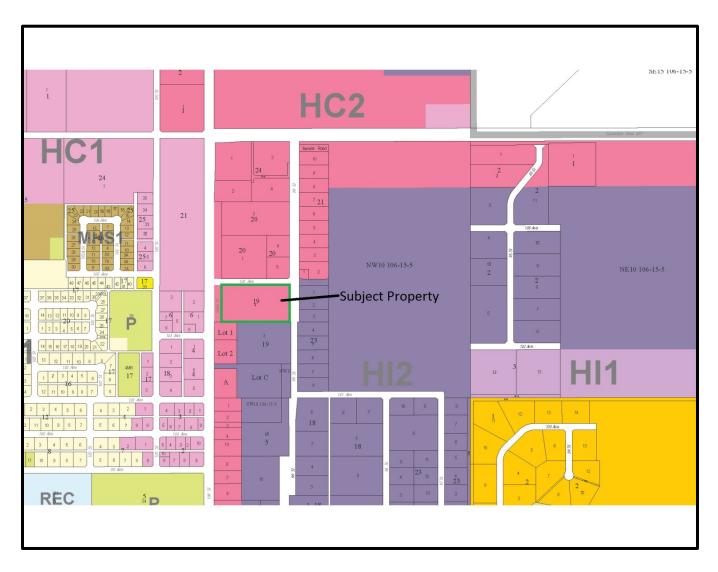
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### **MACKENZIE COUNTY** REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: **Regular Council Meeting** 

**Meeting Date:** June 26, 2013

**Presented By:** Byron Peters, Director of Planning & Development

Bylaw 907-13 Land Use Bylaw Amendment Application to

Rezone Part of NW 9-104-15-W5M from Mobile Home Title:

Subdivision 'MHS1' to Hamlet Residential 1B 'HR1B' (La

Crete)

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

On May 22, 2013, Administration received a Land Use Bylaw amendment application from Vangard Realty Ltd. requesting to rezone Part of NW 9-104-15-W5M (within La Crete) from Mobile Home Subdivision 1 "MHS1" to Hamlet Residential 1B "HR1B' in order to allow for the development of stick built homes.

The proposed area is in a part of town that is surrounded by both manufactured homes and stick built dwellings. Vangard Realty originally developed this area for Manufactured Homes. The company has developed many neighborhoods of this type and now with the current economy: Vangard feels that they can sell more Hamlet Residential lots than Manufactured Homes as the initial cost of a mobile home has risen substantially. (See Attached letter)

Directly north of the proposed area it is zoned for stick built houses, directly south there is already two large areas full of manufactured homes with a large designated spot to the north and more to the east.

In reviewing the current layout of the existing development zoning of the surrounding area, the Planning Department does not see any issues with the requested proposal. However, there is a concern with the current developed, but not registered Phase 7 lots. If this area is rezoned, then the tentative plan will have to be revised increasing the minimum required Mobile Home lot width of 20 meters to the required minimum Hamlet Residential lot width of 22 meters. This could cause problems with the installed infrastructure. Administration contacted the engineering company to see if increasing the lot width after the infrastructure has been installed would be possible. No word has been received back as of yet.

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Bylaw 8\_\_\_-13 was presented to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) at their June 6, 2013 meeting where the following motion was made:

That the Municipal Planning Commission recommendation to Council for Approval of Bylaw 8\_\_-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NW 9-104-15-W5M from Mobile Home Subdivision 'MHS1' to Hamlet Residential 1B 'HR1B'.

Bylaw number 907-12 has since been assigned to this application.

### **OPTIONS**

### **OPTION 1: (Refuse)**

That first reading be refused for Bylaw 907-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NW 9-104-15-W5M from Mobile Home Subdivision 'MHS1' to Hamlet Residential 1B 'HR1B'.

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### **OPTION 2: (Recommend Approval)**

That first reading be given to Bylaw 907-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NW 9-104-15-W5M from Mobile Home Subdivision 'MHS1' to Hamlet Residential 1B 'HR1B', subject to the public hearing input.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That first reading be given to Bylaw 907-13, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NW 9-104-15-W5M from Mobile Home Subdivision 'MHS1' to Hamlet Residential 1B 'HR1B' in the Hamlet of La Crete, subject to the public hearing input.

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### **BYLAW NO. 907-13**

## BEING A BYLAW OF MACKENZIE COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

## TO AMEND THE MACKENZIE COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has a Municipal Development Plan adopted in 2009, and

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**NOW THEREFORE,** THE COUNCIL OF THE MACKENZIE COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the land use designation of the subject parcel known as:

Part of NW 9-106-15-W5M

within the Hamlet of La Crete, be rezoned from Mobile Home Subdivision 1 "MHS1" to Hamlet Residential 1B "HR1B", as outlined in Schedule "A" hereto attached.

READ a first time this day of	, 2013.
READ a second time this day of	, 2013.
READ a third time and finally passed this	day of, 2013.
	Bill Neufeld
	Reeve
	Joulia Whittleton
	Chief Administrative Officer

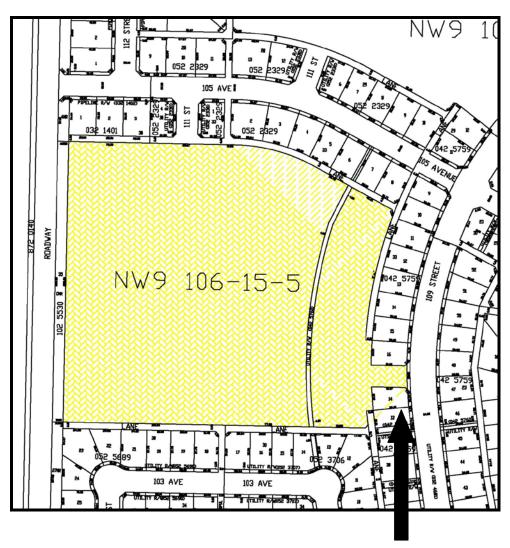
### **BYLAW No. 907-13**

### **SCHEDULE "A"**

1. That the land use designation of the following property known as:

Part of NW 9-106-15-W5M

within the Hamlet of La Crete, be rezoned from Mobile Home Subdivision 1 "MHS1" to Hamlet Residential 1B "HR1B", to accommodate Stick Built Homes.





FROM: Mobile Home Subdivision 1 "MHS1"

TO: Hamlet Residential 1B "HR1B"



### LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT NAME OF APPLICANT NAME OF REGISTER OWNER ADDRESS ADDRESS **TOWN** PHONE (RES.) POSTAL CODE BUS. (306)236 2480 (780) 999 2654 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TWP. 0 6 BLK LOT QTR./LS. LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED: FROM:\_\_\_ REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT: I/WE HAVE ENCLOSED THE REQUIRED APPLICATION FEE OF S 400.00

Vangard Realty

Subject: Rezoning Phase 7 in La Crete

Attention: Mackenzie County Planning Commission, Mackenzie County Council, Ioulia Whittleton, Liane Lambert

Dear Sirs and Mesdams:

May 22, 2013

May I suggest that the Hamlet of La Crete together with Vangard Realty (which company is responsible for developing just under 400 lots in La Crete), are at a fresh juncture in our evolution.

As things have developed, it is in La Crete's best interest that Phase 7 be rezoned from mobile homes to single family houses.

In the past, a large percentage of development went into mobile homes. This was a useful trend when people were content with less and had less money to spend, but now the current abundance of mobile homes furnish a sufficient reservoir of starter homes while more and more growing families are moving onto acreages and into houses.

Also relevant is the fact that mobile homes are no longer the bargain they once were. People logically question the wisdom of settling for a mobile home when for a slightly increased loan they can have a modest house.

When I commented on one fairly nice home in La Crete, the response was that people with an eye to the future invest in houses, not mobile homes.

All of this is to say that a fresh wind blows in this community, bringing with it the message that we would serve the community better by supplying house lots in Phase 7.

Meanwhile, I would be less than wise to invest money and land in developments that do not supply what the market is demanding. There has been next to no real

interest in our mobile home offerings. Such developments offer the developer little hope for a positive cash flow, but rather a threat of a tax drain.

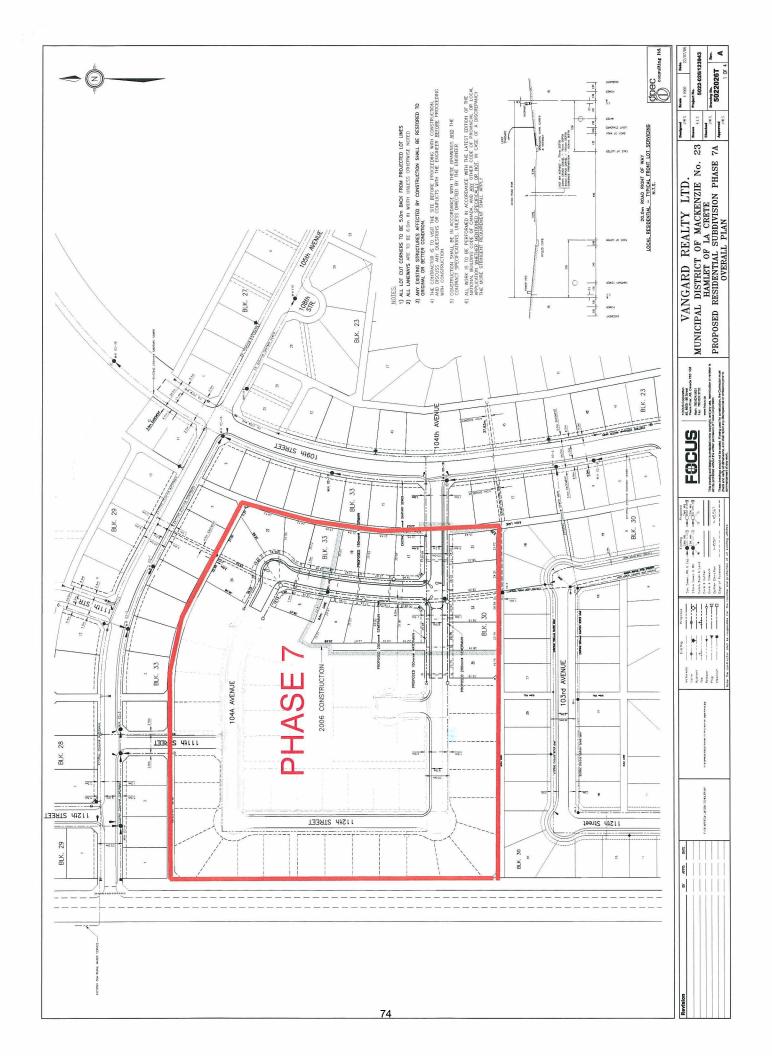
The case in point is Phase 7, a sixty-lot subdivision situated as an entity adjacent to a country road on the west, and a street of houses on the north. *Please see the attached diagram.* To devote even a portion of this area to mobile homes is to spoil the whole area. It is important that this currently developed segment of 104 Ave together with 110 Street be rezoned for houses along with the balance of the parcel including 112 St, 104A Avenue, and a cul-du-sac. (A small park is included).

Thus for the benefit of all involved, I propose that the properly designated authorities rezone the entire area of Phase 7 for single family houses.

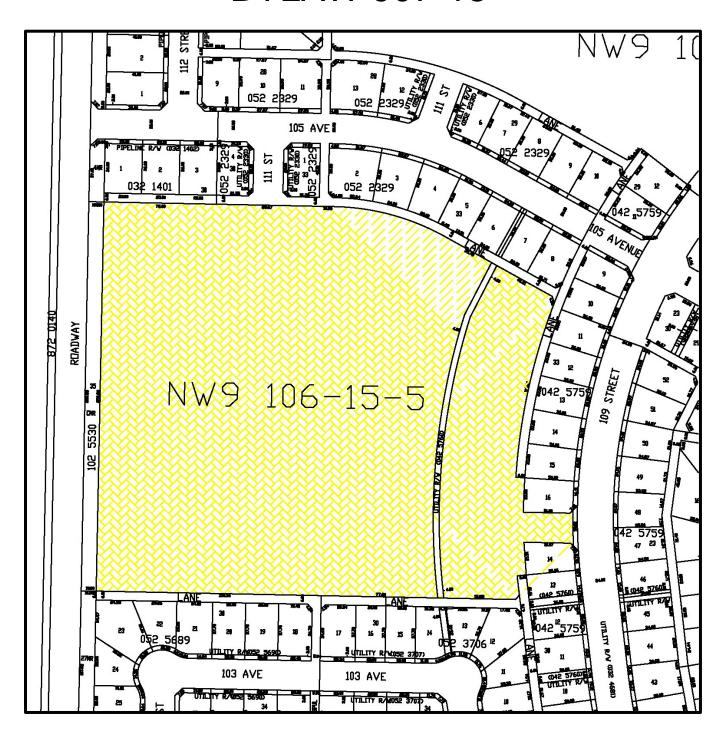
Sincerely, Henry Jay Enns

Vangard Realty 780 999 2654

Attached: Diagram of Phase 7



## **BYLAW 907-13**



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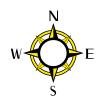
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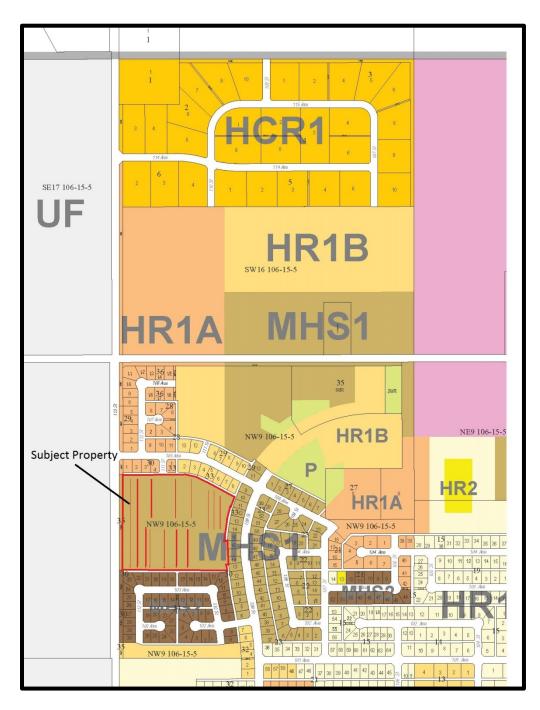
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## MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular C	Council Meeting
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Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Byron Peters, Director of Planning and Development

Title: 152-DP-13 Jacob Dyck (Shop-Farm in "A") (La Crete)

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Mackenzie County has received a development permit request for a Shop-Farm on SW 18-106-13-W5M. This location is in the area identified for Industrial Area Structure Plan along the Highway 88 Connector.

The Development Permit application 152-DP-13 is being presented to Council in accordance with Motion 13-01-022 which states:

That all development applications for the areas identified along Highway 88 Connector, along Highway 88 and along Highway 35, as identified in Motion 13-01-019, Motion 13-01-020, and Motion 13-01-021, be deferred to Council for decision until the Area Structure Plans are completed.

Presently, this location is zoned Agricultural "A" and the application meets all setback requirements for this zoning.

A Shop-Farm is generally used for large equipment storage and agricultural operations. The area along Highway 88 Connector is marked for future industrial type development in which a Shop-Farm also fits.

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#### **OPTIONS AND BENEFITS:**

The Planning Department has no issues or concerns with this development request

**OPTION 1:** Approve Development Permit 152-DP-13.

**OPTION 2:** Refuse Development Permit 152-DP-13.

#### **COSTS/SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That Development Permit 152-DP-13 on SW 18-106-13-W5M in the name of Jacob Dyck be APPROVED with the following conditions:

Failure to comply with one or more of the attached conditions shall render this permit Null and Void

- 1. Minimum building setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
- 2. An Approved Roadside Development Permit is required from Alberta Transportation. All conditions and requirements by Alberta Transportation shall be met to their specifications and standards prior to commencement of development. (Contact Alberta Transportation at 1-780-624-6280).
- 3. The architecture, construction materials and appearance of buildings and other structures shall be to accepted standards.
- 4. The Shop Farm is approved for agricultural purposes only and no commercial activity is permitted in this building. If the developer/landowner/occupant or other person or persons intend to use the Shop Farm for commercial or industrial uses, a new development permit is required prior to the commencement of the commercial or industrial use.
- 5. The Shop Farm shall not be used as a dwelling.
- 6. All sewage disposals shall conform to the Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice 2009.
- 7. Mackenzie County shall not be held liable for any concerns, issues or damages related to and/or resulting from the water tables and any other water

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problems as a result of any low land levels of the proposed development. It is the responsibility of the developer to ensure that adequate drainage and other precautions are taken to avoid water seepage into the basement and/or flooding of the basement, and/or any ancillary buildings.

- 8. This permit approval is subject to the access to the property being constructed to County standards. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Operational Services Department for Mackenzie County at 780-928-3983. Access to be constructed at the developers' expense.
- 9. No construction or development is allowed on or in a right-of-way. It is the responsibility of the developer/owner/occupant to investigate the utility rights-of-way, if any, that exist on the property prior to commencement of any construction and to ensure that no construction or development is completed on any utility right-of-way.
- 10. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.
- 11. The Developer shall at all times comply with all applicable Federal, Provincial and Municipal legislation and regulations and County Bylaws and resolutions relating to the development of the lands.

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# DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

Admin Use Only	
Development Permit # 152 - DP - 13	
Date Received	
June 10, 2013	
Date Accepted	
June 11,2013	

I/We hereby make application under the provisions of the Land Use Bylaw for a Development Permit in accordance with the supporting information submitted which will form part of this application.

APPLICANT INFORMATION				
Applicant Name	Registered Landowner Name (If different than Applicant)			
Jacob D. Duck	To the second se			
Address Box 1053	Address			
La Crete AB				
Totla Ho				
E-mail	E-mail			
Telephone (Res) Work or Cell	Telephone (Res) Work or Cell			
780-928-2445 780-841-9077				
LAND INFORMATION				
Legal description of pro	posed development site			
Registered Plan # Block Lot Stall	OR QTR/L.S SEC TWP. RG M S W 18 136 13 W 5			
Civic Address	3 W 1/8 106 13 WS			
Civic Addi ess	Ward MLL/MS/TFA Acres/Ha			
Hamlet	Quarter Section Acreage			
Description of existing use of land: Farming the Mobile Home on a Basement Sheeds.				
Description or existing use or land:	1900 ble Trome on a busemeny			
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	2			
DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION				
Describe proposed development: Shop-Farm				
Dwelling (Inc home additions) Temporary Structure	Other			
Modular/Manufactured Home Moved in Building	Public Use Building			
Building Size				
Length Width Height (Grade to pea				
50' 36' 26'	1500			

The land is adjacent to: Primary Highway Secondary Highway Local Road Hamlet Road  Estimate project time and cost:
A. Start Date  B. End Date  C. Completed Project Cost  \$ \$5,000.
Attached is: (a) Site plan Yes (b) Blueprints Yes (c) Floor plans (Manufactured homes) Yes
A site plan and blueprints are required for all Development Permit applications unless otherwise specified by the County Planning Department. In addition, all commercial, industrial and multi-family Development Permit applications are required to include a site plan prepared by a surveyor or engineer and such site plan shall show the proposed building with setbacks from property lines, parking stalls, entry onto and exits off of the lot and any other information as required by the County to render a decision.
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION
Is there any of the following within 1/2 mile of the proposed development: (mark Y (yes) or N (no) and provide details for Y)
Land Fill or garbage disposal site  Confined Feedlot Operation  Slope /Coulee/Valley or Ravine
Sewage treatment or Sewage Lagoon  Sour Gas Well or pipeline  Note:  Access Approval Date:
N River or Waterbody  Multi lot Residential subdivision  Access Approval Date:
Access:
Is there an Existing Access to proposed site?  No  No  Does the site location require an access or road to be built to the proposed site?
A County Approved Access is required before a Development Permit can be issued (except for site development)
DECLARATION
I declare that the information on this application is, to the best of my knowledge, factual and correct.
Applicant Name (Print) Registered Land Owner Name (Print)
Jacob D. Duck Jacob D. / Kothy Duck
Applicant Name (Signature)  Date  Date  Date  Date  Date
Record Land
I understand that this application will not be accepted without the following: (a) appropriate development information  (b) application fee as per Fee Schedule By-Law
NOTE: The signature of the Registered Land Owner is required if the applicant is not the registered landowner. The signing of this application, by the applicant and/or registered landowner, grants permission for necessary inspections of the property to be
conducted by authorized persons of Mackenzie County.
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE USE ONLY
Complies With: Offsite Levy (If Required):
MDP Yes ASP Yes AVPA Yes Connection Fee \$
No No No Receipt Number
Treceipt Number
Land Use Classification: Agri Cultura 11A11 Tax Roll No: 182 909



## Development Permit Application SITE PLAN

QTR./L.S. SEC TWP RG M	PLAN NO.	BLK. LC	OT Size o	f Parcel
SW 18 106 13 W5 or			and	ac. ha.
Date of site plan:				
Shor location  Shor location  The state of t	-Etisting			
Information Checklist for site plan				
location/distance of existing buildings from property lines location of access/driveway, and distance from intersections location of shelterbelts and/or treed areas location of parking and loading areas Setbacks from Property Lines	ravino locatio	on/distance of propo es, creeks, lakes, slou on of road(s), road al and width of prope	sed buildings from proghs, and any other wallowances	operty lines ter bodies
FRONT YARD (ft.)	SIDE YARD	(1) ft	SIDE YARD (2)	ft



# Development Permit Property Map



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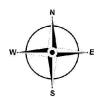
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## MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DIRECTION

Meeting:	Regular (	Council	Meeting
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Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Byron Peters, Director of Planning and Development

Title: ASP Consultation Meeting Request

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

As per the Inter-Municipal Development Plan, administration provided copies of the Footner and Mackenzie Highway Industrial ASPs to the IMPC and the Town of High Level in order for them to review and provide comment.

