

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, November 29, 2022
10:00 a.m.**

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

PRESENT:

Josh Knelsen	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Jacque Bateman	Councillor
Peter F. Braun	Councillor
Cameron Cardinal	Councillor (left the meeting at 3:17 p.m. and rejoined at 3:47 p.m.)
Darrell Derksen	Councillor
David Driedger	Councillor
Garrell Smith	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Ernest Peters	Councillor (teleconference – left the meeting at 1:42 p.m.)

REGRETS:

ADMINISTRATION:

James Thackray	Chief Administrative Officer
Byron Peters	Director of Projects and Infrastructure
Louise Flooren	Manager of Legislative & Support Services/ Recording Secretary
Jennifer Batt	Director of Finance
Don Roberts	Director of Community Services
Caitlin Smith	Director of Planning and Agriculture
Landon Driedger	Agricultural Fieldman

ALSO PRESENT:

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for Mackenzie County held on November 29, 2022 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

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

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 22-11-834 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 4. c) Assessment Appeal
- 4. d) Mitigation Agreement
- 10. b) Park Agreements
- 14. a) 100 A Street
- 15. b) Railway Advocacy

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: **3. a) Minutes of the November 15, 2022 Regular Council Meeting**

MOTION 22-11-835 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the November 15, 2022 Regular Council Meeting be Adopted as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: **3. a) Minutes of the November 16, 2022 Budget Council Meeting**

MOTION 22-11-836 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the November 16, 2022 Budget Council Meeting be Adopted as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: **3. b) Business Arising out of the Minutes**

None.

CLOSED MEETING: **4. a) CLOSED MEETING**

MOTION 22-11-837 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Council move into a closed meeting at 10:03 a.m. to discuss the following:

- 4.a) Little Red River Cree Nation (LRRCN) – Additions to Reserve (ATR) – (FOIP s. 21, 22, 23 and 24)

- 4.b) Frontier Veterinary Services Ltd. Agreement
(FOIP s. 16, 14 and 25)
- 4.c) Assessment Appeals (FOIP Sections 23 and 24)

CARRIED

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

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

MOTION 22-11-838 **MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That Council move out of a closed meeting at 11:08 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 11:08 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 22-11-839 **MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That the Closed Meeting discussion be TABLED until after lunch.

CARRIED

**GENERAL
REPORTS:**

8. a) Name that Neighbourhood Contest

MOTION 22-11-840 **MOVED** by Councillor Smith

That the Name That Neighbourhood Contest be TABLED.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: 7. a) Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) – Crime Statistics

MOTION 22-11-841 **MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That the RCMP crime statistics reports be received for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:38 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING: 4. a) CLOSED MEETING

MOTION 22-11-842 **MOVED** by Councillor Smith

That Council move into a closed meeting at 12:38 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 4.a) Little Red River Cree Nation (LRRCN) – Additions to Reserve (ATR) – (FOIP s. 21, 22, 23 and 24)
- 4.b) Frontier Veterinary Services Ltd. Agreement (FOIP s. 16, 14 and 25)
- 4.c) Assessment Appeals (FOIP Sections 23 and 24)

CARRIED

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

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

MOTION 22-11-843 **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That Council move out of a closed meeting at 1:19 p.m.

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING: 4. a) **Little Red River Cree Nation (LRRCN) – Additions to Reserve (ATR)**

MOTION 22-11-844 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That a letter be drafted to Little Red River Cree Nation and be brought back to the December 6, 2022 Budget Council Meeting.

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING: 4. b) **Frontier Veterinary Services Ltd. Agreement**

MOTION 22-11-845 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the current agreement between Frontier Veterinary Services Ltd. and Mackenzie County be extended for a period of two (2) years.

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING: 4. c) **Assessment Appeal (ADDITION)**

MOTION 22-11-846 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley
Requires Unanimous

That the Assessment Appeal discussion be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TENDERS: 5. a) **None**

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

AGRICULTURE SERVICES: 9. a) **Restrictions on Prescribing and Dispensing Veterinary Medicine and Large Animal Vet Shortages**

MOTION 22-11-847 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That a letter be sent to the Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation to advocate for lesser large animal medication restrictions and to support the Veterinary Medical Education Opportunities.

CARRIED

Councillor Peters left the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING: 4. d) CLOSED MEETING (ADDITION)

MOTION 22-11-848 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman
Requires Unanimous

That Council move into a closed meeting at 1:47 p.m. to discuss the following:

4.d) Mitigation Agreement (*FOIP s.23 and 24*)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

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

MOTION 22-11-849 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley
Requires Unanimous

That Council move out of a closed meeting at 2:18 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 2:19 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

GENERAL REPORTS: 8. b) Fort Vermilion Mitigation Construction update – 2020 Overland Flood (STANDING ITEM)

MOTION 22-11-850 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Fort Vermilion Mitigation Construction update – 2020 Overland Flood be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 22-11-851 **MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That Councillor Cardinal and Councillor Smith be invited to relevant mitigation meetings.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

10. a) Residential Waste Pickup – Tender Review

MOTION 22-11-852

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Administration proceed with the Tendering for the Collection of Fort Vermilion and La Crete Residential Waste Pick-up as amended.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

10. b) Park Agreements (ADDITION)

MOTION 22-11-853
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That the Park Agreements discussion be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCE:

11. a) Financial Reports – January – October 31, 2022

MOTION 22-11-854

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the financial reports for January to October 31, 2022 be received for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Cardinal left the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

OPERATIONS:

12. a) None

UTILITIES:

13. a) None

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

14. a) 100 A Street (ADDITION)

MOTION 22-11-855
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the deadline for the sale of 100 A Street be extended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION: 15. a) **Policy HR005 Staff Training and Professional Development Policy**

MOTION 22-11-856 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Policy AM035 Staff Training be rescinded.

CARRIED

MOTION 22-11-857 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Policy HR005 Staff Training and Professional Development be approved as presented.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION: 15. b) **Railway Advocacy (ADDITION)**

MOTION 22-11-858 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman
Requires Unanimous

That Mackenzie County join the Railway Advocacy Coalition and contribute \$2,000.00 towards the initiative.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Cardinal rejoined the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS: 16. a) **N/A**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS: 17. a) **Council Committee Reports (verbal)**

MOTION 22-11-859 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Council Committee Reports (verbal) be received for information.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

17. b) Agricultural Service Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION 22-11-860

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the unapproved Agricultural Service Board meeting minutes of the November 18, 2022 be received for information.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

18. a) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 22-11-861

MOVED by Councillor Smith

That a letter be written to Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta in support of her advocacy against the federal government's new firearms regulations.

CARRIED

MOTION 22-11-862

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the information/correspondence be received.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION:

19. a) None

**NEXT MEETING
DATES:**

20. a) Next Meeting Dates

Budget Council Meeting
December 6, 2022
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

Budget Council Meeting
December 7, 2022
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT:

21. a) Adjournment

MOTION 22-11-863 **MOVED** by Councillor Cardinal

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the December 13, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

(original signed)

Josh Knelsen
Reeve

(original signed)

James Thackray
Chief Administrative Officer

