

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, July 29, 2015
1:00 p.m.**

**Fort Vermilion Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT: Bill Neufeld Reeve
Walter Sarapuk Deputy Reeve
Jacquie Bateman Councillor
Peter F. Braun Councillor
Elmer Derksen Councillor
John W. Driedger Councillor (via teleconference)
Eric Jorgensen Councillor
Ricky Paul Councillor

REGRETS: Josh Knelsen Councillor
Lisa Wardley Councillor

ADMINISTRATION: Joulia Whittleton Chief Administrative Officer
Ron Pelensky Director of Community Services &
Operations
Len Racher Director of Facilities & Operations (South)
Byron Peters Director of Planning & Development
Fred Wiebe Manager of Utilities
Carol Gabriel Manager of Legislative & Support Services
Alexandra Codispodi Municipal Intern (Recording Secretary)

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on July 29, 2015 in the Fort Vermilion Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 15-07-491 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) Minutes of the June 22, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 15-07-492

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the minutes of the June 22, 2015 Regular Council meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

4. a) None

GENERAL REPORTS:

5. a) CAO Report

MOTION 15-07-493

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the CAO report for June 2015 be received for information.

CARRIED

5. b) Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2015

MOTION 15-07-494

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Public Works Committee meeting minutes of May 13, 2015 be received for information.

CARRIED

TENDERS:

6. a) Request for Quote – Line Painting 2015

MOTION 15-07-495

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the proposals for Line Painting 2015 be opened.

CARRIED

Proposals Received:

	Schedule A	Schedule B
Checkmark	\$19,574.00	\$68,980.00
AAA Striping	\$27,662.00	\$77,554.00
Marshall Lines	\$23,310.25	\$54,256.25

MOTION 15-07-496 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That administration review the line painting proposals and paint specifications and bring a recommendation back to the August 11, 2015 council meeting.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS: **7. a) None**

COMMUNITY SERVICES: **8. a) Policy ADM042 – General Safety Policy**

MOTION 15-07-497 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Policy ADM042 General Safety Policy be approved as amended.

CARRIED

8. b) Natural Area Use

MOTION 15-07-498 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That a letter be sent to the Minister of Parks regarding the process for the removal of natural area statuses from the lands within Mackenzie County.

CARRIED

UTILITIES: **9. a) Policy UT004 – Utility Connection Policy**

MOTION 15-07-499 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Policy UT004 – Utility Connection Policy Schedule C be amended as presented.

CARRIED

9. b) Fort Vermilion Water Services Improvements

MOTION 15-07-500 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That administration be authorized to negotiate with Associated Engineering regarding the scope of work for the Fort Vermilion

Water Services Improvements and that the engineers be invited to attend a council meeting before the scope of work is finalized.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 2:27 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

MOTION 15-07-501 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the line painting 2015 be awarded to the lowest qualifying bidder subject to following Alberta Transportation paint specifications.

CARRIED

9. c) La Crete Lagoon Project Contract

MOTION 15-07-502 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That a penalty be applied to Northern Road Builders for the La Crete Sewage Lagoon upgrade and expansion project starting July 16, 2015.

DEFEATED

Reeve Neufeld turned over the chair to Deputy Reeve Sarapuk at 2:46 p.m.

MOTION 15-07-503 **MOVED** by Reeve Neufeld

That the penalties be waived for the La Crete Sewage Lagoon upgrade and expansion project.

DEFEATED

MOTION 15-07-504 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That a penalty of \$500 per day be applied to Northern Road Builders for the La Crete Sewage Lagoon upgrade and expansion project starting July 16, 2015.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld resumed the chair at 2:50 p.m.

9. d) Lift Station 5 Grinder

MOTION 15-07-505

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That an additional \$35,000 be added to the Lift Station 5 Grinder project with funds coming from the Sewer Upgrading Reserve with the new total budget being \$80,000.

CARRIED

OPERATIONS:

10. e) Ditch Repair West of Blue Hills Road (Twp Rd 103-4)

Bill Siemens was present to discuss the ditch repair west of Blue Hills Road on Twp Rd 103-4.

MOTION 15-07-506

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the landowner(s) be instructed to complete the ditch repair west of Blue Hills Road (Twp Rd 103-4) by August 17, 2015 at which time Northern Road Builders will be authorized to complete the project at the landowner(s) expense.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:55 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

10. a) Policy PW009 Dust Control

MOTION 15-07-507

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Policy PW009 Dust Control be amended as presented.

CARRIED

10. b) Policy PW010 Road Protection Agreement

MOTION 15-07-508

MOVED by Councillor Paul

That Policy PW010 Road Protection Agreement be approved as amended.

CARRIED

10. c) Policy PW011 Log Hauls

MOTION 15-07-509

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Policy PW011 Log Hauls be RESCINDED.