The Town requested a Council to Council meeting to further discuss the Footner Industrial ASP, to which Council made the following motion at the June 11<sup>th</sup> council meeting, "That the Town of High Level be invited to our next Council meeting for consultation on the Area Structure Plans."

Town of High Level administration replied by saying that the County's letter will go to the High Level Town Council at the June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Attached is the correspondence that has taken place in regards to scheduling the meeting.

### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

N/A

#### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For discussion.

Author:	B. Peters	Reviewed By:	CAO	YW



10511 - 103 Street High Level, Alberta T0H 1Z0 Tel: (780) 926-2201

Fax: (780) 926-2899

May 29th 2013

Mackenzie County Box 640 Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

RE: **Mackenzie County Area Structure Plans** 

Dear Mr. Peters

Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposed Industrial Area Structure Plans within the IDP area.

In regards to the proposed Mackenzie Highway Plan the Town does not have any comments as the proposed industrial nature of the plan follows the direction and intent of the Inter-Municipal Development Plan.

Upon review of the Footner Industrial Area Structure Plan I've noted that it does not conform to the Industrial Development Section of the Inter-Municipal Development Plan. The IDP states:

The Town's industrial area is located in the southern portion of the municipality and the major industry in the County is located south of Town. In consideration of this, the higher density residential development and the airport to the north, both municipalities will refer industrial development south of the Highway 58.

Not only is the creation of an industrial area structure plan in this area contradictory to the above section it's also contradictory to Schedule F. Schedule F shows a Highway Commercial corridor paralleling Highway 58 from High Level all the way north to the end of the IDP boundary. The draft plan does not mention that the proposed area is within the Inter-Municipal Development Plan area, the only place it's mentioned is a sentence in Section 4.1 stating that all applications for subdivision and development should follow the processes outlined in the IMDP.

Due to these inconsistencies and the potential future impact the proposed plans may have Administration felt it appropriate to forward them to Council for comment. Council reviewed both proposed ASP documents at the regular Council meeting on May 27<sup>th</sup> and passed the following resolution:

> HIGH LEVEL . . . at the crossroads of northern opportunity ... where the future of Alberta begins.



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#### Resolution #239-13

That Council respond to Mackenzie County that the Mackenzie Highway Industrial ASP conforms to the Inter-Municipal Development Plan for industrial and the Footner Industrial ASP does not appear to meet the intent of the IDP and that Council request a meeting with Mackenzie County to discuss further.

As the Town of High Level Council would like to meet with County Council I request that an extension to the 30 day response requirement be given in order to facilitate that meeting. In general Town Council would like to discuss the reasoning etc. behind completing this Area Structure Plan that appears to be contradictory to the current Inter-Municipal Development Plan. Please advise when a suitable meeting time for your Council will be.

Sincerely,

Simone Wiley

Director of Development Services

Cc: Dean Krause, Chief Administrative Officer Town of High Level Council



Mackenzie County

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May 30, 2013

Simone Wiley Director of Development Services 10511 – 103 Street High Level AB T0H 1Z0

Dear Ms. Wiley:

#### Re: Mackenzie County Area Structure Plans

Thank you for providing some initial feedback, and we look forward to discussing the concerns mentioned.

As per your request, Mackenzie County hereby grants a 30 day extension for providing comments back to the County in regards to the above mentioned project.

I will provide you with proposed meeting dates as soon as our Council has an opportunity to meet and select a few potential dates for the meeting.

If you have any further comments or questions, don't hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Byron Peters

Director of Planning & Development

cc: Joulia Whittleton, Chief Administrative Officer



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June 19, 2013

Simone Wiley Director of Development Services 10511 – 103 Street High Level AB T0H 1Z0

Dear Ms. Wiley:

#### Re: Mackenzie County Area Structure Plans Meeting

I brought your Council's request for a meeting to discuss the Area Structure Plans forward at our last Council meeting, and Council replied with the following motion, "That the Town of High Level be invited to our next council meeting for consultation on the Area Structure Plans."

Our next Council meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2013, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Delegations are typically in the early afternoon; however we are flexible to accommodate a different time if that better accommodates the Town of High Level Council.

Please advise if this works for your Council, and at what time they would prefer to attend.

If you have any further comments or questions, don't hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Byron Peters

Director of Planning & Development

cc: Joulia Whittleton, Chief Administrative Officer

#### **Byron Peters**

From: Simone Wiley <swiley@highlevel.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2013 2:33 PM

To:Byron PetersCc:Joulia WhittletonSubject:RE: ASP meeting dates

#### Thanks Byron,

Your letter will go to Council at our June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**From:** Byron Peters [mailto:bpeters@mackenziecounty.com]

**Sent:** June-19-13 8:26 AM

**To:** Simone Wiley **Cc:** Joulia Whittleton

**Subject:** ASP meeting dates

Simone,

Attached please find a response letter to the Town's request for a meeting to discuss the ASPs. The original will follow by mail.

#### Byron

Byron Peters, CET | Director of Planning & Development | Mackenzie County

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## MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DIRECTION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Byron Peters, Director of Planning and Development

Title: ASP Consultation Feedback

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Open houses were held for the Area Structure Plans in High Level, Zama, Fort Vermilion and La Crete from May 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>. The turnout was lower than hoped for, but we did receive some valuable feedback from the residence that did show up.

Attached is a table summarizing all of the comments received, the recommended action, and the reasoning for the recommendation.

All comments that were brought up at the open houses are points for discussion, but the ones that administration feels require the most consideration are:

- Allow existing homesteads to continue to make improvements in the rural ASPs
- Connector ASP too long, should change the shape/size
- Fort Vermilion Industrial ASP too big & restrictive (hamlet growth)

Administration would like Council to provide direction on these items, and on any other comments mentioned in the attached table, before beginning the final revisions of the ASPs.

Council tabled this item at the last meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> in order to allow time to meet with the Town of High Level before providing additional direction regarding the ASPs.

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

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Author:	B. Peters	Reviewed By:	<b>CAO</b> YW	

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDIN	NG:	
RECOMMENDED ACTION:		
For discussion.		
Author: B. Peters	Reviewed By:	CAO

#### **Number of Attendees at Open Houses**

Area Structure Plan	Location and Date	Number of Signed-In Attendees
Zama City	Zama City - May 21, 2013	4
Connector / La Crete	La Crete – May 22, 2013	13
Footner / Mackenzie	High Level - May 23, 2013	12
Fort Vermilion /Fort Vermilion Industrial	Fort Vermilion - May 24, 2013	21

Several phone calls and late comment forms were also received and considered prior, during and after the open houses.



Connector Area Structure Plan			
Issue	# Comments	Recommendation	Discussion
In opposition	2	No change	n/a
In support	1	No change	n/a
Plan area should not be linear along the entire length of the Connector, but should instead	5	Scheffer Andrew Ltd has not benefited from the	Council may choose to alter the size of the ASP area.
be shorter and deeper while retaining the same overall area.		analysis of a market demand study that quantifies industrial land demands so will not make a	A greater depth, but narrower road frontage would likely impact the same number of land owners if the overall area remains the same.  This linear layout is an efficient use of existing and
		recommendation in this respect.	committed infrastructure (paving of the Connector and rural water line).
Plan should not be linear along the entire length of the Connector, but should instead be shorter.	2	Scheffer Andrew Ltd has not benefited from the analysis of a market demand study that quantifies industrial land demands so will not make a recommendation in this respect.	Council may choose to alter the size of the ASP area. Council should consider the existing investment in the rural water line in the west as well as potential oil and gas development to the east when making a decision in this respect.
Plan should extend ¼ mile, not ½ mile out from Connector.	1	Scheffer Andrew Ltd has not benefited from the analysis of a market demand study that quantifies industrial land demands so will not make a recommendation in this respect.	Council may choose to alter the size of the ASP area. Council should consider that a small land area (1/4 mile) may not provide as much flexibility for large industrial land uses as a ½ mile depth. It may also open up country residential development at the rear of properties.
Light industrial uses should be along the Connector, while heavier uses are located in	1	No change	Light industrial uses are intended to protect existing residential uses from highly incompatible uses. This



Connector Area Structure Plan			
Issue	# Comments	Recommendation	Discussion
the rear.			could reduce the size of general industrial properties such that large industrial uses may not fit.
Provide buffers / trees between highway and unsightly uses.	1	No change	The ASP policies call for a 20 metre treed buffer along public roads and berms or fencing may also be required.
Existing yard site development, or modular and manufactured homes should be able to become stick-built permanent homes when the ASP is implemented.	5	Allow existing yard site development, modular and manufactured homes to transition to stick-built houses.	The intent is to limit new residential developments that can serve as inhibitors to industrial development. These residential uses exist and people have made improvements to their properties based on the current planning rules. Further subdivision for residential purposes should not be permitted, save for within areas identified Country Residential.
Concern over decrease in property values (mostly because country residential subdivisions are no longer permissible).	3	No change	Further residential subdivision in the plan area may reduce the attractiveness of the lands for industrial uses as there are an increased number of sensitive receptors (homes) in the plan area which may be incompatible with potential industrial operations.  While country residential subdivision would no longer be permissible once the plan comes into effect, industrial subdivisions would be permissible.
The County should seek volunteers who want an industrial park on their property.	4	No change	It would be very difficult to locate a suitable group of land owners when investment in the infrastructure development in this plan will depend on is largely fixed.
Concern over visual impact of industrial development.	2	No change	The ASP policies call for a 20 metre treed buffer along public roads and berms or fencing may also be required.
Maintain farming uses.	2	No change	Existing uses can continue as of the day the ASPs are implemented through the Land Use Bylaw as they



Connector Area Structure Plan			
Issue # Comments Recommendation Discussion			
			would become non-conforming.
Concern over need for twinning of highway resulting from increase in development	2	No change	This is a long term infrastructure upgrade not currently contemplated within the 20-year lifetime of the ASP so far as Scheffer Andrew Ltd is aware.

Footner Area Structure Plan			
Issue # Comments Recommendation Discussion			
No comments received.	n/a	Proceed with current version of ASP.	n/a



Fort Vermilion Industrial Area Plan			
Issue	# Comments	Recommendation	Discussion
Fort Vermilion used to be the industrial centre of the north, historically.	1	No change	n/a
More people are needed to sustain services in the community.	1	Proceed with the ASPs	The ASPs may encourage new development, supporting an increased population.
Opposed to changing existing country residential properties along service road off Highway 88 (SW corner of hamlet) to highway commercial uses.	2	Change from Highway Commercial to Country Residential in the ASP.	While highway commercial makes sense from a best and highest use assessment of these properties in the long term, it may happen anyway over time as property values increase and a commercial land supply tightens.  There is little problem with leaving these properties as Country Residential in the short term, aside from a higher level of fixed investment in property and
Existing yard site development, or modular and manufactured homes should be able to become stick-built permanent homes when	1	Allow existing yard site development, modular and manufactured	impacts from increasing traffic from surrounding developments.  The intent is to limit new residential developments that can serve as inhibitors to industrial development. These residential uses exist and
the ASP is implemented.		homes to transition to stick-built houses.	people have made improvements to their properties based on the current planning rules. Further subdivision for residential purposes should not be permitted, save for within areas identified Country Residential.
Farmland in the plan area is high quality and agricultural uses should not be discouraged.	1	No change	By concentrating development in one area, it is hoped that sporadic development throughout the balance of agricultural lands in the County can be minimized.
Future industrial development should be dealt with as developers come forward on a case by case basis, instead of planning it comprehensively.	1	No change	By reducing the risks to potential investors through approving industrial and commercial land uses ahead of time, the County becomes a more attractive location for investment. By planning for



Fort Vermilion Industrial Area Plan			
Issue	# Comments	Recommendation	Discussion
			development it can be serviced more efficiently.
Existing uses should not be changed, rather wider permissions should be granted to accommodate industrial development while maintaining existing permissible uses.	1	No change	Existing uses can continue as of the day the ASPs are implemented through the Land Use Bylaw as they become non-conforming.
Restricts future growth of the hamlet.	2	No change	The hamlet may expand east and west along the Peace River as the plan holds these lands as rural and agricultural. The ASP allows for an increased of around 500 new residents in Country Residential developments.
The hamlet has not changed in 225 years. There is too much land being rezoned for industrial use.	2	No change	The hamlet is a very different place to 225 years ago. Existing land uses may continue until such time as industrial land demand eventuates.
Move this ASP south along Highway 88 near the rural water line.	2	No change	In order for the development to be on municipal water and wastewater services it should be close to the hamlet. It also supports growth of the hamlet and the workforce can sustain local commercial uses.
Shrink the industrial area to three adjacent lots south of the Tall Cree gas station.	1	No change	Council may choose to amend the plan boundaries.  However, there is benefit in undertaking a comprehensive plan for the entire area as development then does not rest on a smaller group of land owners and whether they wish to develop.
Concern over capacity of hamlet water and sewer system to handle demand from new development.	1	No change	New development should pay for costs of expanded capacity through development levies.



Fort Vermilion Area Structure Plan			
Issue # Comments Recommendation Discussion			
The "Future Residential" area shown east	1	No change	The MDP and ASP both require that residential
along the Peace River is subject to flooding			development in this area addresses flooding risks
and may not be appropriate.			during approval stages.

La Crete Area Structure Plan			
Issue # Comments Recommendation Discussion			Discussion
No comments received.	n/a	Proceed with current version of ASP.	n/a

Mackenzie Area Structure Plan			
Issue	# Comments	Recommendation	Discussion
Existing yard site development, or modular and manufactured homes should be able to become stick-built permanent homes when the ASP is implemented.	1	Allow existing yard site development, modular and manufactured homes to transition to stick-built houses.	The intent is to limit new residential developments that can serve as inhibitors to industrial development. Residential uses exist and people have made improvements to their properties based on the current planning rules. Further subdivision for residential purposes should not be permitted, save for within areas identified Country Residential.
Smaller agricultural operations should be permitted uses (example is 50 head of cattle).	1	No change	Existing uses can continue as of the day the ASPs are implemented through the Land Use Bylaw as they become non-conforming.
Eastern plan boundary should end at Range Road 200.	1	No recommended change, but Council may wish to consider ending the eastern plan	While Council may determine a different eastern plan boundary, ending the Plan at Range Road 200 would remove a significant portion of the total plan area. Only smaller potential land parcels would



Mackenzie Area Structure Plan			
Issue	# Comments	Recommendation	Discussion
		boundary one quarter section east of Range Road 200.	remain, possibly not sufficient in size to accommodate a large industrial use.
Smell and noise concerns in respect of industrial operations and nearby residential uses.	1	No change	The light industrial areas of the plan apply surrounding existing residential properties. The uses permitted in the light industrial area should be compatible with nearby residential uses.
Look at alternatives south of Footner.	1	No change	While Council may reconsider the location of this plan, such a recommendation is outside the scope of the ASP process.
Concern over transparency of land disposal process on lands within the ASP currently owned by the County.	1	No change	This issue is outside the scope of this plan.
Change light industrial to general industrial.	1	No change	The light industrial helps ensure less conflict between existing residential uses and potential future industrial developments.

Zama City Area Structure Plan			
Issue	# Comments	Recommendation	Discussion
Remove the commercial area from the town	There was a m	inimal turnout at the Zama	City open house. Scheffer Andrew Ltd and
centre and change to entirely hamlet general.	Administration	will continue to work with	Councillor Lisa Wardley to ensure this plan represents
Expand hamlet general east and west.	her best understanding of Zama City's needs as communicated to us during the open house.		
Include additional uses.			
Create new hamlet residential 1 area with	Any further pu	blic comment on the propo	osed ASP is welcome and we will respond to it should it
smaller lot minimums, intended for mobile	become availa	ble.	
homes.			
Crete a new hamlet residential 2 area with	The County ma	y wish to consider further	consultation in Zama City in an effort to encourage
larger lot minimums for mobile homes and	greater public involvement in the planning process.		
stick built homes.			





## MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Byron Peters, Director of Planning & Development

Title: Residential Lot Sizes in Hamlets

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Council passed the following motion at the August 9, 2011 Council meeting:

Motion 11-08-648 That the minimum lot sizes in HR1A and HR2 be brought back for discussion.

This motion was made as a result of a Land Use Bylaw amendment which was adopted that allowed the lot widths within the Hamlet Residential 1A (HR1A) and Hamlet Residential 2 (HR2) zoning districts to be reduced to 16.75 meters (55 feet) and 18.29 meters (60 feet) respectively provided that the proposed subdivision is directly adjacent to a Recreation (REC) zoning district.

This matter was brought back to Council at the January 23, 2012 Council meeting where the following motion was made:

Motion 12-01-048 That administration research the pros and cons of reduced

minimum residential lot sizes for all zones with respect to the long-term financial implications for the County as well as the development community and bring it back to Council at the end

of February.

The last motion made on the topic was at the February 29, 2012 Council meeting where Council passed the following motion:

Motion 12-02-144 That administration and the Municipal Planning Commission obtains public input to permit a minimum lot size of 55' X 100'

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for single family residential lots and a minimum lot size 60' X 100' for multiple family lots as well as altering the side yard setbacks to maximize useable yard area in conjunction with the Area Structure Plan reviews.

The area structure plan reviews and public open houses have been completed in each hamlet, and there was essentially no feedback regarding the lot sizes. One developer, when asked, agreed that there would be some demand for smaller lots. Another developer is currently requesting his lots to be rezoned, but to be permitted would require smaller the smaller lot sizes for stick-built homes.

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

The discussion with regard to this amendment was whether or not this lot width reduction should be allowed in all Hamlet Residential zoning districts. As a result of the new Land Use Bylaw in which several residential zoning districts were amalgamated, only two other similar Hamlet Residential zoning districts exist in which this same revision could be implemented.

The purpose of researching this matter was to consider the current lot sizes as a whole and whether or not the minimum and maximum lot sizes should be amended regardless of whether or not the lands abut a REC zoning district. Specifically, reducing the minimum lot sizes could be beneficial for the following reasons:

- 1. A reduction in residential lot sizes results in reduced urban sprawl and thereby protects agricultural land in accordance with MDP policies 3.2.5 and 4.2.2 as well as helping to maintain the rural character of the County in accordance with MDP policy 3.1:
- 2. Infrastructure costs are reduced by an increased number of lots paying for a similar linear amount of infrastructure (this would apply to both the County and the Developers) which is in accordance with MDP policy 3.2.2; and
- Finally, this will result in the current supply of properly zoned land available for residential development enduring longer than originally projected.

In considering this matter, attention was also given to the following;

- 1. Residents of Zama wish to have larger lots:
- 2. Some residents of La Crete have purchased multiple lots in order to fit their desired house design and to provide for additional space for their families; and
- 3. Current housing styles may need to be slightly reconfigured to comfortably fit within a smaller lot.

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The County's current zones and sizes are as follows:

	Purpose of Zone	Current Minimum Lot Size
HR1 (Hamlet Residential 1)	To permit Residential Uses in Hamlets.	72 Feet X 110 Feet
HR1A (Hamlet Residential 1A)	To permit residential uses in established Hamlets, with intention of restricting development to on-site stick-built Dwelling-Single Detached with Garage-Attached and associated uses.	72 Feet X 110 Feet; or 55 Feet X 110 Feet if adjacent to REC zoning
HR1B (Hamlet Residential 1B)	To permit residential uses in established Hamlets, with intention of restricting development to on-site stickbuilt Dwelling-Single Detached and associated uses.	72 Feet X 110 Feet
HR2 (Hamlet Residential 2)  To permit medium and high-density residential development in established Hamlets.		72 Feet X 110 Feet; or 60 Feet X 110 Feet if adjacent to REC zoning
MHS1 (Manufactured Home Subdivision 1)	To permit the development of larger, newer manufactured homes on subdivided lots in urban areas.	66 Feet X 110 Feet
MHS2 (Manufactured Home Subdivision 2)	To permit the development of smaller, older manufactured homes on subdivided lots in urban areas.	66 Feet X 110 Feet

In researching this matter, the Planning Department looked into four key areas:

- 1. The financial impact of reducing residential lot widths in terms of funding infrastructure placement and maintenance;
- 2. The preservation of agricultural land through reduced lot sizes;
- 3. The placement of homes on the lots to maximize usable space of yards; and
- 4. The impact of reduced lot widths on fire suppression.

#### **Financial Impact**

The first area that the Planning and Development Department looked at was the financial impact of a lot width reduction. On the expenditure side, it was determined that through reducing the width of lots from 72' to 55', the annual road maintenance costs could be reduced by 24% (from \$127 to \$97 per year) per lot based on Transport Canada data. Similar savings are to be expected in the maintenance of water and sewer infrastructure as well as cost savings in terms of any future residential garbage pick up as well.

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On the revenue side, while a smaller lot does result in a lower lot value, the main portion of assessed value is derived from the building on that lot. In researching the matter, the reduction of lot value was accounted for while the value of the building was kept constant. Assuming a building value of \$150,000 for lot widths of 72' and 55' respectively, it was determined that the reduction in taxation revenue would be approximately 3%.

In essence, the 3% reduction in revenue to the County was more than offset by the 24% reduction in infrastructure maintenance costs to the County, resulting in a savings.

In terms of the development community, the savings on a per lot basis for infrastructure more than offsets the corresponding reduction in lot price. For the development community analysis, the highest assessed lot values were utilized. The percentages of road infrastructure costs were 38% of sale value on a 72' lot while on a 55' lot the costs were 33% of sale value. Similar cost savings are to be expected in the installation of water and sewer infrastructure as well.

Again, the reduction in potential sale value is offset by a greater reduction in infrastructure construction costs resulting in a savings to the developer.

#### **Land Preservation**

The second area that the Planning and Development Department looked at was the issue of preserving agricultural land. While, on a per lot basis, the land savings from a reduction in the width and depth may seem minute, when considering the land savings over the next 1,000 lots created in the County, the numbers have more significance.

