

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, December 8, 2009  
10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Greg Newman	Reeve
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	Dicky Driedger	Councillor
	John W. Driedger	Councillor
	Ed Froese	Councillor
	Bill Neufeld	Councillor
	Peter Braun	Councillor
	Ray Toews	Councillor
	Lisa Wardley	Councillor
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Stuart Watson	Councillor
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>	William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
	Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
	John Klassen	Director of Operations (South)
	Dave Crichton	Director of Operations (North)
	Mary Jo Van Order	Director of Planning and Development
	Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant
	Marion Krahn	Development Officer
	Liane Lambert	Development Officer

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

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on December 8, 2009 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Newman called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

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

**MOTION 09-12-1065**       **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 10. p) Transfer of Development Credits
- 10. q) Electoral Boundaries
- 10. r) Fort Vermilion Library Building Utilities

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF  
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**3. a) Minutes of the November 25, 2009 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 09-12-1066**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the November 25, 2009 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

**4. a) None**

**GENERAL REPORTS:**

**6. a) Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes – October 7, 2009**

**MOTION 09-12-1067**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting minutes of October 7, 2009 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**6. b) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – November 12, 2009**

**MOTION 09-12-1068**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of November 12, 2009 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**7. a) None**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE,  
CAO AND DIRECTORS  
REPORTS:**

**9. a) Council Committee Reports**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the VSI meeting, AAMDC conference and the Northern Alberta Elected Leaders meeting.

Councillor J. Driedger reported on drainage projects, PC Convention in Red Deer, Mackenzie Library Board meetings, AAMDC convention, loggers meetings, La Crete Building Committee meeting, Inter-municipal Planning Commission

meetings, meeting with the RCMP, meeting with ATCO (transmission line) and budget meetings.

Councillor Toews reported on the Subdivision & Development Appeal Board hearing and the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting.

Councillor Wardley reported on the Regional Economic Development Initiative, AAMDC convention, Parks & Recreation Committee meeting, budget meetings, Mackenzie Library Board meeting and the Zama Recreation Board.

Councillor D. Driedger reported on the AAMDC convention, Tompkins ice-bridge and the Agricultural Land Task Force.

**MOTION 09-12-1069**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Mackenzie County Land Use Plan be added to the agenda.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1070**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That the Mackenzie County Land Use Plan – Phase 1 be approved as presented.

**DEFEATED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-12-1071**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the Agricultural Sale and Grazing areas identified on the Mackenzie County Land Use Plan – Phase 1 be approved as presented and that further negotiations be held on the balance of Phase 1.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Councillor Neufeld reported on the Tompkins ice-bridge, La Crete Building Committee meeting and the Agriculture Service Board meetings.

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meetings.

Councillor Braun reported on the meetings with loggers, Municipal Planning Commission, REDI teleconference, La Crete Recreation Board meeting, AAMDC convention, Parks &

Recreation Committee meeting, La Crete Building Committee meeting, budget meetings, meeting with the RCMP, meeting with ATCO (transmission line), Mackenzie Waste Management meeting and the Finance Committee meeting.

Reeve Newman reported on the PC convention in Red Deer, meeting with the Minister of Sustainable Resource Development, meeting with the Minister of Parks & Recreation (Hutch Lake/Caribou Mountains), meeting with loggers and the meeting with the Premier regarding forestry.

**MOTION 09-12-1072**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Council Committee reports be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**9. b) CAO & Director Reports**

**MOTION 09-12-1073**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Chief Administrative Officer and Director reports be received for information.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 11:02 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

**10. m) Mighty Peace Tourist Association Membership**

**MOTION 09-12-1074**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the County forward a proposal to the Mighty Peace Tourist Association indicating a three year commitment if they allow another voting member on the board which would consist of a Council appointed member at large.

**CARRIED**

**10. a) Bylaw 751/09 Tax Payment Bylaw**

**MOTION 09-12-1075**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 751/09 being a bylaw authorizing payment of taxes by installments.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1076**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That second reading be given to Bylaw 751/09 being a bylaw authorizing payment of taxes by installments.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1077**

(requires unanimous)

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 751/09 being a bylaw authorizing payment of taxes by installments.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-12-1078**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That third reading be given to Bylaw 751/09 being a bylaw authorizing payment of taxes by installments.

**CARRIED**

**10. b) Bylaw 752/09 to Amend Bylaw 696/09 Local Improvement Charge**

**MOTION 09-12-1079**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That first reading be given to Bylaw 752/09, as amended, being a bylaw amending the local improvement charge in Bylaw 696/09, local improvement bylaw for the curb, gutter and sidewalk on 47<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Street, 49<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1080**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That second reading be given to Bylaw 752/09, as amended, being a bylaw amending the local improvement charge in Bylaw 696/09, local improvement bylaw for the curb, gutter and sidewalk on 47<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Street, 49<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1081**

(requires unanimous)

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 752/09 being a bylaw amending the local improvement charge in Bylaw 696/09, local improvement bylaw for the curb, gutter and sidewalk on 47<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Street, 49<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-12-1082**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That third reading be given to Bylaw 752/09, as amended, being a bylaw amending the local improvement charge in Bylaw 696/09, local improvement bylaw for the curb, gutter and sidewalk on 47<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Street, 49<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion.