CARRIED

10. d) Second Access Request – Plan 122 3197, Block 2, Lot 3

MOTION 15-07-510 **MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That the second access request for Plan 122 3197, Block 2, Lot 3 be approved subject to the access being paved.

CARRIED

10. f) Supply of Winter Sand

MOTION 15-07-511 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the supply of winter sand to the La Crete Salt/Sand Shed be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder.

CARRIED

10. g) Highway 88 Connector Road Repair (Dips)

MOTION 15-07-512 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Highway 88 Connector road dips be repaired when the road receives its second lift of asphalt.

DEFEATED

MOTION 15-07-513 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Highway 88 Connector road dip repair be awarded to DBM Contracting.

CARRIED

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: **11. a) Bylaw 998-15 Plan Cancellation for Consolidation Purposes Plan 092 9760, Block 1, Lot 1 (Pt. of SW 7-107-13-W5M) (La Crete Rural)**

MOTION 15-07-514 **MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That first reading be given to Bylaw 998-15, being a Plan Cancellation Bylaw to cancel and consolidate Plan 092 9760,

Block 1, Lot 1 back into the quarter from which it was taken,
subject to public hearing input.

CARRIED

FINANCE:

12. a) Requests to Reduce Tax – Roll 234211

MOTION 15-07-515

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That this item be removed from the agenda as it was dealt with at
the June 22, 2015 council meeting.

CARRIED

12. b) Requests to Reduce Tax – Roll 289333

MOTION 15-07-516

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That the 2015 municipal tax for Tax Roll 289333 be reduced to
\$35 due to lack of accessibility.

CARRIED

12. c) Requests to Reduce Tax – Rolls 077026/27/30

MOTION 15-07-517

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That the 2015 municipal tax for Tax Rolls 077026/27/30 be
reduced to \$35 due to lack of accessibility.

CARRIED

12. d) Reverse 2015 Tax Levy – Roll 235083

MOTION 15-07-518

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2015 tax levy for Tax Roll 235083 be cancelled and that
the penalty be reversed.

CARRIED

12. e) Financial Reports – January 1 to June 30, 2015

MOTION 15-07-519

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the financial reports for the period, January 1 – June 30,
2015, be accepted for information.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION: 13. a) Policy HR001 Employee Code of Conduct

MOTION 15-07-520 MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That Policy HR001 Employee Code of Conduct be approved as presented.

CARRIED

13. b) Agricultural Disaster

MOTION 15-07-521 MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That a letter be sent to the Northern Alberta Development Council regarding the agriculture situation in Mackenzie County.

CARRIED

13. c) Letter of Concern Regarding Incompatible Land Uses in the Hamlet of La Crete

MOTION 15-07-522 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Reeve, local Councillors and the Chief Administrative Officer meet with Knelsen Sand & Gravel regarding the concerns of their industrial lot within the Hamlet of La Crete and that the Municipal Planning Commission review incompatible land use developments in the Hamlet of La Crete and bring back recommendations to council.

CARRIED

13. d) Subdivision Improvement Request

MOTION 15-07-523 MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That administration obtain quotes for installing a standalone sidewalk from the Goertzen subdivision entry and along 94th Avenue connecting to the existing sidewalks and for installing street lights on street corners within the subdivision for review and consideration at the 2016 budget deliberations.

CARRIED

13. e) La Crete Recreation Board – Request for Letter of Support

MOTION 15-07-524 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That a letter of support be provided to the La Crete Recreation Society for their application to the Alberta Blue Cross Healthy Communities Program for a playground at the Ball Park.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:** **14. a) Information/Correspondence**

MOTION 15-07-525 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That a letter be sent to Graham Smith in response to his concerns regarding grazing reserve restrictions.

CARRIED

MOTION 15-07-526 **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

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

CARRIED

MOTION 15-07-527 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 5:05 p.m.

- 15. a) Legal
- 15. b) Labour
- 15. c) Land

CARRIED

MOTION 15-07-528 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That Council move out of camera at 5:51 p.m.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA **15. a) Legal – Winter Petroleum**

SESSION:

MOTION 15-07-529 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Winter Petroleum tax recovery update be accepted for information.

CARRIED

15. a) Legal – Tall Cree First Nations – Water Supply and Wastewater Acceptance Agreement & Mutual Aid Agreement

MOTION 15-07-530 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That administration be authorized to negotiate the Water Supply and Wastewater Acceptance Agreement with Tall Cree First Nation as discussed.

CARRIED

MOTION 15-07-531 **MOVED** by Councillor Paul

That administration be authorized to negotiate a Mutual Aid Agreement with Tall Cree First Nation.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION: **16. a) None**

NEXT MEETING DATES: **17. a)** Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 11, 2015
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: **18. a) Adjournment**

MOTION 15-07-532 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the council meeting be adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved by Council on August 11, 2015.

(original signed)

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

(original signed)

Joulia Whittleton
Chief Administrative Officer