For example, in reducing the minimum width in lot size from 72' to 55', there is a land savings of 1,870 square feet per lot created. When considering this number over the next 1,000 lots, however, this small reduction in width will result in a savings 43 Acres of land. If a lot depth reduction from 110' to 100' is also considered, then, the land savings over the next 1,000 lots subdivided in the County is 56 Acres. Over the next 50 years, this small reduction in yard size amounts to significant savings to our agricultural land base.

It is also the position of the Planning and Development Department that any allowable reduction in lot depth is taken from front yard setback as this area of a yard is the least utilized.

#### **Usable Area**

The third area that the Planning and Development Department looked at was that of the placement of homes on a reduced lot size. In reducing lot sizes, the amount of land on a lot that is usable for the landowner is correspondingly reduced. To maximize the usable area to the land owner, by allowing for the elimination of the side yard setback on one side of the lot, the amount of usable land is increased.

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This can be regulated within the Land Use Bylaw through a provision similar to the requirements placed on manufactured homes that restricts development to the right-hand side of the lot when facing it from the street.

#### Fire Suppression

The Planning and Development Department also looked into the impact of smaller lot sizes on fire suppression. Through correspondence with the region's fire fighting professionals, it was determined that although having homes somewhat closer together does increase the risk of fires spreading, the distances between homes that the Planning and Development Department is proposing will not alter the minimum allowable distances between homes that is currently allowed in the Land Use Bylaw.

Also, recent changes to the Building Code, address issues that arise from building homes closer together. Changes to how windows face each other and the materials used in siding have been put in place to provide a greater level of protection. In terms of two-story homes, the floor failure of a main floor in a building with an unfinished basement can happen rapidly. Most single story homes are currently built with this vulnerability. However, the second story of a home, as it protected with gypsum board, burns somewhat slower.

According to Safety Code regulation, so long as a building is more than 4' away from the side yard lot line, no changes in building construction to increase fire protection are necessary.

#### **Additional Considerations**

In approaching this issue, the Planning and Development Department carefully attempted to balance the stated desire of the community to maintain its rural character while at the same time, looking to the future in which the County's hamlets grow into larger urbanized areas.

The Planning and Development Department was asked by Council to visit the minimum lot sizes within Manufactured Home Zoning districts as well as Hamlet Residential Districts. When looking into this issue it was determined that all residential districts should have similar lot dimensions as, eventually, it is thought that as property values rise and the County's hamlets grow into towns and cities, the Manufactured Homes will be replaced with stick-built construction.

The issue of the placement of attached garages in the context of a narrower lot also needs to be considered. While a detached garage can easily be located at the rear of a narrow lot, an attached garage, if placed in the front portion of a home, will dominate the look of that home. Should Council wish to proceed with reducing narrower minimum lot sizes, it is thought that there should be a provision written into in the Land Use Bylaw to ensure that attached garages are placed at the side or back of the home to ensure that the garage does not remain the dominate feature of new homes from the view of the street.

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In terms of how this may impact Zama, the Planning and Development Department takes the position that because of the provision within the HR1 Zoning that allows for shops in Zama as well as the fact that Zama only has a single fire truck with the next closest fire truck being hours away, it is felt that existing lot sizes are appropriate in that hamlet for the time being.

In existing neighborhoods, any changes to the zoning bylaw in terms of any setback adjustments, whether for maximizing useable yard area or reducing front yard sizes, should leave discretion to the Development Authority to maintain existing setbacks in the event of any redevelopment in the future to keep a uniform look of these areas.

Finally, the proposed changes do not force the development community to create smaller residential lots, these changes only offer the option of slightly smaller lots to developers who might wish to take advantage of it.

In discussing this issue, the Planning and Development Department asks that Council provide guidance on three of the above issues:

- Should the minimum lot widths be reduced to 55' for all single family hamlet residential zones (HR1, HR1A, HR1B, MHS1, and MHS2) with and 60' for the medium density residential zone (HR2)?
- Should the minimum lot depths be reduced to 100' with the front yard setback being reduced to 15' from 25'?
- Should homes be located on lots in such a way to maximize the useable area of a yard through adjustments to the side yard setback regulations?

**Option 1:** That Council proceeds with a Land Use Bylaw amendment to permit a minimum lot size of 55' X 100' for single family residential lots and a minimum lot size 60' X 100' for multiple family lots as well as altering the side yard setbacks to maximize useable yard area.

**Option 2:** Receive as Information

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

#### Option 1:

That administration proceed with drafting a Land Use Bylaw amendment to permit a minimum lot size of 55' X 100' for single family residential lots and a minimum lot size 60' X 100' for multiple family lots as well as altering the side yard setbacks to maximize useable yard area.

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## MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
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Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Alison Kilpatrick, Director of Corporate Services

Title: Bylaw 903-13 Borrowing Bylaw – High Level Rural Water Line

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

In their 2013 Budget deliberations, Council approved \$1,800,000 for a capital project to construct Phase I of the High Level Rural water line. 100% of the proposed cost is proposed to be funded by debenture.

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

Under the Municipal Government Act, a borrowing must be authorized by a bylaw.

Please review the attached draft Bylaw 903-13. The bylaw received its first reading on May 28, 2013. The bylaw was advertised as required by MGA. No objections were received to this bylaw.

#### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

#### **COMMUNICATION:**

Application to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority.

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#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** (requires 2/3)

#### Motion 1:

That second reading be given to Bylaw 903-13 being a borrowing bylaw for the construction of the High Level Rural Water Line – Phase I.

#### Motion 2:

That third reading be given to Bylaw 903-13 being a borrowing bylaw for the construction of the High Level Rural Water Line – Phase I.

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#### **BYLAW NO. 903-13**

## BEING A BYLAW OF THE MACKENZIE COUNTY

(hereinafter referred to as "the County")

#### IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

This bylaw authorizes the Council of the County to incur indebtedness by the issuance of debenture(s) up to a maximum of \$1,800,000, for the purpose of constructing Phase I of the High Level rural water line.

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the County has decided to issue a bylaw pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000 c. M-26, Section 258 to authorize the financing for the construction of Phase I of the High Level rural water line as approved by Council in capital expenditures; and

**WHEREAS**, plans and specifications have been prepared and the total cost of the project is estimated to be \$1,800,000; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to complete the project it will be necessary for the County to borrow the sum of \$1,800,000 for a period not to exceed 15 years, from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution, by the issuance of debentures and on the terms and conditions referred to in this bylaw; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated lifetime of the project financed under this bylaw is equal to, or in excess of 25 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the principal amount of the outstanding debt of the County at December 31, 2012 is \$11,422,673 and no part of the principal or interest is in arrears; and

**WHEREAS**, all required approvals for the project have been obtained and the project is in compliance with all *Acts* and *Regulations* of the Province of Alberta.

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- That for the purpose of constructing Phase I of the High Level rural water line, the sum of One Million and Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,800,000) be borrowed from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution by way of debenture on the credit and security of the County at large.
- The proper officers of the County are hereby authorized to issue debenture(s) on behalf of the County for the amount and purpose as authorized by this bylaw, namely the construction of Phase I of the High Level rural water line.

- 3. The County shall repay the indebtedness according to the repayment structure in effect, namely annual or semi-annual equal payments of combined principal and interest instalments not to exceed FIFTEEN (15) years calculated at a rate not exceeding the interest rate fixed by the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution on the date of the borrowing, and not to exceed TEN (10%) percent.
- 4. The County shall levy and raise in each year municipal taxes sufficient to pay the indebtedness.
- 5. The indebtedness shall be contracted on the credit and security of the County.
- 6. The net amount borrowed under the by-law shall be applied only to the project specified by this bylaw.
- 7. This bylaw comes into force on the date it is passed.

READ a first time this 28" day of May, 20°	13.
READ a second time this day of	, 2013.
READ a third time and finally passed this	day of, 2013.
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	Chief Administrative Officer



Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Alison Kilpatrick, Director of Corporate Services

Title: Policy FIN023 Local Improvement Charge Cancellation

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Policy FIN023 was established by Council to provide relief to the local non-profit organizations from a local improvement tax. There are a number of Local Improvements that are now paid and should be removed from this policy. There are also two local improvements that have incorrect amounts showing.

The following amendments to the policy are being recommended:

- The local improvement amount for 10014 99 Avenue, La Crete be amended to \$129.97 from \$129.96.
- The local improvement levy for 9606 100 Street, La Crete of \$143.87 that expired in 2012 be removed from the list.
- The local improvement amount for 10505 98 Avenue, La Crete be amended to \$293.30 from \$293.29.
- The local improvement levy for 10001 100 Street, La Crete of \$185.68 that expired in 2012 be removed from the list.
- The local improvement amount for 5103 River Road, Fort Vermilion of \$197.28 that expires in 2013 be removed from the list.
- The local improvement amount for 5401 River Road, Fort Vermilion of \$197.00 that expires in 2013 be removed from the list.

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OPTIONS & BENEFITS:
To remove completed Local Improvement payments for non-profit groups.
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:
N/A
COMMUNICATION:
By tax notices, issued to the affected parties.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: (requires 2/3)
That Policy FIN023 Local Improvement Charge Cancellation be amended as presented.

#### **Mackenzie County**

Title:	<b>Local Improvement Charge Cancellation</b>	Policy No:	FIN023
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#### **Purpose**

To provide financial relief to non-profit groups, or registered charities that may have a yearly local improvement tax payable to the County.

#### **Policy Statement and Guidelines**

The County recognizes the limited financial capacity of selected non-profit groups or registered charities. If Council considers it equitable to do so, it may cancel the yearly local improvement charge in respect to a particular property that is owned by the non-profit group or registered charity.

Under section 397 of the MGA, no land is exempt from a local improvement charge if a local improvement tax bylaw authorized that particular property to pay for a local improvement that benefited that area of the municipality.

However, under section 347 of the MGA, Council has the ability to cancel, reduce or refund all or part of a tax.

#### Guidelines

- 1. Administration will provide Council with a list (Schedule A) of non-profit groups or registered charities properties' that Council will consider for approval whether it is equitable to cancel the yearly local improvement charge. The list will contain the name of the group, roll number of the property and the amount of the local improvement charge and other details that administration may find pertinent.
- 2. Schedule A may be amended from time to time and will be brought forward for Council approval.
- 3. This Schedule A will be part of the yearly budget documentation to support the expenditure code 922 Tax Cancellation/Write Offs.

	Date	Resolution Number
Approved	May 14, 2003	03-328
Amended	July 8, 2003	03-377
Amended	June 12, 2007	07-06-552
Amended	June 10, 2008	08-06-415

Amended	July 10, 2008	08-07-490
Amended	September 14, 2010	10-09-743
Amended	September 29, 2010	10-09-781
Amended		

#### Tax Cancellation/Write Offs Schedule A

Name	Roll Number	Details	Amount	Expiry Date
Friends of the Old Bay House Society 4405 River Road Fort Vermilion	076893	Sewer Sidewalk	1,027.51 431.38	2019 2016
		Total	1,458.89	
La Crete Senior Inn Society	076836	C,G,Sidewalk		2014
10014 - 99 Avenue La Crete		Total	129.97 <mark>129.96</mark>	
			<mark>129.97</mark>	
La Crete Municipal Nursing Association	070000	400 <sup>th</sup> O	4.40.07	00.10
<del>9606 - 100 Street -</del> <del>La Crete</del>	<del>076829</del>	100 <sup>th</sup> -Street Curb & Gutter	<mark>143.87</mark>	<del>2012</del>
9802 - 105 Street	181096	98 Ave	628.97	2019
La Crete 10501 – 98 Ave	082369	Curb & Gutter 98 Ave	298.73	2019
La Crete	002000	Curb & Gutter		20.0
10505 – 98 Ave La Crete	082368	98 Ave 100 St	293.29 293.30	2019
10001 – 100 Street	<del>076857</del>	Improvement	293.30 <mark>185.68</mark>	<del>2012</del>
La Crete	070000	Curb & Gutter		0040
9802 – 105 Street La Crete	072022	98 Ave	475.77	2019
Total			<del>2,026.31</del> 1,696.77	
Fort Vermilion Community Library Society	<del>106020</del>	50 <sup>th</sup> -Ave	<del>197.28</del>	<del>2013</del>
<del>5103 River Road</del> Fort Vermilion		Total	<del>197.28</del>	
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Royal Canadian Legion	<del>076947</del>	50 <sup>th</sup> Ave	<del>197.00</del>	<del>2013</del>
<del>5401 River Road</del> Fort Vermilion		Total	<del>197.00</del>	
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Fort Vermilion and District Board of Trade	105963	Curb, Gutter,	530.12	2019
4801 River Road Fort Vermilion		Sidewalk 47 St/49 Av FV		
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		Total	530.12	



Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Alison Kilpatrick, Director of Corporate Services

Title: Funding for Road Upgrades

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

County roads have sustained damage due to spring flooding, and to a protracted period of rainfall during the month of June.

In their June 17, 2013 meeting, the Finance Committee passed Motion 13-06-051:

#### **MOVED by** Councillor Sarapuk

The Committee recommends that administration bring forward the subject of road funding upgrades, across the county, to the next Council meeting for discussion.

Carried.

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

2013 Budget resources include:

A. Budget and actual figures for the Roads – Structural Repairs & Maintenance account (GL 32-259) for the years, 2011 – 2013, are as follows:

Year	Budget	Actual	Variance
2011	\$ 739,950	\$ 476,990	\$ 262,960
2012	\$ 861,790	\$ 525,528	\$ 336,262
2013	\$ 1,216,173	YTD \$ 127,218	Rem. \$ 1,088,955

#### Notes:

- i. 2013 Actual figure reflects expenses incurred year-to-date (YTD).
- ii. 2013 Variance reflects funds remaining (Rem.) in GL 32-259.

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- iii. 2013 Budget reflects \$354,383 increase from the 2012 budget. This increase includes Council's approvals for \$247,384 for emergency repairs due to spring flooding, and \$200,000 for emergency road repairs.
- B. The 2013 operating budget includes \$846,250 for crushing gravel, and \$558,880 for applying gravel (GL 2-32-534).
- C. The 2013 capital budget includes \$500,000 for new road construction (application of gravel, and supply culverts).

#### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

2013 Operating and Capital Budget.

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For discussion.

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Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Alison Kilpatrick, Director of Corporate Services

Title: Property Taxes in Arrears – Penalties & Interest

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

The 2012 property taxes for taxroll 159342 are in arrears. The amount of the taxes for the 2012 year are \$785.04. To date, \$146.46 in penalties have been assessed in accordance with Bylaw 518-05. The total amount now due is \$931.50.

The property has since changed hands, and the purchaser is responsible for the taxes in arrears, including penalties.

The purchaser's lawyer is prepared to indemnify the purchaser for the original amount of the 2012 taxes, \$785.04, but is requesting Council to waive the \$146.46 in penalties.

The lawyer also states that someone from the County wrote the word, PAID, on the tax certificate issued on May 10, 2012. Please refer to a copy of the lawyer's letter, attached.

On May 10, 2012, the County's taxation clerk produced the tax certificate and prepared it for mailing. The County's accounting system will not generate a paid tax certificate unless the taxes in effect have been paid.

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

#### Option 1:

That the ratepayer, or his agent, be held liable for the 2012 property taxes of \$785.04, plus penalties of \$146.46, in accordance with County bylaw 518-05.

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Option 2:
That the ratepayer, or his agent, be held liable for the 2012 property taxes of \$785.04, and penalties of \$146.46 be waived, in contravention of County bylaw 518-05.
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Operating Budget.

#### **COMMUNICATION:**

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That the ratepayer for taxroll 159342, or his agent, be held liable for 2012 property taxes of \$785.04, currently in arrears, plus penalties of \$146.46, in accordance with County Bylaw 518-05.

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June 17, 2013

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Mackenzie County P.O Box 640 Fort Vermilion, Alberta TOH 1N0

Attention: Carol Gabrielle

Dear Madam:

RE:

Purchaser:

Travis Friesen

Roll#

159342

Legal Description: Our File No:

5;13;109;17;NW LC94,925BEL/fh P

Enclosed please find our general cheque in the amount of \$785.04 representing the outstanding 2012 property taxes relating to the above noted property.

Enclosed please also find the Tax Certificate that was faxed to our office on May 10, 2012; please note that someone in the County office wrote "PAID" next to the Total Balance Outstanding. We proceeded to close the sale of this basis, however, were later notifed that the taxes were still outstanding. Our office has repeatedly tried to collect this amount from the Vendors, without success, and the contact information we have for them is no longer valid. As a result we are prepared to indemnify the Purchaser and will continue to try and pursue the Vendor, however, without determining their whereabouts there is little chance of success.

We are requesting that Council waive the subsequent interest and penalties that have been charged todate regarding this property, and look forward to hearing Council's decision in this regard. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

PO, Box 6210 joors - joi Sireet Poace River, Alberta, TRS 152

BRANCH OFFICES:

Telephone: 780-824-2565 Facsimile: 780-624-5766 E-mail: mh@mhllp.ca

I trust this is satisfactory,

Yours very truly,

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### TAX CERTIFICATE

DATE:

May 10, 2012

MATHIEU, HRYNIUK BOX 6210 10012 - 101 STREET PEACE RIVER AB T8S 1S2

YOUR FILE: ROLL NUMBER: TAX CERTIFICATE NUMBER LC94,925BEL/fh

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TAX CERTIFICATE COVERING THE FOLLOWING LAND(S):

QT SC TWP RG M

NW

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Lot Block Plan

DOT NUMBER:

052412285

ASSESSMENT LAND

27,970 0

ASSESSMENT IMPROVEMENTS LAST LEVY DATE:

12-05-10

LAST TAX LEVY:

\$785.04

LAST LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CHARGE:

\$0.00

LATE CHARGES YEAR TO DATE:

\$0.00

#### BALANCE INFORMATION:

TAXES OUTSTANDING: UTILITIES OUTSTANDING: \$785.04

\$0.00

TOTAL BALANCE OUTSTANDING:

\$785.04 (PAID)

#### NOTES:

FAXED REQUEST

TAXATION AND ASSESSMENT CLERK

FOR AN ABSTRACT OF ENCUMBRANCES OTHER THAN TAXES, APPLY TO: THE REGISTRAR, LAND TITLES OFFICE, EDMONTON, ALBERTA.



Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Alison Kilpatrick, Director of Corporate Services

Title: Budget Amendment

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

In their 2013 budget deliberations, Council approved \$581,000 for a project (GL 6-41-02) to construct a water and sewer extension for part of 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 50<sup>th</sup> Street in Fort Vermilion (part A), and a water extension for part of 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue (part B). Financing for part A of the project was addressed by Council on May 28, 2013 by passing Local Improvement bylaw 904-13. 100% of the estimated cost of part B is proposed to be funded by connection fees. The 2013 capital budget does not reflect these connection fees.

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

The proposed amendment results in the following changes:

- Add \$175,203 to Other Sources of external funding (connection fees) to 6-41-02.
- Draw \$46,105 from Sewer Upgrading Reserve, and \$46,106 from Water Upgrading Reserve; the total, \$92,211 represents the County's share of the costs of project 6-41-02.
- Reallocate \$224,269 Federal Gas Tax Fund (FGTF) grant funding from 6-41-02 to 6-41-06 (distribution pumphouse upgrades); reduce draw from Water Treatment Plant Reserve by a like amount.
- Reallocate \$43,145 FGTF funding from 6-41-02 to 6-32-04 (truck with picker and auger); reduce draw from Vehicle & Equipment Reserve by a like amount.

Please review the proposed amendments in the attached 2013 TCA budget and Schedule of Reserves draft pages.

Author:	<ul> <li>A. Kilpatrick</li> </ul>	Reviewed by:	CAO	

#### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Capital Budget, and Municipal Reserves.

#### **COMMUNICATION:**

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Requires 2/3

That the 2013 TCA budget be amended, as follows:

- Add \$175,203 to Other Sources of external funding (connection fees) to 6-41-02.
- Draw \$46,105 from Sewer Upgrading Reserve, and \$46,106 from Water Upgrading Reserve; the total, \$92,211 represents the County's share of the costs of project 6-41-02.
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TCA Projects 2013

Key: 2013 Projects approved by Council; Projects carried forward from 2012.

<u>key</u> : 2013 Projects approved by Council; Projects carried	For CF	12012.			External	Funding		Internal i	unding	
Project Description	projects costs up to December 31, 2012	Total 2013 project cost	County Cost	FGTF Grant	MSI Grant	Other Grant	Other Sources (non-grant)	Municipal levy Restricted Surp (previous year		Debenture
(12) - Administration Department										
FV - Sign with flags		\$25,000	\$25,000					\$25,0	00 GOR	
FV - Alarm system (CF)	6,161	\$42,967	\$42,967					\$42,9	67 GOR & IO	:-
ZA - Paving Cornerstone, Library parking lot (CF)	65,568	\$234,433	\$234,433					\$234,4	33 RR	
FV - Office roof repair & building improvements (CF)	110,970	\$39,030	\$0		\$39,030					
Virtual City Hall (CF)	15,585	\$4,415	\$4,415					\$4,4	15 IC-Adr	n
FV - Roof extension over back door (CF)		\$6,000	\$6,000					\$6,0	00 GOR	
Land purchases from AB SRD (CF)	42,673	\$132,328	\$132,328					\$132,3	28 IC-Adr	n
County's CAO house repairs (CF)	73,578	\$11,446	\$11,446					\$11,4	46 GOR	
Total department 1.	2	\$495,619	\$456,589	\$0	\$39,030	\$0	\$0	\$0 \$456,5	89	\$0
(23) - Fire Department										
FV - Rescue struts		\$6,000	\$6,000					\$6,0	00 ER	
FV - Upgrade foam system on pump		\$8,000	\$8,000					\$8,0	00 ER	
FV - Self contained breathing apparatus compressor		\$35,000	\$35,000					\$35,0	00 ER	
Tompkins Fire Hall - Landscaping (CF)	17,925	\$2,075	\$2,075					\$2,0	75 IC-FD	
LC - Blue Hills Fire Hall - Furniture/fixtures (CF)	31,188	\$8,812	\$8,812					\$8,8	12 IC-FD	
LC - Self contained breathing apparatus compressor		\$35,000	\$35,000					\$35,0	00 ER	
LC - Rescue struts		\$6,000	\$6,000					\$6,0	00 ER	
LC - Upgrade foam system on pump		\$8,000	\$8,000					\$8,0	00 ER	
Total department 2:	3	\$108,887	\$108,887	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 \$108,8	87	\$0
(32) - Transportation Department										
FV - Commercial grade turn mower		\$18,600	\$18,600					\$18,6	00 V&E	
FV - Pintle hitch trailer to haul loader		\$30,000	\$24,000				\$6,000	\$24,0	00 V&E	
FV - Tandem axle pup trailer		\$35,000	\$35,000					\$35,0	00 V&E	
FV - 550 truck with picker & auger		\$98,500	\$55,355	\$43,145				\$55,3	55 V&E	
LC - 101 St & 103 Ave reconstruction (CF)	18,582	\$1,545,890	\$268,812		\$1,221,033	\$56,045		\$268,8	12 RR	
FV - Broom for Bobcat skid steer		\$9,400	\$9,400					\$9,4	00 V&E	
FV - 48th & 53rd Ave paving (CF)	-	\$685,150	\$102,220		\$453,995	\$128,935		\$47,070 \$55,1	50 RR	
ZA - Aspen Drive paving & S-curve servicing (CF)	-	\$680,000	\$42,412		\$637,588			\$42,4	12 RR	
New infrastructure		\$500,000	\$500,000					\$500,0	00 RR	
LC - BF 81125 - Culverts (3)		\$380,904	\$218,514		\$162,390			\$202,992 \$15,5	22 RR	
LC - BF 81120/79239 - Bridge repairs		\$260,000	\$260,000					\$210,000 \$50,0	00 RR	
LC - BF 81336 - Engineering re: culvert	-	\$50,993	\$50,993					\$36,413 \$14,5	80 RR	

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#### MACKENZIE COUNTY TCA Projects 2013

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Rey. 2013 Projects approved by Council, Projects Camed	For CF	12012.			External	Funding			Internal Fund	ding	
Project Description	projects costs up to December 31, 2012	Total 2013 project cost	County Cost	FGTF Grant	MSI Grant	Other Grant	Other Sources (non-grant)	Municipal levy	Restricted Surplus (previous years)	RS- type	Debenture
LC - BF 75117 - Engineering re: culvert		\$51,074	\$51,074					\$36,449	\$14,625	RR	
LC - Steamer trailer		\$12,000	\$10,500				\$1,500		\$10,500	RR	
LC - Pave pathway 91st Ave & 102 St		\$15,500	\$15,500						\$15,500	RR	
FV - Pressure washer system upgrades (CF)	-	\$5,000	\$5,000						\$5,000	IC-PW	
LC - 105th Avenue reconstruction		\$294,730	\$23,730		\$271,000				\$23,730	RR	
ZA - Bearspaw Crescent (CF)	511,261	\$15,633	\$15,633						\$15,633	IC-PW	
LC - Salt and sand shelter		\$202,000	\$0		\$202,000						
Ground Penetrating Radar unit		\$40,000	\$40,000						\$40,000	RR	
ZA - Utility & Power Pole Relocations (CF)	53,513	\$8,943	\$8,943						\$8,943	IC-PW	
LC - Intersection lighting at 99 Street & North Access Road		\$40,925	\$40,925					\$40,925			
ZA - Beautification Project (CF)	5,662	\$4,338	\$4,338						\$4,338	IC-Adm	
Gravel Reserve (to secure gravel sources)		\$500,000	\$500,000					\$500,000			
AJA Friesen Road Reconstruction (CF)	1,681,094	\$18,825	\$18,825						\$18,825	IC-PW	
Zama Access Road - Phase III (CF)	3,268,038	\$2,731,962	\$1,392,486			\$1,339,477			\$1,392,486	RR	
Zama Access Rd - Phase IV		\$6,563,700	\$3,563,700			\$3,000,000			\$1,800,000	GOR	\$1,763,700
Hwy 88 connector upgrade Phase I (CF)	2,959,968	\$5,697,196	\$5,372,196				\$325,000	\$924,299	\$2,703,200	RR	\$1,744,697
Hwy 88 connector upgrade Phase II (CF)	-	\$7,013,100	\$4,013,100			\$3,000,000					\$4,013,100
Hwy 88 connector upgrade Phase III (CF)	-	\$4,683,800	\$2,341,900			\$2,341,900					\$2,341,900
Total department 32		\$32,193,164	\$19,003,156	\$43,145	\$2,948,006	\$9,866,357	\$332,500	\$1,998,148	\$7,141,611		\$9,863,397
(33) - Airport Department											
LC - Airport Dev'ment (CF)	2,679,117	\$15,364	\$15,364						\$15,364	IC-ARP	
FV - Airport Dev'ment (CF)	1,363,224	\$16,382	\$16,382						\$16,382	IC-ARP	
LC - Beacon light tower		\$7,500	\$7,500					\$7,500			
LC - Instrument Approach (CF)	36,112	\$13,889	\$13,889						\$13,889	IC-ARP	
Total department 33		\$53,135	\$53,135	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,500	\$45,635		\$0
(41) - Water Treatment & Distribution Department											
FV - Truckfill meter upgrades		\$25,000	\$25,000						\$25,000	WTR	
FV - 50th St water & sewer extension		\$581,000	\$151,444	\$254,353			\$175,203		\$92,211	WUR + SUR	\$59,233
Wolfe Lake Water Point Building Replacement (CF)	8,615	\$7,385	\$7,385						\$7,385	WTR	
LC - Spare well pump and motor		\$13,000	\$13,000						\$13,000	WTR	
FV - Replacement of chlorine gas equipment & analyzer (CF)	8,697	\$6,303	\$6,303						\$6,303	WUR	
ZA - Distribution pumphouse upgrades		\$897,075	\$224,269	\$224,269		\$672,806			\$0	WTR	
LC - Rehab well 1		\$150,712	\$0	\$150,712							
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TCA Projects 2013

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	For CF projects costs				External	Funding			Internal Fund	ding	
Project Description	up to December 31, 2012	Total 2013 project cost	County Cost	FGTF Grant	MSI Grant	Other Grant	Other Sources (non-grant)	Municipal levy	Restricted Surplus (previous years)	RS- type	Debenture
LC - SCADA computer		\$7,500	\$7,500						\$7,500	WTR	
ZA - Water treatment plant upgrades (CF)	-	\$50,000	\$50,000						\$50,000	WTR	
ZA - WTP - Roof ventilation and insulation		\$11,500	\$11,500						\$11,500	WTR	
FV - Water treatment plant capacity & expansion assessment (CF)	204	\$0	\$0						\$0		
Rural Water - Phases I & II (CF)	237,278	\$353,098	\$40,376		\$297,822		\$14,900		\$40,376	WUR	
Rural Water - Pumping stn. (CF)	8,131	\$441,869	\$0		\$441,869						
Phase I - High Level Rural Water Line (South)		\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000								\$1,800,00
Total department 4	1	\$4,344,442	\$2,336,777	\$629,334	\$739,691	\$672,806	\$190,103	\$0	\$253,275		\$1,859,23
(42) - Sewer Disposal Department											
LC - Lagoon upgrade	466,440	\$3,929,911	\$0	\$555,541	\$896,125	\$2,478,245					
ZA - Lift station upgrade		\$1,144,000	\$286,300			\$857,700		\$220,252	\$66,048	GCR	
ZA - Storage shed		\$8,000	\$8,000					\$8,000			
FV - Complete upgrade main lift station		\$75,000	\$75,000						\$75,000	ISC	
Total department 42	2	\$5,156,911	\$369,300	\$555,541	\$896,125	\$3,335,945	\$0	\$228,252	\$141,048		\$
(43) - Solid Waste Disposal	•										
2 X 40-yard bins		\$22,000	\$22,000						\$22,000	RW + GCR	
Land purchase (NW 11-104-17-W5), Tompkins Waste Transfer Station (CF)	36,000	\$3,000	\$3,000						\$3,000	RW	
Blumenort - Shack replacement		\$11,911	\$11,911						\$11,911	GCR	
Total department 4:	3	\$36,911	\$36,911	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$36,911		\$
(61) - Planning & Development Department											
Trimble GeoExplorer 6000 XH		\$10,150	\$10,150						\$10,150	ICD	
Total department 6	1	\$10,150	\$10,150	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,150		\$
(63) - Agricultural Services Department											
HL - Rural Drainage - Phase II & Phase III (CF)	398,524	\$632,476	\$490,000		\$142,476				\$490,000	DR	
Spruce Road drainage & road rehab		\$330,000	\$330,000						\$330,000	DR	
Total department 6:	3	\$962,476	\$820,000	\$0	\$142,476	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$820,000		\$
(71) - Recreation											
FV - Capital (includes CF)		\$94,417	\$71,862		\$22,555			\$64,862	\$7,000	FV-R	
LC - Capital (includes CF)		\$128,417	\$128,417					\$86,000	\$42,417	LC-R	
Recreation Facilities - Grounds Improvements (CF)	-	\$432,520	\$432,520						\$432,520	IC-Rec	
LC - Jubilee Park Committee - Walking Trails		\$50,000	\$50,000					\$10,000	\$40,000	WTr-LC	

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TCA Projects 2013

Key: 2013 Projects approved by Council; Projects carried forward from 2012.

	For CF				External	Funding			Internal Fun	ding	
Project Description	projects costs up to December 31, 2012	Total 2013 project cost	County Cost	FGTF Grant	MSI Grant	Other Grant	Other Sources (non-grant)	Municipal levy	Restricted Surplus (previous years)	RS- type	Debenture
ZA - Capital (includes CF)		\$71,000	\$71,000					\$31,000	\$40,000	ZA-R	
LC - Splash park (CF)	-	\$255,000	\$195,000				\$60,000	\$135,000	\$60,000	IC-Rec	
FV - Splash park (CF)	-	\$305,000	\$175,000				\$130,000	\$135,000	\$40,000	IC-Rec	
Total department 7	1	\$1,336,354	\$1,123,799	\$0	\$22,555	\$0	\$190,000	\$461,862	\$661,937		\$0
(72) - Parks & Playgrounds Department	1	Γ				T	T	Г	T		
ZA - Park landscaping (CF)	7,054	\$2,946	\$2,946						\$2,946	PR	i
FV - Concrete toilets		\$17,000	\$17,000					\$17,000			
Machesis Lake - Concrete toilets		\$34,000	\$34,000					\$34,000			
LC - Arena walkway (CF)	2,462	\$12,538	\$12,538						\$12,538	IC-Rec	
Hutch Lake - Shelter and playground equipment (CF)	36,461	\$0	\$0				\$0				
Hutch Lake - Stairs (CF)	17,791	\$2,749	\$2,749						\$2,749	PR	
Total department 7.	2	\$69,233	\$69,233	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$51,000	\$18,233		\$0
TOTAL 2013 Capital Projects		\$44,767,282	\$24,387,937	\$1,228,021	\$4,787,883	\$13,875,108	\$712,603	\$2,746,762	\$9,694,276		\$11,722,630

2013 Budget

Mackenzie County

Schedule F - Municipal Reserves

Name	Beginning Balance (Dec. 31 2012)	To be used for 2012 CF projects	To be used for 2013 projects	Transfer from Operating to Reserve	Transfer from Reserves to Operating	Transfer to Capital Fund	Interfund Transfers	Estimated Ending Balance (Dec. 31, 2013)
Operating Fund Reserves:								
Operating Fund Reserve	4,526,660	(11,446)	(1,867,000)		(84.625)		(1,595,686)	967,904
Operating Fund Reserve - incl. non-TCA	741,121	(556,595)	(1,007,000)		(01,020)		(1,070,000)	184,526
Reserve - Off Site Levy - Water	860,373	(000,070)						860,373
Grants to Other Organizations Reserve	135,581			50,000	(5,000)		(14,265)	166,316
Rocky Acres Program - Incomplete	50,000			00,000	(0,000)		(11,200)	50,000
Reserve - Development	183,585							183,585
Recreation - Parks Reserve	81,912	(5,695)		50,000				126,217
Subdivisions Reserve	197,473	(5,075)		30,000				197,473
Gravel Reclamation Reserve	22,377							22,377
Municipal Reserve	187,133							187.133
Gravel Crushing Reserve	962,312							962,312
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Subtotal - Operating Fund Reserves	7,948,528	(573,736)	(1,867,000)	100,000	(89,625)	-	(1,609,951)	3,908,216
Capital Fund Reserves:								
Incomplete Capital - Recreation	789,645	(545,058)						244,587
Incomplete Capital - Administration	208,015	(148,048)						59,967
Incomplete Capital - Fire Department	239,971	(10,887)						229,084
Incomplete Capital - Ambulance	346,818							346,818
Incomplete Capital - Enforcement	123							123
Incomplete Capital - Airport	164,401	(45,635)						118,766
Incomplete Capital - Sewer	35,000							35,000
Agriculture - Reserve	50,000							50,000
Recreation Reserve - Zama	52,148	(40,000)						12,148
Recreation Reserve - La Crete	28,152	(42,417)					14,265	0
Reserve - Roads (General)	995,136	(1,749,868)	(3,631,082)	500,000			4,095,686	209,872
Water Treatment Plant Reserve	517,285	(78,185)	(57,000)					382,100
Incomplete Capital - Sewer	155,933		(75,000)					80,933
Incomplete Capital - Development	45,146		(10,150)					34,996
Recreation Reserve - Fort Vermilion	81,866	(7,000)						74,866
Drainage Reserve	1,992,782	(490,000)	(330,000)	250,000	(175,000)			1,247,782
Rural Water Line Reserve	19,492	( , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	(222,722)	,	( 2,222,			19,492
Walking Trails - Fort Vermilion	_							-
Walking Trails - La Crete	40,000		(40,000)					-
Incomplete Capital - Public Works	201,999	(48,401)	(12,229)					153,598
Reserve - Water Upgrading	517,094	(46,679)	(46,105)					424,309
Reserve - Sewer Upgrading	318,254	( , )	(46,105)					272,149
Reserve - Waste	6,332	(3,000)	(3,332)					-
General Capital Reserve	3,425,116	(-,-30)	(96,627)				(2,500,000)	828,489
Vehicle Replacement Reserve	1,134,285		(142,355)	485,000			( , , )	1,476,930
Reserves-Garbage Projects (incl. capital)	8,500		, , , , , , , , ,	,				8,500
Emergency Services Reserves	207,250		(98,000)	200,000				309,250
Subtotal - Capital Fund Reserves	11,580,744	(3,255,178)	(4,575,757)	1,435,000	(175,000)	-	1,609,951	6,619,760
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TOTAL RESERVES	19,529,272	(3,828,914)	(6,442,757)	1,535,000	(264,625)	-	-	10,527,976



Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Alison Kilpatrick, Director of Corporate Services

Title: Financial Reports – January 1 to May 31, 2013

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Corporate Services provides financial reports to Council as per policy.

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

Please review the following financial reports for the four-month period, January 1 – May 31, 2013:

- Investment Report
- Operating Statement
- Projects Progress Report

#### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

#### **COMMUNICATION:**

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That the financial reports for the period, January 1 – May 31, 2013, be accepted for information.

Author: A. Kilpatrick Review Date: CAO	Author:	A. Kilpatrick	Review Date:	CAO
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#### **Investment Report for May 2013**

#### Chequing Account on May 31, 2013

Bank account balance 2,918,267

#### Investment Values on May 31, 2013

Short term investments (EM0-0377-A) Short term T-Bill (1044265-26) Long term investments (EM0-0374-A) 13,203,346 234,284 4,740,298 **18,177,928** 

These balances include 'market value changes'.

#### Revenues

Interest received Interest accrued

Market value changes
Interest received, chequing account

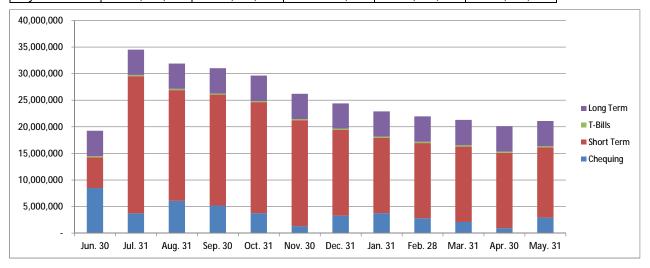
Grand total revenues before investment manager fees
Deduct: investment manager fees for investments

Grand total revenues after investment manager fees

Total	Short Term	Long Term
118,002	89,538	28,464
69,001	0	69,001
187,003	89,538	97,465
(50,292)		(50,292)
11,349	11,349	
148,060	100,887	47,173
-12,845	-4,537	-8,308
135,215	96,351	38,865

#### **Balances in the Various Accounts - Last 12 Months**

	Chequing	Short Term	T-Bills	Long Term	Total
Jun. 30	8,492,171	5,773,900	232,998	4,761,953	19,261,021
Jul. 31	3,735,746	25,789,539	233,116	4,764,915	34,523,317
Aug. 31	6,073,562	20,822,984	233,235	4,765,339	31,895,121
Sep. 30	5,200,615	20,847,223	233,350	4,734,742	31,015,930
Oct. 31	3,766,714	20,870,351	233,469	4,782,590	29,653,124
Nov. 30	1,338,291	19,897,422	233,584	4,731,752	26,201,049
Dec. 31	3,288,920	16,118,925	233,703	4,770,435	24,411,983
Jan. 31	3,769,369	14,133,670	233,822	4,761,401	22,898,263
Feb. 28	2,798,772	14,150,452	233,930	4,784,407	21,967,561
Mar. 31	2,109,858	14,169,292	234,049	4,781,006	21,294,206
Apr. 30	930,564	14,184,593	234,165	4,779,554	20,128,876
May. 31	2,918,267	13,203,346	234,284	4,740,298	21,096,195



	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2013	\$ Variance	% Variance
	Total	Total	Budget		
OPERATIONAL REVENUES					
OPERATIONAL REVENUES	20.000 554	24 000 570	24 420 252	20.772	00/
Property taxes User fees and sales of goods	30,086,554 3,439,363	31,099,579 1,350,743	31,129,352 3,522,472	29,773 2,171,729	0% 62%
Government transfers			1,223,479	989,824	81%
	3,241,960	233,655	, ,	,	84%
Investment income (operating)	454,041	52,445	326,000	273,555	
Penalties and costs on taxes	140,171	103,671	115,000	11,329	10% 47%
Licenses, permits and fines	428,969	172,890	328,600	155,710	
Rentals	77,847	30,645	80,128	49,483	62%
Insurance proceeds	673	20.204	-	(20.204)	
Development levies	61,302	38,394	_	(38,394)	
Muncipal reserve revenue	44,578	50,966	-	(50,966)	
Sale of non-TCA equipment	3,454	200.005	224 625	44.600	420/
Other	649,993	290,005	334,625	44,620	13%
Total operating revenues	38,628,902	33,422,992	37,059,656	3,636,664	10%
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES					
Legislative	594,063	268,910	735,150	466,240	63%
Administration	4,750,506	1,979,506	5,180,847	3,201,341	62%
Protective services	2,729,063	429,227	1,566,071	1,136,844	73%
Transportation	13,181,067	2,371,766	13,486,567	11,114,802	82%
Water, sewer, solid waste disposal	4,211,295	1,049,788	4,754,579	3,704,791	78%
Public health and welfare (FCSS)	728,839	395,403	693,241	297,838	43%
Planning, development	785,546	199,478	1,030,661	831,183	81%
Agriculture and veterinary	945,293	298,210	1,385,366	1,087,156	78%
Recreation and culture	1,618,859	635,865	1,941,579	1,305,714	67%
School requisitions	6,157,364	1,554,263	6,222,152	4,667,889	75%
Lodge requisitions	291,715	-	392,262	392,262	100%
Non-TCA projects	204,592	201,801	1,142,690	940,889	82%
Total operating expenses	36,198,203	9,384,217	38,531,165	29,146,948	76%
Excess (deficiency) before other	2,430,700	24,038,776	(1,471,509)	(25,510,285)	
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CAPITAL REVENUES				.=	000/
Government transfers for capital	5,103,229	2,472,769	19,891,011	17,418,242	88%
Other revenue for capital	156,682	8,275	529,900	521,625	98%
Proceeds from sale of TCA assets	663,234		7,500	7,500	100%
	5,923,145	2,481,044	20,428,411	17,947,367	88%
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) - PSAB Model	8,353,845	26,519,819	18,956,902	(7,562,917)	_
Convert to local government model					
Remove non-cash transactions	8,336,955		6,839,758	6,839,758	100%
Remove revenue for capital projects	(5,923,145)	(2,481,044)	(20,428,411)	(17,947,367)	88%
Long term debt principle	2,275,059	208,895	1,928,507	1,719,612	89%
Transfers to/from reserves	8,442,596	200,095	3,439,742	3,439,742	100%
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) - LG Model	50,000	23,829,881	-	(23,829,881)	

#### Mackenzie County Summary of All Units For the Five Months Ending May 31, 2013

	2012 Actual Total	2013 Actual Total	2013 Budget	\$ Variance	% Variance
	Total	TOTAL	Buuget		
OPERATING REVENUES 100-Taxation	20 950 244	20 969 756	30.880.043	11 207	0%
124-Frontage	29,859,344 255,668	30,868,756 230,823	272,552	11,287 41,729	15%
420-Sales of goods and services	641,482	152,013	322,405	170,392	53%
421-Sale of water - metered	2,097,610	916,681	2,397,080	1,480,399	62%
422-Sale of water - bulk	700,271	282,048	802,987	520,939	65%
424-Sale of land 510-Penalties on taxes	63,764 140,171	12,816 103,671	115,000	(12,816) 11,329	10%
511-Penalties of AR and utilities	41,251	17,621	35,000	17,379	50%
520-Licenses and permits	19,911	10,825	15,600	4,775	31%
521-Offsite levy	61,302	38,394	-	(38,394)	
522-Municipal reserve revenue	44,578	50,966	-	(50,966)	4-0/
526-Safety code permits 525-Subdivision fees	330,815	132,142 18,774	250,000 25,000	117,858	47% 25%
530-Fines	48,899 16,270	5,560	28,000	6,226 22,440	80%
531-Safety code fees	13,074	5,589	10,000	4,411	44%
550-Interest revenue	430,269	83,814	326,000	242,186	74%
551-Market value changes	23,771	(31,369)	-	31,369	
560-Rental and lease revenue	77,847	30,645	80,128	49,483	62%
570-Insurance proceeds 592-Well drilling revenue	673 250,945	- 116,605	25,000	(91,605)	-366%
597-Other revenue	184,802	121,327	206,875	85,548	-300 % 41%
598-Community aggregate levy	109,231	21,636	67,750	46,114	68%
630-Sale of non-TCA equipment	3,454	-	, -	, -	
830-Federal grants	1,874	-		-	
840-Provincial grants	3,240,086	233,655	1,223,479	989,824	81%
890-Gain (Loss) Penny Rounding 990-Over/under tax collections	(28,458)	(0)	(23,243)	0 (23,243)	100%
330 Overrainer tax concentrations	(20,400)		(20,240)	(20,240)	10070
TOTAL REVENUE	38,628,902	33,422,992	37,059,656	3,636,664	10%
OPERATING EXPENSES					
110-Wages and salaries	5,140,205	2,325,683	6,323,484	3,997,801	63%
132-Benefits	880,574	475,639	1,249,650	774,011	62%
136-WCB contributions	42,059	18,110	61,391	43,281	71%
142-Recruiting	18,716	-	20,000	20,000	100%
150-Isolation cost	35,642	24,077	66,000	41,923	64%
151-Honoraria 211-Travel and subsistence	473,231 412,881	245,757 127,226	532,500 335,100	286,743 207,874	54% 62%
212-Promotional expense	34,222	10,722	72,500	61,778	85%
214-Memberships & conference fees	111,370	39,247	125,480	86,233	69%
215-Freight	97,306	35,658	113,260	77,602	69%
216-Postage	29,193	18,616	33,450	14,834	44%
217-Telephone 221-Advertising	136,459 61,978	60,826 9,566	160,709 71,940	99,883 62,374	62% 87%
223-Subscriptions and publications	4,777	7,007	8,222	1,215	15%
231-Audit fee	68,965	-	57,500	57,500	100%
232-Legal fee	74,488	16,800	95,000	78,200	82%
233-Engineering consulting	153,245	24,026	91,000	66,974	74%
235-Professional fee 236-Enhanced policing fee	2,660,001 237,840	447,685 103,500	1,364,204 347,500	916,519 244,000	67% 70%
239-Training and education	42,147	19,457	175,405	155,948	89%
242-Computer programming	52,746	8,577	61,119	52,542	86%
251-Repair & maintenance - bridges	59,312	-	181,100	181,100	100%
252-Repair & maintenance - buildings	181,060	42,013	172,716	130,703	76%
253-Repair & maintenance - equipment	256,390	80,418	300,300	219,882	73%
255-Repair & maintenance - vehicles 258-Contract graders	100,884 93,290	27,871 53,415	94,200 150,000	66,329 96,585	70% 64%
259-Repair & maintenance - structural	989,490	206,341	2,005,908	1,799,567	90%
261-lce bridge construction	76,692	65,805	120,000	54,195	45%
262-Rental - building and land	15,133	1,788	17,029	15,241	90%
263-Rental - vehicle and equipment	69,940	19,537	64,228	44,691	70%
266-Communications	73,785	34,766	68,706	33,940	49%
271-Licenses and permits 272-Damage claims	10,704 1,500	2,569 6,723	12,829 5,000	10,260 (1,723)	80% -34%
273-Taxes	990		15,000	15,000	100%
274-Insurance	272,043	-	284,800	284,800	100%
342-Assessor fees	257,865	107,327	235,000	127,673	54%
290-Election cost	4 044 574	2,750	8,000	5,250	66%
511-Goods and supplies 521-Fuel and oil	1,041,571 821,066	193,814 342,619	878,561 732,650	684,747 390,031	78% 53%
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	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2013	\$ Variance	% Variance
	Total	Total	Budget		
531-Chemicals and salt	195,479	88,020	280,950	192,930	69%
532-Dust control	365,815	5,166	419,800	414,634	99%
533-Grader blades	133,451	12,862	150,000	137,138	91%
534-Gravel (apply; supply and apply)	1,017,661	-	1,490,130	1,490,130	100%
535-Gravel reclamation cost	12,109		-	-	
543-Natural gas	84,170	74,078	98,464	24,386	25%
544-Electrical power	571,607	335,926	657,587	321,661	49%
710-Grants to local governments 735-Grants to other organizations	1,371,120 1,690,701	800,692 1,035,237	1,765,786 1,786,655	965,094 751,418	55% 42%
747-School requisition	6,157,364	1,554,263	6,222,152	4,667,889	75%
750-Lodge requisition	291,715	-	392,262	392,262	100%
810-Interest and service charges	39,202	5,642	36,000	30,358	84%
831-Interest - long term debt	426,418	60,318	469,490	409,172	87%
921-Bad debt expense	3,479	69	8,000	7,931	99%
922-Tax cancellation/write-off	202,181	4,210	60,000	55,790	93%
992-Cost of land sold	4,429	-	-	-	
993-NBV value of disposed TCA	854,138	-	13,492	13,492	100%
994-Change in inventory	713,078	-	(550,648)	(550,648)	100%
995-Depreciation of TCA	6,769,738	-	7,376,914	7,376,914	100%
TOTAL	35,993,611	9,182,416	37,388,475	28,206,059	75%
Non-TCA projects	204,592	201,801	1,142,690	940,889	82%
TOTAL EXPENSES	36,198,203	9,384,217	38,531,165	29,146,948	76%
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY)	2,430,700	24,038,776	(1,471,509)	(25,510,285)	
OTHER		075		(075)	
125-Connection rees	-	275	-	(275)	000/
840-Provincial transfers for capital	5,103,229	2,472,769	19,891,011	17,418,242	88% 100%
575-Contributed TCA 597-Other capital revenue	156,682	8,000	325,000 204,900	325,000 196,900	96%
630-Proceeds of sold TCA asset	663,234	6,000	7,500	7,500	100%
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	5,923,145	2,481,044	20,428,411	17,947,367	88%
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) - PS MODEL	8,353,845	26,519,819	18,956,902	(7,562,917)	
CONVERT TO LG INCOME STATEMENT					
Remove non-cash transactions associated with PSAB changes					
993-NBV value of disposed TCA	854,138	-	13,492	13,492	100%
994-Change in inventory	713,078	-	(550,648)	(550,648)	100%
995-Amortization of TCA	6,769,738	-	7,376,914	7,376,914	100%
Remove TCA revenues	(= 000 ( ( = )	(0.101.011)	(00.100.111)	//	200/
Total of OTHER per above	(5,923,145)	(2,481,044)	(20,428,411)	(17,947,367)	88%
Add LTD principle paid	0.075.050	000 005	4 000 507	4 740 040	000/
832-Principle Payments Add/Deduct LG model TF to/from reserves	2,275,059	208,895	1,928,507	1,719,612	89%
920-Contribution from Capital Reserve	(2,335)	_	(195,800)	(105 800)	100%
930-Contributions from Operating Reserve	(2,335) (47,181)	-	(646,220)	(195,800) (646,220)	100%
940-Contribution from Capital Reserve	(19,948)	-	(0-70,220)	(0-70,220)	100 /0
762-Contribution to Capital (funding TCA projects)	857,467	_	2,746,762	2,746,762	100%
763-Contribution to Capital Reserves	4,592,174	_	1,435,000	1,435,000	100%
764-Contribution to Operating Reserves	3,062,419	-	100,000	100,000	100%
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) - LG MODEL	50,000	23,829,881		(23,829,881)	

#### **Project Progress Report for May 2013**

		Project	Progres	s Report	for May	2013	
Project Name	Total costs	Costs in prior years	Costs in current year up to May 31, 2013	2013 Budget	2013 Budget Remaining on May 31, 2013	Status Update on May 31, 2013	Percentage of Completion (%)
Administration Department		•	•				
FV - Sign with flags	-	-	-	25,000	25,000		0%
FV - Alarm system (CF)	6,161	6,161	-	42,967	42,967		0%
ZA - Paving Cornerstone, Library parking lot (CF)	65,568	65,568	-	234,433	234,433		0%
FV - Office roof repair & building improvements (CF)	110,970	110,970	-	39,030	39,030		0%
Virtual City Hall (CF)	15,585	15,585	-	4,415	4,415		0%
FV - Roof extension over back door	-	-	-	6,000	6,000		0%
Land purchases from AB SRD (CF)	42,673	42,673	-	132,328	132,328		0%
County's CAO house repairs (CF)	73,687	73,578	108	11,446	11,338		
Total department 12			108	495,619	495,511		
						•	
Fire Department							
FV - Rescue struts	4,984	-	4,984	6,000	1,016		
FV - Upgrade foam system on pump	-	-	-	8,000	8,000		0%
FV - Self contained breathing apparatus compressor	-	-	-	35,000	35,000		0%
Tompkins Fire Hall - Landscaping (CF)	22,909	17,925	4,984	2,075	(2,909)		
LC - Blue Hills Fire Hall - Furniture/fixtures (CF)	31,188	31,188	-	8,812	8,812		0%
LC - Self contained breathing apparatus compressor	-	-	-	35,000	35,000		0%
LC - Rescue struts	-	-	-	6,000	6,000		0%
LC - Upgrade foam system on pump	-	-	-	8,000	8,000		0%
Total department 23	3		9,968	108,887	98,919		
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Transportation Department							
FV - Commercial grade turn mower	18,587	-	18,587	18,600	13		
FV - Pintle hitch trailer to haul loader	-	-	-	30,000	30,000		0%
FV - Tandem axle pup trailer	-	-	-	35,000	35,000		0%
FV - 550 truck with picker & auger	-	-	-	98,500	98,500		0%
LC - 101 St & 103 Ave reconstruction (CF)	35,653	18,582	17,071	1,545,890	1,528,820	Tender closes May 28th at Council Meeting	5%
FV - Broom for Bobcat skid steer	8,951	-	8,951	9,400	449		
FV - 48th & 53rd Ave paving (CF)	15,435	-	15,435	685,150	669,715		
ZA - Aspen Drive paving & S-curve servicing (CF)	2,681	-	2,681	680,000	677,319		
New infrastructure	-	-	-	500,000	500,000	Has not started to date	0%
LC - BF 81125 - Culverts (3)	7,877	-	7,877	380,904	373,027	Engineering Stage	10%

Project Name	Total costs	Costs in prior years	Costs in current year up to May 31, 2013	2013 Budget	2013 Budget Remaining on May 31, 2013	Status Update on May 31, 2013	Percentage of Completion (%)
LC - BF 81120/79239 - Bridge repairs	-	-	-	260,000	260,000	Engineering Stage	10%
LC - BF 81336 - Engineering re: culvert	-	-	-	50,993	50,993	Engineering Stage	10%
LC - BF 75117 - Engineering re: culvert	-	-	-	51,074	51,074	Engineering Stage	10%
LC - Steamer trailer	12,115	-	12,115	12,000	(115)	Complete	100%
LC - Pave pathway 91st Ave & 102 St	-	-	-	15,500	15,500	Waiting for Local Paving to begin	0%
FV - Pressure washer system upgrades (CF)	-	-	-	5,000	5,000		
LC - 105th Avenue reconstruction	-	-	-	294,730	294,730		
ZA - Bearspaw Crescent (CF)	511,261	511,261	-	15,633	15,633		
LC - Salt and sand shelter	-	-	-	202,000	202,000	Obtaining the required Price Quotes	5%
Ground Penetrating Radar unit	36,730	-	36,730	40,000	3,270	Complete	100%
ZA - Utility & Power Pole Relocations (CF)	53,513	53,513	-	8,943	8,943		
LC - Intersection lighting at 99 Street & North Access Road	-	-	-	40,925	40,925	Waiting for Atco to design.	0%
ZA - Beautification Project (CF)	5,662	5,662	-	4,338	4,338		
Gravel Reserve (to secure gravel sources)	-	-	-	500,000	500,000		
AJA Friesen Road Reconstruction (CF)	1,695,560	1,681,094	14,466	18,825	4,359	Minor cleanup to be completed	95%
Zama Access Road - Phase III (CF)	3,272,396	3,268,038	4,358	2,731,963	2,727,605		
Zama Access Rd - Phase IV	-	-	-	6,563,700	6,563,700		
Hwy 88 connector upgrade Phase I (CF)	2,990,943	2,980,540	10,404	5,697,196	5,686,792	In Progress	30%
Hwy 88 connector upgrade Phase II	12,584	-	12,584	7,013,100	7,000,516	Design Stage	2%
Hwy 88 connector upgrade Phase III	-	-	-	4,683,800	4,683,800	Design Stage	0%
Total department 32			161,260	32,193,164	32,031,904		

Airport Department

LC - Airport Dev'ment (CF)	2,679,117	2,679,117	-	15,364	15,364		
FV - Airport Dev'ment (CF)	1,363,667	1,363,224	443	16,382	15,940		
LC - Beacon light tower	-	-	-	7,500	7,500	Complete waiting for invoice	100%
LC - Instrument Approach (CF)	36,112	36,112	-	13,889	13,889	In progress	60%
Total department 33			443	53,135	52,693		

Water Treatment & Distribution Department

FV - Truckfill meter upgrades	-	-	-	25,000	25,000	In Progress	10%
FV - 50th St water & sewer extension	11,753	-	11,753	581,000	569,247	Local Improvement Bylaw passed, In the advertisement stage.	5%
Wolfe Lake Water Point Building Replacement (CF)	8,765	8,615	150	7,385	7,235	New building is on site and ready to be placed.	60%
LC - Spare well pump and motor	-	-	-	13,000	13,000	Have not places the order to date.	0%

Project Name	Total costs	Costs in prior years	Costs in current year up to May 31, 2013	2013 Budget	2013 Budget Remaining on May 31, 2013	Status Update on May 31, 2013	Percentage of Completion (%)
FV - Replacement of chlorine gas equipment & analyzer (CF)	15,840	8,697	7,143	6,303	(840)	Complete	100%
ZA - Distribution pumphouse upgrades	32,513	-	32,513	897,075	864,563	Grant application submitted waiting for funding approval.	5%
LC - Rehab well 1	3,047	-	3,047	150,712	147,665	On Hold	0%
LC - SCADA computer	-	-	-	7,500	7,500	Complete waiting for invoice.	100%
ZA - Water treatment plant upgrades (CF)	474	-	474	50,000	49,526	Complete waiting for invoice.	100%
ZA - WTP - Roof ventilation and insulation	-	-	-	11,500	11,500	Has not started	0%
Rural Water - Phases I & II (CF)	430,368	237,278	193,091	353,098	160,007	Minor cleanup to be done.	98%
Rural Water - Pumping stn. (CF)	13,256	8,131	5,125	441,869	436,744	On Hold	1%
High Level Rural Water Line (South)	-	-	-	1,800,000	1,800,000	In design stage.	0%
Total department 4:	1		253,295	4,344,442	4,091,147		
Sewer Disposal Department							
LC - Lagoon upgrade (CF)	595,594	466,440	129,154	3,929,911	3,800,757	Clearing contract is complete, construction tender to close in June.	15%
ZA - Lift station upgrade	888	-	888	1,144,000	1,143,113	Grant application submitted waiting for funding approval.	5%
ZA - Storage shed	-	-	-	8,000	8,000	Not started to date.	0%
FV - Complete upgrade main lift station	-	-	-	75,000	75,000	Not started to date.	0%
Total department 42	2		130,041	5,156,911	5,026,870		
Solid Waste Disposal							
2 X 40-yard bins	-	-	-	22,000	22,000		0%
Land purchase (NW 11-104-17-W5), Tompkins Waste Transfer Station (CF)	36,000	36,000	-	3,000	3,000		0%
Blumenort - Shack replacement			_	11,911	11,911		0%

2 X 40-yard bins	-	-	-	22,000	22,000	0%
Land purchase (NW 11-104-17-W5), Tompkins Waste Transfer Station (CF)	36,000	36,000	-	3,000	3,000	0%
Blumenort - Shack replacement	-	-	-	11,911	11,911	0%
Total department 43			-	36,911	36,911	

#### Planning & Development Department

Trimble GeoExplorer 6000 XH	-	-	-	10,150	10,150	The device has not been ordered.	0%
Total department 61			1	10,150	10,150		

#### **Agricultural Services Department**

HL - Rural Drainage - Phase II & Phase III (CF)	554,780	398,524	156,256	632,476	476,220	Completion Date- July 1, 2013	80%
Spruce Road drainage & road rehab	-	-	-	330,000	330,000	The commencement date will be in June or July 2013.	0%
Total department 63			156,256	962,476	806,220		

#### **Recreation Department**

Project Name	Total costs	Costs in prior years	Costs in current year up to May 31, 2013		2013 Budget Remaining on May 31, 2013	Status Update on May 31, 2013	Percentage of Completion (%)
FV - Capital (includes CF)	186,340	181,604	4,736	94,417	89,681		
LC - Capital (includes CF)	308,155	275,734	32,422	128,417	95,995		
Recreation Facilities - Grounds Improvements (CF)	-	-	-	432,520	432,520		0%
LC - Jubilee Park Committee - Walking Trails	-	-	-	50,000	50,000		0%
ZA - Capital (includes CF)	115,378	84,378	31,000	71,000	40,000		
LC - Splash park	-	-	-	255,000	255,000		0%
FV - Splash park	-	-	-	305,000	305,000		0%
Total department 71	•		68,158	1,336,354	1,268,196		

#### Parks & Playgrounds Department

ZA - Park landscaping (CF)	-	-	-	2,946	2,946	0%
Machesis Lake - Concrete toilets	-	-	-	17,000	17,000	0%
FV - Concrete toilets	-	-	-	34,000	34,000	0%
LC - Arena walkway (CF)	2,462	2,462	-	12,538	12,538	0%
Hutch Lake - Stairs (CF)	17,791	17,791	-	2,749	2,749	0%
Total department 72			_	69 233	69 233	

TOTAL 2013 Capital Projects

779,528 44,767,282 43,987,754



Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Joulia Whittleton, Chief Administrative Officer

Title: La Crete Enhanced Policing – Memorandum of Understanding

#### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

Mackenzie County signed an Extension Agreement with the RCMP for the provision of Enhanced Policing services in March 2013. Section 4 of this agreement requires the County to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Detachment Commanders to determine the duties and responsibilities of the RCMP members employed under the Agreement.

A draft MOU is being presented to Council for review and comment.

The following documents are attached for reference:

- Draft Memorandum of Understanding
- Memorandum of Understanding which expires June 30, 2013
- Enhanced Policing Agreement Extension Agreement (July 1, 2013 June 30, 2016)
- Lease Agreement La Crete Office (April 1, 2012 March 31, 2017)

#### **OPTIONS & BENEFITS:**

#### **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

2013 Budget

Author: C. Gabriel Reviewed by: CAO	
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# **COMMUNICATION: RECOMMENDED ACTION:** For review and discussion. Author: \_\_\_\_\_ Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ CAO \_\_\_\_



## **Memorandum of Understanding**

THIS ARRANGEMENT, made in duplicate as of the 29th day of May 2013.

#### BETWEEN

THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE (Hereinafter referred to as the "RCMP")

## AND

MACKENZIE COUNTY as represented by the Reeve (Hereinafter referred to as the "County")

Collectively referred to as the "Participants".

## **BACKGROUND:**

WHEREAS the County wishes to provide an enhanced level of provincial policing service and the Province of Alberta, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General has entered into such an Agreement with the County pursuant to Section 22(1) of the *Police Act* R.S.A. 2000, c.P-17; and,

WHEREAS the County shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the RCMP "K" Division to determine the duties and responsibilities of the RCMP Member employed by the said Agreement; and,

WHEREAS it is acknowledged and agreed that, notwithstanding anything contained herein, the MOU does not create any enforceable legal or equitable rights or any obligations, but merely serves to document the parameters and understanding in principle which have been reached and in respect to the duties and responsibilities of the RCMP Member providing services under this said Agreement.

## NOW THEREFORE THE PARTICIPANTS INTEND AS FOLLOWS:

#### 1.0 **DEFINITIONS**:

- 1.1 In this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) the following terms, in singular or plural form according to the context, are defined as follows:
  - i. "RCMP" means the Royal Canadian Mounted Police;
  - ii. "MOU" means Memorandum of Understanding:
  - iii. "Agreement" means Memorandum of Understanding;
  - iv. "Arrangement" means Memorandum of Understanding;
  - v. "WAD" means Western Alberta District of the RCMP:
  - vi. "Detachment Commander" means Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge;
  - vii. "OIC" means Officer in Charge;
  - viii. "Member" means police officer employed by the RCMP and assigned to the enhanced position; and,
  - ix. "RCMP Detachment" means the Fort Vermillion RCMP detachment.

## 2.0 PURPOSE AND SCOPE:

- 2.1 This Agreement shall commence on July 1, 2013 and expire on March 31, 2016 and will provide the terms of reference for the RCMP Member, RCMP Detachment, and the County in relation to the Option 1 Enhanced Policing Agreement between the County and the Minister of Justice, Solicitor General of Alberta for the Hamlet of La Crete dated 4th day of March, 2013.
- 2.2 This MOU sets out the general duties and responsibilities of the RCMP Member providing services to the County.
- 2.3 This MOU does not form a contractually binding Agreement and the Participants acknowledge their mutual intention to resolve all matters arising from this MOU in a fair and amicable way.

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#### 3.0 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE RCMP MEMBER:

- 3.1 The role of the RCMP Member under this MOU will be to provide an enhanced level of policing, focused on the prevention of crime, pursuant to the duties and responsibilities under the Provincial Police Service Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Province of Alberta. The RCMP Member shall not be required to perform any duties or provide any services which are not appropriate to the effective and efficient delivery of police services in the Province.
- 3.2 The primary function of the RCMP Member under this MOU will be to provide selective enforcement duties and responsibilities, including, but not limited to:
  - General duty policing services in accordance with the Provincial Police Service Agreement.
  - Traffic Enforcement, under the Traffic Safety Act of Alberta.
  - Enforcement of the Gaming and Liquor Act of Alberta.
  - Bring awareness to the community with respect to:
    - Bullying
    - o Impaired Driving / Drug Use
  - Delivering education and training to schools within the Detachment boundaries relating to the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.).
- 3.3 Additionally, the RCMP Member may participate and offer other public safety programs which may include:
  - Enforcement of the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act of Alberta (Illegal Dumping, etc.).
  - Emergency Planning / Disaster Services relating to special events and policing those special events in the area.
  - In support of the Detachment Commander, act as a liaison to the Police Advisory Committee or Community Advisory Group or Community Consultative Group, as may apply.

- Perform the duties and responsibilities of a school resource officer.
- Attend meetings with local council as required to report on programs and issues and the steps being taken on those programs and issues.
- 3.4 The role of the RCMP Member assigned to the County will be to provide an enhanced level of policing. The RCMP Member will not provide assistance or service in regulatory control or licenses of by-laws (for example: by laws relating to animals and building inspections).

#### 4.0 OBLIGATIONS OF THE RCMP:

- 4.1 The RCMP Member position will be maintained as a permanent posting in the County; however, the RCMP will not be held liable for any vacancy should such occur.
- 4.2 The Detachment Commander will have sole responsibility for determining the appropriate operational and administrative use of the enhanced policing RCMP Member providing services to the Hamlet of La Crete.
- 4.3 The RCMP Member will assist other RCMP detachment / unit locations during emergencies with the understanding that the RCMP will return services to the County in an amount equal to the time utilized by other detachment / unit locations.
- 4.4 The RCMP Member is an employee of the RCMP and as such, the RCMP has exclusive responsibility for investigating public / internal complaints involving the RCMP Member and for administering any discipline against the RCMP Member in accordance with the RCMP Act and applicable RCMP Policies / Directives.
- 4.5 The Detachment Commander will continue to provide the County's Chief Administrator with the Reeve's Report and the County Person Hour Tracking Report.

## 5.0 OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTY:

- 5.1 The County intends to participate in ongoing communication with the Detachment Commander with regards to feedback and priorities concerning the enhanced policing position.
- 5.2 To ensure that all articles contained within the Option 1 Enhanced Policing Agreement between the County and the Minister of Justice, Solicitor General of Alberta dated 4th day of March, 2013 are upheld and kept current / in good standing.

## 6.0 JOINT OBLIGATIONS OF BOTH PARTICIPANTS:

- 6.1 The County may provide input on the staffing selection process to fill the enhanced RCMP Member position. The RCMP will have exclusive authority to determine the appropriate and successful candidate for the position.
- 6.2 The RCMP agrees to provide the RCMP Member providing services under this MOU with a suitable work station in the RCMP Detachment. Should it be agreed upon that an alternative work site to the RCMP Detachment is required, the County agrees to provide such alternate work site at no cost to the RCMP. Further the County agrees to ensure that any such alternative work site selected meets all RCMP security standards and protocols and any cost associated with the County meeting such security standards and protocol will not be transferred to the RCMP and financially assumed exclusively by the County.
- 6.3 The RCMP will be responsible for providing basic equipment and training for the enhanced policing RCMP Member in order that he or she may perform those services directly related to enforcement of all Federal and Provincial Statues and the Criminal Code of Canada. The County will provide for any specialized training or equipment needs which may be required by the RCMP Member to perform services directly related to the County by-laws pertinent to public safety, traffic law enforcement and protection of County and public infrastructures.
- 6.4 As required by either the County or the RCMP, any unresolved issues between the County and the RCMP shall be referred to the representatives for resolution pursuant to Article 10.0.

## 7.0 FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

7.1 The County shall be charged as per Sections 5 to 8 inclusive, as outlined in the Enhanced Policing Agreement between the Province of Alberta and the County made the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.

## 8.0 TERM:

8.1 Notwithstanding the date on which this MOU is signed by each of the Participants, this MOU shall come into effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2013 and will expire on 30th day of June 2016. This agreement may be renewed or extended upon such terms as may be mutually agreed to at that time.

#### 9.0 DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES:

9.1 The following officials are designated as the departmental representatives for purposes of this Arrangement and any notices required under this Arrangement will be delivered as follows:

For the RCMP:

NCO i/c Fort Vermillion Detachment 4302 – 45 St

Fort Vermillion, AB T0H 1N0

Phone: 780-927-3258

For the County:

Reeve PO Box 640

Fort Vermillion, AB T0H 1N0

Fax: 780-927-4266

#### 10.0 DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

10.1 In the event of a dispute arising from the interpretation or operation of this Arrangement, it will be referred to the Participants' representatives set out in Article 9.0, above, who will use their best efforts to resolve the matter amicably. If such negotiation fails, the Participants intend to refer the matter to the below noted senior parties for resolution:

For the RCMP:

District Commander Suite 101 10605 West Side Drive Grande Prairie, AB T8V 8E6

Phone: 780-831-2340

For the County:

Reeve PO Box 640

Fort Vermillion, AB T0H 1N0

Fax: 780-927-4266

#### 11.0 LIABILITY:

11.1 Each Participant will be responsible for any damages caused by the conduct of its' employees or agents in carrying out the terms of this Arrangement.

## 12.0 MONITORING:

- 12.1 The Participants will meet on an annual basis to review and assess the operation and effectiveness of this Arrangement or as requested to discuss matters of mutual interest.
- 12.2 The Detachment Commander or designate will meet with the County Reeve and Council, or designate, at least once every quarter to discuss matters of mutual interest or concern.
- 12.3 The District Commander for WAD may meet with the County Reeve and Council, or designate, on a yearly basis, or as requested to discuss matters of mutual interest concerning this MOU.

## 13.0 TERMINATION:

- 13.1 This Arrangement may be terminated by either Participant at any time, without cause, by either party, upon one calendar year's written notice (365 days) to the other.
- 13.2 Termination does not release a Participant from any obligations which accrued while the Arrangement was in force.

## 14.0 AMENDMENT TO THE ARRANGEMENT:

- 14.1 Amendment to this Arrangement may be negotiated by either Participant and may only be amended by the written consent of all the Participants.
- 14.2 This Arrangement shall not be varied by an oral agreement or representation or otherwise than by an instrument in writing of concurrent or subsequent date hereto duly executed by the Participants.

Recommended by:					
Date: S/Sgt. Detachment Commander NCO i/c Fort Vermillion RCMP Detachment					
Signed by the authorized officers of the Participants:					
For the County:  Mr. Bill Neufeld	Date:				
Reeve Mackenzie County					
For the RCMP:					
D.N. (Dale) McGowan Deputy Commissioner M.O.M. Commanding Officer "K" Division	Date:				

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS ARRANGEMENT, made in duplicate as of the 3nd day of September 2010

#### **BETWEEN**

Royal Canadian Mounted Police (hereinafter referred to as the "RCMP")

#### AND

Mackenzie County (hereinafter referred to as the "County")

## **BACKGROUND**

CONCERNING THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF THE COUNTY AND THE RCMP RELATIVE TO AN ENHANCED LEVEL OF POLICE SERVICES PURSUANT TO SECTION 22(1) OF THE POLICE ACT R.S.A. 2000, C.P.-17.

## NOW THEREFORE THE PARTICIPANTS INTEND AS FOLLOWS:

## 1. **DEFINITIONS:**

In this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) the following terms, in singular or plural form according to the context, are defined as follows:

"County" means Mackenzie County

"RCMP" means Royal Canadian Mounted Police

"Arrangement" means Memorandum of Understanding

"MOU" means Memorandum of Understanding

"Constable" means the Constable (Regular Member) of the RCMP assigned to the enhanced position.

"Community Policing Initiatives" means agreed upon Annual Performance Plan

## 2. PURPOSE AND SCOPE:

- 2.1 The County entered into an arrangement with the Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security on the 16th day of June, 2010, pertaining to an enhanced policing initiative for the Mackenzie County in the Province of Alberta.
- 2.2 The County intends to secure an arrangement with the RCMP to provide an enhanced level of police services to the County for the purpose of community policing initiatives.
- 2.3 The participants acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding anything contained herein, this arrangement does not create any enforceable legal or equitable rights nor any obligations, it merely serves to document the parameters that have been set out during discussions between the participants during which an understanding in principal has been reached.
- 2.4 The participants further acknowledge that if either participant acts to its detriment in reliance on this memorandum or any part thereof, or in reliance on any representations by the other participant or its officers, employees or agents, does so without recourse to the other participant.

## 3. OBLIGATIONS OF THE RCMP:

- 3.1 The RCMP will provide two (2) Constables to conduct "enhanced police services" relating to policing needs of the La Crete area.
- 3.2 The Constables employed by the County will be under the direct control of the NCO I/C Fort Vermilion Detachment or designate and will be stationed at the Fort Vermilion Detachment.
- 3.3 The role of the Constables under this MOU will be to provide an enhanced level of provincial policing consistent with the Provincial Police Service Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Province of Alberta. The Constables shall not be required to perform any duties or to provide any services which are not appropriate and consistent with the effective and efficient delivery of police services in the Province.
- 3.4 The RCMP members will give priority to community policing initiatives. The focus of these initiatives will be on investigation of drug trafficking offences and other enterprise crime within their area or jurisdiction.

- 3.5 The Constables shall assist other RCMP members during an emergency situation on the understanding that the RCMP will reciprocate with time and/or services provided by the members as appropriate and determined by the NCO I/C Fort Vermilion Detachment or his designate.
- 3.6 As required by either the County or the RCMP, any unresolved issues between the County and the NCO I/C Fort Vermilion Detachment shall be referred to the representatives identified in Section 12 of this MOU.
- 3.7 The RCMP will be responsible for providing basic equipment and training for the Constables assigned to this MOU (vehicle, radio, kit and clothing). The RCMP will also provide normal RCMP training courses that the member may require to perform his/her duties.
- 3.8 The NCO I/C Fort Vermilion Detachment or designate may provide the County with a written report on a monthly basis and will meet with the representatives of the County to discuss matters of a mutual interest on a quarterly basis or when requested to do so, providing proper notice is given.
- The role of the Constables assigned to the County under authority of this MOU will be to provide an enhanced level of provincial/federal policing services, with specific focus on community policing initiatives. The Constables will not provide assistance or service in regulatory control of licences or bylaws.

## 4. OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTY:

- 4.1 The County intends that the NCO I/C Fort Vermilion Detachment will be solely responsible for determining the appropriate operational and administrative use of RCMP personnel. This does not preclude active consultation between the County and the NCO I/C Fort Vermilion Detachment.
- 4.2 The County intends that the related costs of policing incurred during the policing of this arrangement will relate directly to the policing of the County.

## 5. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

5.1 Financial arrangements for this MOU are provided for under the Agreement dated 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010, between the County and the Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security.

## 6. TERM:

This Arrangement will commence on July 01, 2010 and, subject to ratification of a new Provincial Police Service agreement effective April 01, 2010, shall expire on June 30, 2013.

## 7. CONFIDENTIALITY AND USE OF INFORMATION:

Each Participant intends:

- 7.1 To use the information provided by the other Participant solely for the purpose of law enforcement and accounting purposes.
- 7.2 To treat information received from the other Participant in confidence and take all reasonable measures to preserve its confidentiality and integrity and to safeguard the information against accidental or unauthorized access, use, or disclosure.
- 7.3 Mark the information provided with the appropriate security classification.
  - In the case of the RCMP, this means Protected A, Protected B, Protected C or Classified, Unclassified, Confidential, Secret, Top Secret. In the case of the County, this means Confidential.
- 7.4 Treat information received from the other Participant in accordance with the security markings on it and to undertake to provide equivalent protection to it while it is in the receiving Participant's possession.
- 7.5 Attach terms, conditions, or caveats to the information supplied as the supplying Participant deems appropriate.
- 7.6 Abide by all caveats, conditions, or terms attached to the information.
- 7.7 Maintain appropriate records concerning the transmission and receipt of information exchanged.
- 7.8 Not disseminate the information to any third party without the prior written consent of the supplying Participant (or agency from which the information originated, as appropriate), except as required by law.
- 7.9 Limit access to the information to those of its employees whose duties require such access, who are legally bound to keep confidences and who have the appropriate security clearance.

- 7.10 Provide a written rationale for the request for information and set out the nature of the assistance sought when requesting information from the other Participant.
- 7.11 Comply with the provisions governing the use, disclosure and retention of records in the Youth Criminal Justice Act S.C. 2002.

## 8. INFORMATION MANAGEMENT:

The information disclosed under this arrangement will be administered, maintained, and disposed of in accordance with the Policy on Government Security and the law that applies to record retention and personal information and all applicable policies and guidelines. In the case of the RCMP, this includes the *Privacy Act*, the *National Archives of Canada Act*, and *Government Security Policy*. In the case of the County, the applicable laws pertaining thereto.

## 8.2 Each Participant will:

- 8.2.1 Promptly notify the other of any unauthorized use or disclosure of the information exchanged under this MOU and will furnish the other Participant with details of such unauthorized use or disclosure. In the event of such an occurrence the Participant responsible for the safeguarding of the information will take all reasonably necessary steps to prevent a reoccurrence.
- 8.2.2 Immediately notify the other if either receives a request under the *Privacy Act*, the *Access to Information Act*, or other lawful authority, for information provided under this MOU. If requested, the Participant will endeavor to protect the information from disclosure to the extent permitted by law.
- 8.2.3 Return any information that should not have been provided to it by the other Participant.

## 9. ACCURACY OF INFORMATION:

Each Participant will:

9.1 Use its best efforts to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information provided to the other Participant.

9.2 Promptly notify the other Participant if it learns that inaccurate or potentially unreliable information may have been provided or received and take all reasonable remedial steps.

## 10. DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES:

10.1 The following officials are designated as the departmental representatives for purposes of this Arrangement and any notices required under this Arrangement will be delivered as follows:

## For the RCMP:

NCO I/C Fort Vermilion RCMP 4302 45 Street Box 94 FORT VERMILION AB T0H 1N0 780 927 3258

## For the County:

Chief Administrative Officer Mackenzie County Box 640 FORT VERMILION AB TOH 1N0 780 927 3718

## 11. LIABILITY:

Each Participant will be responsible for any damages caused by the conduct of its employees or agents in carrying out the terms of this Arrangement.

## 12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

In the event of a dispute arising from the interpretation or operation of this Arrangement, it will be referred to the Participants' representatives set out above who will use their best efforts to resolve the matter amicably. If such negotiation fails, the Participants intend to refer the matter to the below-noted senior parties for resolution.

#### For the RCMP:

Western Alberta District Officer 101 - 10605 West Side Drive GRANDE PRAIRIE AB T8V 8E6

## For the County:

Reeve Mackenzie County FORT VERMILION AB TOH 1N0

## 13. MONITORING:

The Participants intend to meet on an annual basis to review and assess the operation and effectiveness of this Arrangement.

Upon completion of this operation, the participants intend to schedule a debriefing to evaluate and discuss lessons learned from training, planning, and operations. Each agency entered into this Arrangement is responsible for capturing a full description of their commitments and obligations identified throughout the operation.

## 14. TERMINATION:

This Arrangement may be terminated by either Participant upon ninety (90) days written notice. Termination does not release a Participant from any obligations which accrued while the Arrangement was in force.

## 15. AMENDMENT TO THE ARRANGEMENT:

This Arrangement may only be amended by the written consent of the Participants.

## Recommended by:

S/Sgt. Tom Love,

NCO I/C

RCMP Fort Vermilion Detachment

Date: August 27/2010

Signed by the authorized officers of the Participants:

For the County:

Reeve, Greg Newman

Date: August 27/2010

Date: 3 SEPT 2010

For the RCMP:

R.R. Knecht, Deputy Commissioner
Deputy Commissioner North West Region
and Commanding Officer "K" Division

11140 109 Street Edmonton AB T5G 2T4



**Public Security Division** 

10th Floor, John E. Brownlee Building 10365 97 Street

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5J 3W7

Telephone: 780-427-3457 Fax: 780-427-5916

March 4, 2013

Ms. Joulia Whittleton Chief Administrative Officer Mackenzie County P.O. Box 640 Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0 MAR 13 2013

MACKENZIE COUNTY
FORT VERMILION OFFICE

Dear Ms. Whittleton:

## Re: Mackenzie County - Enhanced Policing Agreement - Extension Agreement

Thank you for your letter of November 8, 2012, seeking a reduction in the number of enhanced RCMP members serving Mackenzie County.

Enclosed are three (3) originals of a renewal Option 1 Enhanced Policing Agreement, providing for one additional member for community policing in La Crete, Alberta. Please provide for the signature of the authorized official (Reeve Bill Neufeld) and return two (2) originals to me at your earliest convenience. We will in turn provide a copy of the signed agreement to the Commanding Officer, RCMP "K" Division.

In addition, a Memorandum of Understanding will be required between the County and the RCMP, establishing the duties, responsibilities, and reporting expectations of the enhanced resources. The 2013/14 costs for enhanced policing are estimated at \$142,000 per officer.

If you have any questions relative to this agreement, please contact Patricia Harrish, Police Planning and Contract Coordinator, at (780) 427-7021.

Thank you for your commitment to providing for safe and secure communities.

Sincerely,

Director, Contract Policing & Policing Oversight

Attachments

cc: Deputy Commissioner D. N. McGowan

Commanding Officer RCMP "K" Division

Superintendent Ken Turner

OIC Operations Strategy Management, RCMP "K" Division

# ENHANCED POLICING AGREEMENT Option 1: One Municipality Subcontracts for Full-Time RCMP Member

THIS LETTER OF AGREEMENT is made the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.

## BETWEEN

## HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

as represented by the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General (hereinafter called "Alberta")

AND

## MACKENZIE COUNTY as represented by the Reeve (hereinafter called the "County")

WHEREAS the County desires Alberta to provide an enhanced level of provincial policing service, and

WHEREAS Alberta may enter into such an agreement with the County pursuant to Section 22(1) of the *Police Act* R.S.A. 2000, c.P-17.

The Parties agree as follows:

- 1. This Agreement replaces the Enhanced Policing Agreement between Alberta and the County, for the term July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2013.
- 2. At the request of the County and on the recommendation of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Alberta agrees to provide an enhanced level of police service by the Provincial Police Service consisting of one (1) RCMP member related to community policing in La Crete.
- 3. The RCMP members providing this enhanced level of police service to the County will report to and be under the supervision and authority of the respective Non Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Fort Vermilion RCMP Detachment.
- 4. The County shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Detachment Commanders to determine the duties and responsibilities of the RCMP members employed under this Agreement and shall consult with the Detachment Commander with respect to any issues arising out of the MOU. Any issues that cannot be resolved by the RCMP and the County shall be referred to Alberta's representative for resolution.

- 5. The County shall be charged at the same rates as are applied to other Provincial Police Service members. Alberta shall advise the County of the estimated quarterly cost of the provincial police service member assigned to policing duties in the County under this Agreement. The basis of these quarterly cost estimates shall be the per member cost as determined from the quarterly billings from Canada for the Provincial Police Service received on or about July 1<sup>st</sup>, October 1<sup>st</sup>, January 1<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>. An adjustment for the difference between the estimates provided and the actual costs of the member assigned to the County is to be provided on or about 120 days following the fiscal year ending March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- 6. The County shall make the quarterly payments referred to in Clause 5 directly to the Minister of Finance in the amounts determined in Clause 5 of this Agreement under the payment terms and conditions of the invoices received by the County from Alberta.
- 7. If the County fails to comply with the terms and conditions of payment referred to in Clause 5 and 6, Alberta may, at its discretion and with ninety (90) days written notice, terminate the enhanced police service referred to in Clause 2 by relocating any RCMP members providing services to the County pursuant to this Agreement and the County shall pay any and all expenses of relocation of the RCMP member within the Province of Alberta.
- 8. If the County terminates this Agreement, with such termination to be effective at any time prior to June 30, 2016, Alberta may, at its discretion, require the County to pay, in which case the County shall pay, any and all expenses of relocation to an Alberta location of any police member occupying a position pursuant to this Agreement. In the event termination notice is not received by Alberta one year in advance of date of proposed termination, and the member cannot be relocated by the termination date, Alberta may, at its discretion, require the County to pay, in which case the County shall pay, for the costs of the member until relocation of the members is effected. Invoicing of these costs shall be in the form consistent with that referred to in Clause 5 of this Agreement.
- 9. Alberta shall verify that the amounts of the invoices referred to in Clauses 5 and 6 of this Agreement are consistent with the per member costs for Provincial Police Service members and that the relocation costs referred to in Clause 7 and 8 are comparable to other Provincial Police Service member relocation expenses. Alberta shall resolve any inconsistencies with the RCMP before advising the County's representative of the County's cost relative to this Agreement.
- 10. Notwithstanding the signatory dates of the Parties, the term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2016.
- 11. This Agreement may be renewed or extended upon such terms as may be mutually agreed to at that time.

- 12. If at any time during the continuance of the Agreement, the parties deem it necessary or expedient to make any alteration or addition to this Agreement, they may do so by means of a written agreement between them. It is further agreed that all such alterations or additions shall be adhered to and have the same effect as if they had originally formed part of this Agreement.
- 13. If either party does not intend to renew or extend this Agreement as contemplated in Article 11, above, it shall provide one (1) year written notice to the other party prior to the expiry of this Agreement.
- 14. This Agreement may be terminated at any time, without cause, by either party, on one year written notice to the other.
- 15. Any notice or other communication made under this Agreement shall be deemed given to the other party if it is in writing and personally delivered; sent by prepaid registered post; or sent by facsimile transmission, addressed as follows:
  - a) The representative of Alberta is:

Mr. Clifton G. Purvis
Acting Assistant Deputy Minister
Public Security Division
Alberta Justice and Solicitor General
10<sup>th</sup> Floor, John E. Brownlee Building
10365 - 97<sup>th</sup> Street
Edmonton AB T5J 3W7
Facsimile (780) 427-5916

b) The representative of the County is:

Mr. Bill Neufeld Reeve Mackenzie County P.O. Box 640 Fort Vermilion, Alberta T0H 1N0 Facsimile (780) 927-4266

Either Party may change its representative or address by giving notice in the above manner.

- 16. This written instrument embodies the entire Agreement of the Parties and no other agreement, verbal or otherwise exists between the Parties.
- 17. This Agreement shall be interpreted according to the laws in force in the Province of Alberta.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties have executed this Agreement, each by its duly authorized representative, on the respective dates shown below.

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF ALBERTA, as represented by the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General

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**Acting Assistant Deputy Minister** 

Date

March 5 2013

Reeve Bill Neufeld

**Mackenzie County** 

March 27/13



Royal Canadian Mounted Police

11140 - 109 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5G 2T4

Mackenzie County Attention: CAO P.O. Box 640 Fort Vermillion, Alberta T0H 1N0



Security Classification **Unclassified** 

Your File

Our File

Date: April 10, 2013

Dear Sir or Madam,

## RE: Renewal Agreement for RCMP Detachment, La Crete, Alberta

Please find enclosed one (1) duly executed copy of the above noted agreement for your records.

I trust you will find all in good order. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

for / Karen S. McLean CLO

Senior Leasing Officer

**Procurement & Contracting Services** 

Phone: (780) 341-3032 Fax: (780) 454-4523

/ enclosure

## RENEWAL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made this The day of April, 2013.

#### BETWEEN:

#### MACKENZIE COUNTY

P.O. Box 640
Fort Vermillion, Alberta
(hereinafter called the "Landlord")

- and -

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN, in right of Canada, as represented by the Minister responsible for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (hereinafter called the "RCMP").

WHEREAS the Landlord is the owner of the land and premises thereon; described as follows:

A one story building containing administrative and operational space located at 9205 – 100<sup>th</sup> Street and further described as the La Crete Administration Building, in the Hamlet of La Crete, in the Province of Alberta (hereinafter referred to as the "Building").

AND WHEREAS the Lease that commenced on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of May 2010, (hereinafter referred to as the said "Lease") granted by the Landlord to the RCMP to occupy, use and enjoy being for all purposes of the said Lease, sufficient space, for the purpose of accommodating RCMP members providing policing services located at 9205 – 100<sup>th</sup> Street, in the Hamlet of La Crete, in the Province of Alberta.

**AND WHEREAS** the term of the said Lease is for twenty three (23) months commencing on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of May 2010 and terminating on the thirty first (31<sup>st</sup>) day of March 2012, all of which will be referenced hereto at length and more fully appear;

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the agreements contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. In accordance with Clause 1.4 of said Lease, the Landlord hereby grants to the RCMP the option to renew this Lease for two (2) further terms of five (5) years each upon the same terms and conditions herein, including rents.

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- 2. And whereas the RCMP wishes to exercise its first option to renew the said Lease from the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of April, 2012 and terminating on the thirty first (31<sup>st</sup>) day of March 2017 on all of the same terms and conditions and rents.
- 3. And whereas the Landlord and the RCMP hereby agree that the monthly rental amount for the said renewal period shall remain in the amount of One Thousand Ninety Seven Dollars and Thirty Seven Cents (\$1,097.37) each, payable in advance, on or before the first day of each month, plus applicable GST.
- 4. Except as amended herein, the said Lease is hereby ratified and confirmed.

## SIGNED & DELIVERED by:

For the Landlord:

Signature

Print Name

Title

I have authority to bind the Landlord

For the RCMP:

Signature

Karen S. McLEAN

Print Namenior Leasing Officer

Title

Her Majesty the Queen, in right of Canada, as represented by the Minister responsible for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

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# MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 26, 2013

Presented By: Joulia Whittleton, Chief Administrative Officer

Title: Information/Correspondence

## **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:**

The following items are attached for your information, review, and action if required.

- La Crete Recreation Board Meeting Minutes May 16, 2013
- Correspondence County of Grande Prairie No. 1 (Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum)
- Correspondence AUMA/AMSC (Benefits)
- Correspondence Service Alberta (FOIP Review)
- Correspondence Alberta Transportation (Request for Funding)
- Correspondence Friends of St Theresa Society (Request for Support)
- Correspondence Alberta Transportation (Bridge Funding)
- Mackenzie Library Board Meeting Minutes May 15, 2013
- Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance Newsletter May 2013
- Northern Alberta Elected Leaders Meeting Minutes May 24, 2013
- Northern Alberta Elected Leaders Letter to Minister of Transportation
- Correspondence Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food (Fort Vermilion Research Station)
- •

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

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

Author:	C. Gabriel	Review by:	CAO	

## LA CRETE RECREATION SOCIETY REGULAR MEETING MAY 16, 2013

## Northern Lights Recreation Centre La Crete, Alberta

Present: Abe Fehr, President

Simon Wiebe, Vice President

Darlene Bergen, Secretary-Treasurer

John Zacharias, Director Shawn Wieler, Director George Derksen, Director Wendy Morris, Director Peter F. Braun, MD Rep

Philip Doerksen, Arena Manager

Absent: Tracey Siemens, Director

George Fehr, Director

Call to Order: President Abe Fehr called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

## Approval of Agenda

- 1. Peter Braun moved to accept the agenda as amended.
  - 8.6 Mower for Arena/Ball Diamond
  - 8.7 Ball Diamonds
  - 8.8 Range Hood Fan Quote Discussion

**CARRIED** 

## Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

1. George Doerksen moved to accept the April 11, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED

## Business from the Minutes

1. Philip discussed tying into the school cistern for the outdoor rink at Buffalo Head Prairie with Dan Dyck.

## Review of Action Sheet

1. Reviewed items for information only.

## Financial Report

- 1. Reviewed financial reports.
- 2. Will be receiving payment from the County in July.
- 3. The ATM machine had very high usage the last two months.
- 4. Shawn Wieler moved to accept the Financial Report as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## Manager's Report – Philip Doerksen

- 1. Manager's Report was reviewed for information.
- 2. Philip will look into a surveillance system for the ball diamonds and tennis court.
- 3. Philip attended an arena conference in Canmore. Arena fees and wages are very low in comparison to others in the province.
- 4. Have had a few applicants for each of the positions at the arena.
- 5. Grass is starting to come in well at the Ball Diamonds. Have 10 teams signed up for the league.
- 6. Wendy Morris moved to accept the Manager's Report as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### **New Business**

- 8.1 School Usage Agreement Discussion tabled to next meeting.
- 8.2 School Use of Arena Report of Concerns Discussion tabled to next meeting.
- 8.3 Arena Staff Had a few inquiries for both positions. Will try to hire someone to help with summer maintenance and continue to advertise for a year round position.
- 8.5 Amendment to Bylaws The change to bylaw 13 has been filed and the year-end has been changed to June 30.
- 8.6 Mower for Arena/Ball Diamond Discussion on buying a mower to mow the ball diamonds when needed. The grass has not been cut yet this year by the County. The ball league has already started and the grounds are in serious need of mowing. This is an issue every year. Will try to work with the County to see if a mower is available for Philip to use.
- 8.7 Ball Diamonds Washrooms and bleachers were moved there today.
- 8.8 Range Hood Fan Quote Discussion have a quote for a new range hood fan for the kitchen. Philip will send the quote and details to the County Finance Committee for review.

Darlene Bergen moved to submit a letter and quote to the Mackenzie County for consideration as the capital project Range Hood Fan Quote is hirer than was anticipated.

**CARRIED** 

8.4 Wage Review – Abe, Simon and Philip had a wage review discussion. Discussion was held on changing his position to be salaried.

Simon Wiebe moved to go in camera at 7:11 p.m.

John Zacharias moved to go out of camera at 7:40 p.m.

Darlene Bergen moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 13, 2013



## **COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE No. 1**

Alberta, Canada

May 30, 2013

Reeve Bill Neufeld MacKenzie County Box 640 Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Dear Reeve Neufeld:

I am writing you today given your community's past support for the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum.

With funding support from four municipalities, the City of Grande Prairie, M.D. of Greenview, the Town of Wembley and the County of Grande Prairie, the building phase of the museum is moving forward and we hope to break ground in June 2013 with an expected completion date of late 2014.

While the building phase is funded, we continue to explore options to complete the interior finishes and displays in the same time frame. The cost of that work is estimated to be six million dollars.

We believe a potential funding source for the interior finishes and displays is the recently announced Provincial Regional Collaboration Grant. Once constructed, the museum will raise the profile of the entire Peace Country and attract significant tourism dollars to the region, benefitting all our communities.

At this time, we are asking your Council to consider providing us a letter of support for our application to the Provincial Regional Collaboration Grant. In our application to the Province of Alberta, we will request consideration for either a lump sum or contributions over a period of years.

Should you require further information on the project, please don't hesitate to call either myself (780-814-3121) or Deputy Reeve Ross Sutherland (780-513-5385).

We do ask for a prompt reply so we may forward our application in a timely manner.

Respectfully,

Leanne Beaupre

Reeve

LB/ch

cc: Council File

Ross Sutherland, Deputy Reeve, County of Grande Prairie Chair, River of Death and Discovery Dinosaur Museum Society



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June 6, 2013

Ms. Joulia Whittleton Chief Administrative Officer Mackenzie County PO Box 640 Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Dear Ms. Whittleton:



As a valued member of AUMA, you have ownership in AMSC services including AMSC Benefits.

We are proud to report that AMSC Benefits offers an unparalleled suite of value-added free services. Please see the attached brochure to review them.

AMSC Benefits has supported more than 400 municipalities and municipally related non-profit organizations for more than 40 years. When you are ready to go to market for employee benefits, we hope you will consider these facts about AUMA's wholly-owned subsidiary AMSC Benefits:

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- AMSC has a team of qualified benefits services consultants who are dedicated to you and committed to ensuring you receive outstanding service. AMSC has consistently received over 95% customer satisfaction ratings by members.
- Finally AMSC understands the unique needs of municipalities and municipally-related organizations because we live them every day.

Thank you for your membership in AUMA. It would be our pleasure to show you how AMSC Benefits and AMSC can assist in making that membership even more valuable.

If you have any questions or require additional information on the group benefits plans offered by AMSC, please contact Paul Mizzi at 310-AUMA, Ext. 4545 or at pmizzi@auma.ca.

Yours truly,

John McGowan AUMA/AMSC CEO

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Office of the Associate Minister of Accountability, Transparency & Transformation MLA, Fort McMurray - Conklin

Joulia Whittleton CAO Mackenzie County PO Box 640 Fort Vermilion, AB TOH 1N0

Dear Ms. Whittleton:



I am pleased to advise that the Government of Alberta is moving forward with a review of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act as part of the larger mandate to enhance accountability, transparency and transformation in the provincial government. The intent of the review is to meet expectations for electronic and immediate access to information while ensuring Albertan's personal information remains protected.

As part of this process, I will be consulting with Albertans to help ensure the FOIP Act continues to meet evolving stakeholder needs. Feedback from the consultation will help develop recommendations for transformational changes to this legislation.

There are multiple ways to participate in the consultation. From June 14 - 26, 2013, I will be holding consultation sessions with the Municipal, Academic, School and Health Services (MASH) sectors to obtain feedback on potential amendments to this legislation. Meetings will take place from 2:00-4:30 p.m. at the following locations:

•	Fort McMurray -	June 14, 2013	•	Calgary -	June 20, 2013
•	Red Deer -	June 17, 2013	•	Lloydminster -	June 24, 2013
•	Medicine Hat -	June 18, 2013	•	Edmonton -	June 25, 2013
•	Lethbridge -	June 19, 2013	•	Grande Prairie -	June 26, 2013

For those who are not able to participate in face-to-face meetings, a discussion paper will be made available from June 13, 2013 until July 31, 2013 on the Service Alberta website at <a href="https://www.servicealberta.ca">www.servicealberta.ca</a>.

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AR58903

June 7, 2013

Mr. Bill Neufeld Reeve Mackenzie County P.O. Box 640 Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Dear Reeve Neufeld:

Premier Alison Redford forwarded your letter of April 24, 2013 regarding your request for funding for projects on Highway 88 and Zama City Access. As Minister of Transportation, I am able to provide the following information.

I appreciate the county's desire for infrastructure that promotes economic prosperity within your area. Alberta Transportation remains committed to improving the flow of goods and services within the province.

Budget 2013 required some tough decisions. As such, Alberta Transportation is not in a position to make any further commitments to these projects at this time. Our previous offer of gravel from our gravel pits toward the base and paving of the Highway 88 connector still stands.

Thank you for taking the time to write about your concerns.

Sincerely,

Ric McIver Minister

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CC:

Honourable Alison M. Redford, QC, Premier Honourable Frank Oberle, MLA Peace River



# Friends of St Theresa Society

Fort Vermilion, AB Box 550, TON 1NO

June 18, 2013

Bill Neufeld, Reeve Mackenzie County 4511-46th Ave Fort Vermilion, AB TOH 1N0

### RE: Friends of St. Theresa Society Request for Support & Unity

Dear Reeve Neufeld:

Thank you for giving Friends of St. Theresa Society ('FOST') an audience last week during your regular council meeting. It is FOST's 'vision' that we further strengthen our unity with your Council in addressing health issues in our County.

FOST requests support from the Mackenzie County in the form of FOST being included as a 'cc' on all future letters your County may write to Alberta Health Services and/or Alberta Health, or amongst neighbouring municipalities. FOST will continue to 'cc' the Mackenzie County on our communications as being plugged in to each other's issues aligns us in a way that will foster trust and show the big health engines down south a unified front from the north. I understand our request is not the normal protocol for a higher level of governance to engage in, however in the spirit of collaboration I invite you to consider our request. Secondly, FOST also invites your council to formally assign one of your councillors to our Society so as to strengthen our relationship and provide municipal leadership/influence to our board.

I am willing to sit down and discuss this further with you. Otherwise I look forward to your response to FOST's request and to the next time we meet on a health topic.

Sincerely,

Martin Stanners, President Friends of St. Theresa Society



AR58775

June 5, 2013

Mr. Bill Neufeld Reeve Mackenzie County P.O. Box 640 Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Dear Reeve Neufeld:

I am pleased to confirm to your council that government funding has been previously approved by Alberta Transportation's regional office to cover eligible costs for the local road bridge project on the attached list.

My colleagues, Honourable Frank Oberle, MLA for Peace River, Pearl Calahasen, MLA for Lesser Slave Lake, and I are very supportive of your request for funding for this project. I trust your bridge project will improve the infrastructure in Mackenzie County.

If you have any questions regarding the status of the approved project, please contact Alberta Transportation's regional office.

Sincerely,

Ric McIver Minister

Attachment

cc:

Honourable Frank Oberle, MLA Peace River Pearl Calahasen, MLA Lesser Slave Lake





# Projects Approved in 2012/13 Under the Delegation of Authority for the Period January 23, 2013 - March 31, 2013

Municipality	<b>Grant Program</b>	Grant Program Component	Grant Description	Grant Amount
Ct Mackenzie	Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program	Minor Projects < \$500k - Local Road Bridge Component	repair 76506	\$85,000
				Sum: \$85,000

# Mackenzie County Library Board (MCLB) May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Board Meeting Minutes Fort Vermilion Library Fort Vermilion, Alberta

Present: Lisa Wardley(teleconference), Wally Schroeder, La Dawn Dachuk, Beth Kappelar,

Lorraine Peters, Lucille Labrecque, Susan McNeil, Lorna Joch.

Regrets:: John Driedger

La Crete Library Society: Joyce Wieler, Kathy Janzen, Tina Janzen.

Fort Vermilion Library Society: Marilyn Eek, Corrine Ward, Debbie Bueckert.

1.0 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Beth Kappelar at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2.0 Approval of Agenda:

MOTION #2013-03-01 Lorraine Peters moved the approval of the agenda as printed.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3.0 Approval of the Minutes:

MOTION #2013-03-02 La Dawn Dachuk moved the approval of the Feb 11/13 minutes as presented. CARRIED

#### 4.0 Review of Action Items:

The action items of the previous MCLB meeting will be reviewed at the June 17/13 meeting.

#### **5.0** Tabling Motion:

**MOTION #2013-03-03** Lucille Labrecque moved that all agenda items except the following 3; PLS, MCLB 2012 Audited Financial Statements, and Correspondence be tabled to the June 17/13 meeting. **CARRIED** 

#### 6.0 Peace Library System (PLS):

- On March 27/13 representatives from the Peace Library System (Linda Duplessis and Veronica Bliska) and Ken Feser of Municipal Affairs met with the County Council. They offered the Council the following two options of service:

#### 1) Full County PLS Membership (10,927 residents)

County Contribution (\$5.30 per capita) \$57,913.10

MCLB Contribution (\$2.75 per capita) \$30,049.25 (for book buying etc)

Provincial Contribution (\$4.60 per capita) \$50,264.20

#### Total cost of full membership with the PLS \$138,226.55

Note: When the book buying amount is subtracted, PLS would receive \$108,177.30 for operations.

Total cost to the County when including the County library operating costs: \$186,756.00 + \$57,913.10 = \$244,669.10

#### 2) Partial County PLS Membership (Wards 5,6,7,8,9 or 3,635 residents)

County Contribution (\$5.30 per capita) \$19,265.50

MCLB Contribution (\$2.75 per capita) \$9,996.25 (for book buying etc)

Provincial Contribution (\$4.60 per capita) \$16,721.00 **Total cost of partial membership with PLS** \$45,982.75

Note: When the book buying amount is subtracted, PLS would receive \$35.986.50 for operations.

Total cost to the County when including the County library operating costs: \$186,756.00+ \$19,265.50 = \$206,021.50

- MCLB and the 3 library Societies discussed the benefits, challenges and funding issues of the following 4 options:
  - a) Full PLS membership
  - b) Partial PLS membership
  - c) Trying to keep the current contract PLS has with the Fort Vermilion Library
  - d) Going it alone without PLS
- Companies such as Libraryideas can offer similar services as the PLS for a fee
- The 3 County Libraries shared their library usage data for all the services they provide.
- The County Council has asked MCLB to research all options available, the cost of each and make recommendations to them this fall as to which option to choose.
- The 3 Societies and MCLB will study all the data and the 4 options and will discuss it further at the June 17/13 meeting. ...2

7.0	2012 MCLB Audited Financial Statements: MOTION #2013-03-04 Lorraine Peters/Wally Schroeder moved to approve the 2012 MCLB Audited Financial			
	Statements as presented.	CARRIED		
8.0	Correspondence: - Work Search Basics - Senior's Week Posters MOTION #2013-03-05 La Dawn Dachuk moved to accept the correspondence for information.	CARRIED		
9.0 In	MOTION #2013-03-06 La Dawn Dachuk moved to go in camera at 8:40 p.m. MOTION #2013-03-07 La Dawn Dachuk moved to come out of in camera at 9:20 p.m.	CARRIED CARRIED		
10.0	<b>Next Meeting Date and Location:</b> Fort Vermilion Library June 17/13 at 7:00 p.m.			
11.0	Adjournment: MOTION # 2013-03-08 Lorraine Peters moved the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.	CARRIED		
These	e minutes were adopted this 17 <sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013:			
	Beth Kappelar, Chair			



May 2013

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Issue #5



# Flow of the Peace "Current Eddies"



## **Upcoming Dates & Events**

Information Session & Display—June 12, 2013 at 3-5 pm Grande Cache Mall

#### What Flows

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#### What is a Watershed?

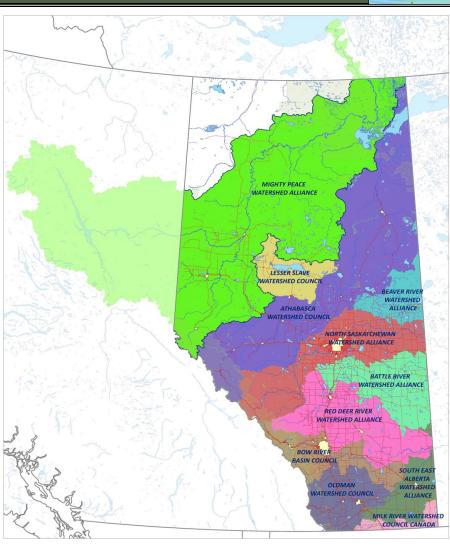
The term watershed refers to the geographic boundaries of all land that drains to a particular water body along with its ecosystem. A watershed includes groundwater aquifers that discharge to and receive discharge from streams, wetlands, ponds and lakes.

#### VISION

The Peace is a healthy, sustainable watershed that supports our social, environmental and economic objectives.

#### MISSION

To promote watershed excellence, the Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance will monitor cumulative effects from land use practices, industry and other activities in the watershed and work to address issues through science, education, communication, policy and by supporting watershed stewardship.



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\*Connected to all stakeholders across the watershed area.

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# New Additions-New Board Members



## Ian Daisley-Forestry

Ian Daisley is representing the Alberta Forest Products Association on the MPWA. As a Professional Forester he has worked for Alberta Newsprint Company in Whitecourt for the past 10 years. Mostly he supervises forestry operations, but more recently has worked in a role where he is in

charge of the planning, silviculture and certification for the company.



# Peter Frixel- Tourism/fisheries/ Recreation

Peter established a homestead in Clear Hills County 35 years ago. He is now retired from agricultural financing and continues to operate a small sawmill making furniture from his woodlot. He feels indus-

try and Government can do much more in the way of value added products, forest sustainability, and recreation. He is also a Councillor for Clear Hills County, and active with the Mighty Peace Tourism Association.

## Sharon Nelson—Rural Municipality



Sharon Nelson has lived in the community for over 50 years. Don and Sharon purchased their current farm northeast of Clairmont in 1977 and have raised a large family within the community. They continue to operate a mixed farm.

They built a grocery/gas bar and post office in 1988, and have provided opportunities for employment in this community ever since. She is currently involved in Bear Lake Watershed Society and Peace Airshed Zone Association (PAZA). Since 2007 as Councillor she has worked diligently on behalf of Division 2 and the County of Grande Prairie.



#### Jamie Rich—Public Member-at-Large

I was born and raised in High Prairie, Alberta. I grew up along the banks of the Heart River next to Winagami Lake Wildland Park. Interested in the outdoors and forested areas around High Prairie from a young age, I decided to pursue a degree in Forest Management at the University of Alberta. Upon graduation. I worked

in the forestry industry in Alberta and Saskatchewan until returning to the Peace Country in 2010 to work as a project manager with Ruskin Construction in Grande Prairie. In my current role I manage the construction of bridges and crossings throughout western Canada for oil and gas, forestry, rail and government sectors. I enjoy camping, hunting and fishing in my spare time.



#### Norm Duval—Watershed Stewardship

I am 44 years old and live on an acreage south of Peace River. I was born and raised in the hamlet of Jean-Cote, then spent 2 years in Grande Prairie at the GPRC. With the exception of going to SAIT for 1 year and year in Fort McMurray, I have lived in the Peace Country my whole life. My wife's name is Michelle,

and I have a son, Mathieu, who is 19 and a daughter, Josee, who is 17 years old. I worked for Peace River Pulp for 18 years, and now I have been with Shell Peace River Complex for 4 years. I grew up on a small farm and learned some very valuable skills that have come in handy for my Power Engineering career.

Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance c/o Rhonda Clarke-Gauthier, Executive Director P.O. Box 217 McLennan, Alberta T0H 2L0 Phone: 780-324-3355 Fax: 780-324-3377 E-mail: info@mightypeacewatershedalliance.org www.mightypeacewatershedalliance.org And NEW! "like" us on Facebook!

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# From the Chairman by Robert Cameron

By the time you read this I hope that the serious consequences that come from interrupting the smallest capillary of water's movement on the landscape in your neighbourhood have subsided - flood waters that is! The sudden jump from early spring to mid-summer temperatures have melted the last vestiges of snow and the water not soaking into the unfrozen soil is running across the landscape and encountering the lovely dams we've constructed called roads.

We've generally installed culverts that can't handle the volumes of sudden runoff from fast snowmelt or heavy rainfalls. There is a planning tool called wetted areas mapping now available that show the finest capillary of water on the landscape and how the area will drain to a particular culvert or stream crossing so that we can better size the culverts to handle all but the most extreme events. This tool based on LIDAR (laser based remote sensing technology) is being used widely in forest planning because of the very detailed resolution it provides. Stay tuned for further explanation and examples of it's use in the Peace River watershed.

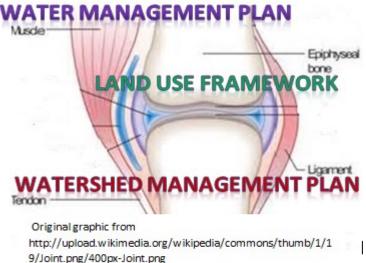


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There are different policies important for watershed management in Alberta. There are Land Use Frameworks, Water Management Plans and **Watershed** Management Plans, but how are they related? These are all interconnected and one way of thinking about it is to compare it to the body. The Land Use Framework is like a skeleton because it provides structure, the **Watershed** Management Plan is like ligaments and tendons because it brings all the parts together and a Water Management Plan is one of the muscles which perform a specific task. And all need to work together to function and be effective.

The Land Use Framework is an initiative of the Government of Alberta to connect all planning on the landscape together and take into account cumulative effects. Cumulative effects are the what happens as result of all things that are happening in our part of the world.



A Water Management Plan is specific to one body of water (eg., lake or river) and generally focuses on water quantity. This plan can be submitted to the government (falls under the *Water Act*), then the plan must be consulted when issuing water licenses, permits, approvals or transfers.

As a designated **Watershed** Planning and Advisory Council, the Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance will produce a **Watershed** Management Plan. This plan will consider all factors that affect **watershed** health. This plan acts on the fact that the quality and quantity of water and the health of the ecosystem are inextricably tied to the land from which the water flows and attempts to manage human impacts on this defined unit. Watershed Management Plans fall under the Government of Alberta's *Water for Life* strategy, but

there are many pieces of relevant legislation including the *Municipal Government Act*, the *Alberta Land Stewardship Act* and the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act*. A **Watershed** Management Plan connects many things.

# Clearhills Watershed Initiative by Sherri Larsen

The Clear Hills Watershed Initiative is a grassroots, non-profit watershed stewardship group that operates within the borders of the Clear Hills County. This is a large area (15,113 sq. km) consisting of many sub-watersheds, all of which eventually drain to the Peace River basin. We began in Jan. 2007 with the goal - to learn and understand the basic components of our watershed and its interaction with other aspects of our environment for the betterment of our community and to gain an appreciation of our natural habitat that surrounds us.

Over the past five years, our group has accomplished this original goal through networking with organizations such as, Alberta Stewardship Network, Ducks Unlimited, Cows & Fish, Fish & Wildlife, DFO and many others at workshops, seminars and field trips. We have created a State of the Watershed Report, a five year data-base of water quality monitoring and a website <a href="www.clearhillswatershed.com">www.clearhillswatershed.com</a>. Annually we have a booth at the local trade fair, participate in AWQA days, school contests and field trips with our area schools and we just completed our fifth annual community supper where we have guest speakers in as well as share collected information with the public. Currently, we are working on a signage project for Many Islands Campground as well as a 'Naming Creeks & Streams' historical project. Future projects include doing a wetlands and riparian restoration project in conjunction with Peace Country Beef & Forage.

Our mission is – to protect, preserve and improve water quality & quantity throughout the county through education, good water practices & water testing.

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# Summary of AGM Presentation by Lorne Fitch

The presentation made 5 key points that form the "mighty truths", which should govern our approach to the world and to watersheds. First, "what goes around comes around." In the presentation he made the point that this principle is a measure of the collective will of communities, industry and government to work in the broad public interest for the Peace watershed and for Albertans. His second point emphasized that "Everything is Connected" saying that we as Albertans have a need to remove the barriers and silos to allow a system approach to land, air, water, resource allocation and land use. He states that we need to reduce the tendency to work in isolation, separating land from water, fish from timber and instead should join things together and work jointly with them. His third item "Everything is Additive" is that idea that nothing we do is insolation, but the past affects the present, as our actions affect our neighbours. Cumulative effects is science's means of interpreting this. "Diversity equals stability" is his fourth statement about the need to identify your particular assets and leverage them: Our asset is diversity. Like Alberta's assets aren't just singly farming, cattle, oil or lumber, but all of them together with our breathable air, clean water productive soil and abundant biodiversity educated and healthy population that provides our strength. Once these are lost, we lose our foundation. Fifth and final point "We humans are in the Loop" states that nothing happens in environmental management until people agree to behave in ways that recognize the effects of their actions. The full presentation can be found on our website.

# From the Executive Director's Desk! By Rhonda Clarke-Gauthier

The Mighty Peace Watershed Alliance has just passed its 2 year anniversary! The organization was established March 2011 by interested stakeholders and then designated as the Watershed Planning and Advisory Council (WPAC) for the Alberta portion of the Peace and Slave Rivers. If you wish to see what we have been doing in those 2 years, please visit our website to find all previous newsletters and annual reports. You can also find the reports from the projects we have completed throughout that time.

The future holds much work for us as we move forward to begin the "State of Watershed" (SOW) assessment report. This will be a snapshot of the condition and situations in which we currently find the watershed. This report will provide the basis for our further work of producing an Integrated Watershed Management Plan (IWMP). We have collected a great deal of information from science sources and human experience and will now work

towards putting the information into a clear, concise format. Also, the information will be assessed by using a set group of indicators. The end of June will find the board of directors participating in a facilitated workshop to narrow down the watershed indicators which the MPWA will use for their State of Watershed report. If you are interested in seeing what these indicators may include, you can check out the document "Guide to Reporting Common Indicators Used in State of the Watershed Report", which is posted on our website under the "links" tab.

If you or others you know have information that you feel would be important to the work of the MPWA and the upcoming State of Watershed report, please get in contact with us as soon as possible..

Have A Wonderful Summer!

Board Members						
Government	Industry	Non-Governmental Organizations	Aboriginal Communities			
Federal-Transboundary Relations -Abdi Siad-Omar	Agriculture -Shelleen Gerbig	Conservation/Environment -Bob Cameron	Métis Nation of Alberta -Willard Roe			
Provincial -John Zylstra	Forestry -lan Daisley	Watershed Stewardship -Norm Duval	Metis Settlement General Council -Alden Armstrong			
Large Urban -Dan Wong	Oil & Gas -Wayne Kooy	Research/Education -Jean-Marie Sobze	Upper Watershed First Nation -Vacant			
Small Urban -Geoff Milligan	Utilities -Ashley Parker	Public Member-at- Large ( <b>2</b> ) -Richard Keillor -Jaime Rich	Middle Watershed First Nation -Vacant			
Rural Municipality -Sharon Nelson	Mining -Vacant	Tourism/Fisheries/ Recreation -Peter Frixel	Lower Watershed First Nation -Jim Webb			



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# **MINUTES** NORTHERN ALBERTA ELECTED LEADERS (NAEL) Friday, May 24, 2013 Manning, AB

#### **Attendees**

Veronica Bliska, Reeve, Municipal District of Peace No. 135 Sunni-Jeanne Walker, Mayor, Town of Manning Leanne Beaupre, Reeve, County of Grande Prairie No. 1 Bill Rogan, County Administrator, County of Grande Prairie No. 1 Cheryl Anderson, Deputy Reeve, County of Northern Lights Bill Neufeld, Reeve, Mackenzie County Joulia Whittleton, CAO, Mackenzie County Carolyn Kolebaba, Reeve, Northern Sunrise County Peter Thomas, CAO, Northern Sunrise County Margaret Tardif, Mayor, Town of Falher Nels Nelson, Mayor, Town of Grimshaw Peter Ernst, Mayor, Town of High Level Dean Krause, CAO, Town of High Level Klaus Noruschat, Mayor, Village of Nampa Darlene Cardinal, Deputy Reeve, Northern Sunrise County Linda Cox, Mayor, Town of High Prairie Larry Davidson, CAO, Town of Fairview Gerald Loewen, CAO, Town of Manning Ron Longtin, Mayor, Village of Berwyn Brian Allen, CAO, Town of Grimshaw Helen Rice, Councillor, City of Grande Prairie on behalf of Mayor Given Olive Toews, CAO, Village of Berwyn Theresa Van Oort, CAO, County of Northern Lights Ken Titford, Reeve, Saddle Hills County Anne Grayson, Councillor, Town of Fairview

## Advisory/Administration

Audrey DeWit, Manager of Program Coordination, Northern Alberta Development Council Chelsea Ferguson, Acting Executive and Council Assistant

#### Guests

Tom Burton, Director District 4, AAMDC Rodney Schmidt, Director of Protective Services/Fire Chief, Town of High Level Lance Bushie, Director of Protective Services/Fire Chief, Town of Peace River Brian Brake, Executive Director, Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum



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#### Welcome

Veronica Bliska, Vice-chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. Sunni-Jeanne Walker, Mayor of Manning, welcomed NAEL members to the Town of Manning.

Introductions were made.

#### Additions to and approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

Discussion on length of Chair and Vice-chair terms.

It was **MOVED** by Ron Longtin **THAT** the agenda be adopted as amended.

#### **CARRIED**

#### **Adoption of Minutes**

It was MOVED by Bill Neufeld THAT the minutes of the Grande Prairie, July 27, 2012 meeting be approved.

#### **CARRIED**

#### **NAEL Yearly Dues**

Invoice update: Approximately 95% of 2013 invoices have been paid. The NAEL trust account continues to be maintained by the City of Grande Prairie.

#### **Chair and Vice-chair term Length**

Discussion was had on terms of service for chair and vice-chairs. The members agreed to leave at one year because of upcoming municipal elections next year.

#### **Nominations**

Audrey DeWit, **OPENED** Nominations for Chair.

Nels Nelson NOMINATED Veronika Bliska, Reeve, Municipal District of Peace No. 135. Nomination **ACCEPTED** by Veronika Bliska.

It was **MOTIONED** by Helen Rice that nominations cease.

New NAEL Chair is Veronika Bliska, Reeve, Municipal District of Peace No. 135.

Audrey DeWit, **OPENED** Nominations for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair.

Sunni-Jeanne Walker NOMINATED Peter Ernst, Mayor, Town of High Level. Nomination ACCEPTED by Peter Ernst.

It was **MOTIONED** by Carolyn Kolebaba that nominations cease.



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New Vice-chair is Peter Ernst, Mayor, Town of High Level

Presentation: Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum

Leanne Beaupre, Reeve, County of Grande Prairie No. 1

Mr. Brian Brake, Executive Director

Leanne Beaupre starts the presentation with a request that the townships and counties of NAEL send letter of support to the museum project. Leanne expresses that the letters of support may help them receive much needed funding. Brian Brake's presentation included where the museum project is to date. Brian spoke to the next phases of the project and anticipated time frames, as well marketing, sales and fundraising.

## Highway 35: Sunnie-Jeanne Walker

Sunnie-Jeanne Walker made a **MOTION** to have NAEL submit a letter to the Minister of Transportation, cc' Premier, regarding the condition of our Northern highway infrastructure stating that if the Province intends to continue to develop resources in the North there must be a comparable amount of work done to maintain highway infrastructure.

#### **CARRIED**

After voting, the Committee agreed to the MOTION, NAEL staff will draft the letter, send to Chair for approval. Once approved NAEL staff will forward the letter to all members for recognition of support. After all members have reviewed and decided on supporting the letter, the letter will be sent to the Minister of Transportation.

**Presentation:** Peace Regional Fire & Search and Rescue (SAR) Training Proposal and Regional Incident Management

Rodney Schmidt, Director of Protective Services/Fire Chief, Town of High Level Lance Bushie, Director of Protective Services/Fire Chief, Town of Peace River

Rodney Schmidt and Lance Bushie made a presentation on the Peace Regional Fire & Search and Rescue Training Proposal and Regional Incident Management. The training proposal recommends standardized training processes for all Fire Rescue personal in Northern Alberta communities. The proposal includes a mobile training facility for use in training small community/volunteer fire departments. The Regional Incident Management presentation explained where the government of Alberta would like to go with developing teams that respond to incidents in Northern Alberta and the rest of the province. This management concept was developed in California, and creates a streamline to the organization and effectiveness when dealing with incidents that involve communities such as flooding, fire etc. ICS courses: <a href="http://www.nait.ca/79760.htm">http://www.nait.ca/79760.htm</a>

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#### **NAEL Roundtable**

#### Guest

Tom Burton, AAMDC representative, asked if he could receive a copy of the meeting minutes. Question was called and found in favour.

#### Manning

- Budget has been passed.
- Redoing the reservoir.
- Summer project will begin soon.
- Open house for Municipal days.
- Town looking into fluoride issues, currently in the draft stage.
- Fixing highway 35, the bridge area is slumping and the Supernet line is in that area, that Supernet line provides service north to the boarder.

#### **Northern Sunrise County**

Highway 2 bridge needs to get fixed, especially with Judea Hill's condition. Carolyn asks for verbal support from members with their day to day dealings.

#### **Grande Prairie**

- Municipal government day June 11, 2013, theme is Municipal Excellence.
- 100 birthday next year, will plan 100 days of activities.
- Won one of the best work places in Alberta
- Regular summer road work on-going.

#### **Mackenzie County**

- SRD sold public land for \$35 million.
- Resource roads and bridge grants are a hardship for them.
- Possibility for a new water service for the area.
- County asking for 80km of road infrastructure, which would include bridges but not drainages.
- Agricultural trade show on August 9 & 10, 2013.
- Fort Vermilion is turning 225 years old this year, golf tournament to be held for the anniversary.

#### **County of Grande Prairie**

- Municipal days, involve 3 nights during the month of June for staff BBQ.
- Petition filed May 24, 2013, rate payers are asking that money not be used for the museum project.
- Sports-plex opened in January 2013, the official grand opening will be in September 2013.

#### **Falher**

- 10 percent of residence petitioning crude oil transport, a public hearing will be held on Monday May 27, 2013.
- Now recording public hearings as rate payers were upset that minutes did not reflect exactly what was said.

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# **Northern Alberta Elected Leaders**

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- Community group will be working on 55+ housing this summer.
- Honey festival on June 21 & 22, 2013

#### **High Level**

- Housing amalgamation between High Level and Mackenzie will be completed by the end of the year.
- Regional collaboration study will be completed by the end of the year.
- Ainsworth to open by end of June 2013.

#### **County of Northern Lights**

- Funding for water for life.
- Rebuilding/new roads this year.

#### Nampa

- New Town office. Joint building, it will hold other municipal offices as well, like the museum.
- The only railroad water tank left in Alberta and Canada will be reconstructed in Nampa.
- Richardson grain finished their expansion project.
- Continuous street and sidewalk repair over the summer.
- The CAO will semi-retire and the 2<sup>nd</sup> in command CAO will become the main full-time CAO.

#### Grimshaw

- Accepting tenders for redoing water reservoirs.
- Town is talking about the possibilities of Rhino Snot.
- Redoing hydrants and valves in the water system.
- Some roads have water problems underneath them, these issues will be addressed this summer.
- Subdivision addition development.
- Municipal government day in Grimshaw will be an Open House.
- New school being built, the building will hold multiple municipal offices.
- Designated Supportive Living housing is ready and being used in Grimshaw.

#### **Municipal District of Peace No. 135**

- Bridge funding removed, therefore MD of Peace will continue with one bridge project.
- Collaboration between MD of Peace and Northern Lights for well.
- Trying to get an office renovation, see what happens after the election.

## **Saddle Hills County**

- Saddle Hills County has hired a new CAO.
- Grand opening of the new county office is on June 26, 2013. Ken extends a verbal invitation to all members and states that invitations are in the mail.

#### Berwyn

- Rhino Snot pilot project (http://envirotac.com/) for the village roads.

#### **Fairview**



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- Rhino Snot project as well.
- New Fire Hall is completed.
- \$1.2 million water treatment upgrade.
- Community consultation on the use of fluoride in water supply.
- New community café sessions held by the town, they are very well attended.
- Future project, new public works building, service road for commercial opportunities.
- Downtown revitalization project completed.

### **Northern Sunrise County**

- Their budget is focused on recreation in the county and Cadotte Lake
- St. Isidore cultural centre is getting an expansion.
- Water extension from Little Buffalo to Martin Lake.
- Pow Wow June 8-10, 2013

## **High Prairie**

- New Mayor, Linda Cox started in January 2013.
- Progressing with \$7 million hospital.
- Council meetings are now televised on the local channel.

#### **Next meeting**

### Location

Friday September 20, 2013. Saddle Hills County.

#### **Agenda**

- **Regional Transportation Presenters**
- Amendments for Municipal Government Act presentation with Trent McLaughlin
- Nominations and Vote for Vice-Chair (Sunnie-Jeanne Walker's term ends)
- Update on NAEL Highway Letter

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



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(date)

Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Transportation 425 Legislature Building 10800-97 Avenue NW Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6

Dear Minister McIver,

On behalf of the Northern Alberta Elected Leaders (NAEL), please accept this letter as a call of concern for Northern Alberta highways. NAEL members include municipalities, First Nations and Metis Settlements in North Western Alberta. Its purpose is to improve the understanding of member issues that affect our region and, where appropriate, to forward government issues that affect Northern Alberta.

During the May 24, 2013 NAEL meeting, the members discussed the conditions of Northern Alberta highways. It was agreed that further investment should be a priority for these highways. If the North is to continue to develop resources, which make a significant contribution to the Alberta economy in the North, there must be a comparable amount of work done to maintain highway infrastructure.

The NAEL members recognize revenue shortfall, however, the members would like to see a priority commitment to maintain safe and reliable road surfaces for Alberta's prominent resource area.

NAEL would be pleased to discuss options of further investment in existing northern transportation infrastructure to service our economic growth and resulting pressure on highways.

Sincerely,

Veronica Bliska, NAEL Chair

Reeve of Municipal District of Peace No. 135

Cc: Premier Alison Redford, Government of Alberta

Enclosure

# Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food



Ministre de l'Agriculture et de l'Agroalimentaire

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Quote: 188288

Mr. Bill Neufeld Reeve Mackenzie County PO Box 640 Fort Vermilion, Alberta T0H 1N0

Dear Mr. Neufeld:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Fort Vermilion Research Farm. I appreciate receiving an update on your interest in maintaining a working partnership with the Mackenzie Applied Research Association (MARA), and I commend your ongoing leadership on behalf of those in your community who are interested in maintaining and enhancing agricultural research activities in Northern Alberta.

While Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada has terminated its research and development program at the Fort Vermilion Research Farm, it remains very supportive of local organizations, such as MARA, that will be called upon to play a more active role in continuing critical agricultural research in Northern Alberta.

I can assure you that the Mackenzie County expression of interest will receive full consideration within the parameters of the Government of Canada's real property management framework. I encourage the County to continue its dialogue with Mr. Michel Falardeau, Director of Real Property and Building Operations, who is responsible for managing the disposal process. Mr. Falardeau can be reached at 613-759-6107 or by email at michel.falardeau@agr.gc.ca.

I appreciate your patience as we implement some of the very difficult decisions that the Government of Canada has had to make to support the continued resiliency of the Canadian economy.

I trust that this information is of assistance to you. Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Gerry Ritz, PC, MP