**CARRIED**

**10. c) TCA Accounting Policy FIN026**

**MOTION 09-12-1083**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the TCA Accounting Policy FIN026 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**10. d) Finance and Investment Report – November 30, 2009**

**MOTION 09-12-1084**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the financial and investment report for the period ended November 30, 2009 be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. e) Utilities – System Estimates**

**MOTION 09-12-1085**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That administration be authorized to enter into a payment plan with residents upon request for outstanding utilities in excess of \$250.00, generated due to the lengthy system estimates, for a period of time not to exceed an account's system estimated reads period in which case the outstanding amount shall be transferred to taxes.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1086**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Council authorizes the collection of a pro-rated amount from utility accounts with system estimates in excess of 24 months calculated as follows:

Total amount outstanding divided by the number of system estimates multiplied by 24 months.

**CARRIED**

**10. f) Tax Write-Off – Tax Rolls 179207 and 179208**

**MOTION 09-12-1087**

(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the outstanding property taxes for tax roll 179207 and tax roll 179208 be tabled for further information.

**CARRIED**

**10. g) Tax Write-Off – Tax Roll 077121**

**MOTION 09-12-1088**

(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the property taxes and penalties totaling \$2,100.48 for roll 077121 located at Stall 9 Footner Drive be written off and that administration be authorized to void the 2009 penalty of \$353.93.

**CARRIED**

**10. h) Tax Write-Off – Tax Roll 192325**

**MOTION 09-12-1089**

(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the property taxes and arrears of \$3,521.46 for tax roll 192325 be written off, and that administration be authorized to void 2009 penalties of \$422.58 and \$40.19.

**CARRIED**

**10. i) Tax Write-Off – Tax Roll 313862**

**MOTION 09-12-1090**

(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the property tax and penalty for Stall 9, 10306 – 101 Street (in the Hamlet of La Crete) in the amount of \$230.57 for tax roll

313862 be written off and administration be authorized to void the 2009 penalty in the amount of \$27.67.

**CARRIED**

**10. j) Tax Write-Off – Tax Roll 411154**

**MOTION 09-12-1091**  
(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the \$183.55 in tax arrears and \$28.69 in penalties for tax roll 411154 be written off.

**CARRIED**

**10. k) Tax Write-Off – Tax Roll 313858**

**MOTION 09-12-1092**  
(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the property taxes of \$105.90 for tax roll 313858 be written off and administration be authorized to void the penalty of \$10.89 for Stall 1, 10306 – 101 Street in the Hamlet of La Crete.

**CARRIED**

**10. l) 2010 Operating Budget**

The 2010 budget was approved at the December 7, 2009 Special Council (Budget) meeting.

**10. n) Appointment of Members at Large to County  
Boards/Committees**

**MOTION 09-12-1093**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That Peter Wieler be appointed to the Mackenzie Housing Management Board for the remainder of a one year term ending October 2010.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1094**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Dawn Moberly be appointed the Mackenzie Library Board and the Assessment Review Board for the remaining of a one year term ending October 2010.

**CARRIED**



**10. o) La Crete Agricultural Society – Request for Letter of Support**

**MOTION 09-12-1095**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That a letter of support be provided to the La Crete Agricultural Society for their Village Paint Project.

**CARRIED**

**10. p) Transfer of Development Credits (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 09-12-1096**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Miistakis Institute be invited to make a presentation to Council on the transfer of development credits.

**DEFEATED**

**10. q) Electoral Boundaries (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 09-12-1097**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the electoral boundaries update be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. r) Fort Vermilion Library Building Utilities (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 09-12-1098**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the utilities for the Fort Vermilion library building be paid by Mackenzie County with funding coming from grants to other organizations.

**DEFEATED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

**TENDERS:**

**8. a) 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue Reconstruction (La Crete) 1:01 p.m.**

**MOTION 09-12-1099**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the tenders for the 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue Reconstruction (La Crete) be opened.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1100**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue Reconstruction (La Crete) tender be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder within budget constraints.

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATIONS:**

**5. a) Blair Birch, Associated Engineering – 1:15 p.m.**

**11. c) Rural Water**

**MOTION 09-12-1101**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the County apply for funding under the Water for Life project for the transmission line between Fort Vermilion and La Crete.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1102**

**MOVED** by Reeve Newman

That the County engage Associated Engineering for assisting with the regional water transmission funding applications.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PLANNING,  
EMERGENCY, AND  
ENFORCEMENT  
SERVICES:**

**12. a) Bylaw 748/09 Being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the Cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3, and Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the Purpose of Consolidation (Fort Vermilion)**

**MOTION 09-12-1103**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 748/09 being the cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3 and Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the purpose of consolidation.

**CARRIED**

**12. b) Bylaw 750/09 to Amend Bylaw 732/09 Cancellation of Subdivision Plan 972 2460, Lot 1 (Part of SE 22-106-15-W5M) (La Crete Rural)**

**MOTION 09-12-1104**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 750/09, being a bylaw amending the Plan number in Bylaw 732/09 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting the subdivided lands back into SE 22-

106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1105**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That second reading be given to Bylaw 750/09, being a bylaw amending the Plan number in Bylaw 732/09 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting the subdivided lands back into SE 22-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1106**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 750/09, being a bylaw amending the Plan number in Bylaw 732/09 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting the subdivided lands back into SE 22-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-12-1107**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That third reading be given to Bylaw 750/09, being a bylaw amending the Plan number in Bylaw 732/09 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting the subdivided lands back into SE 22-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

**CARRIED**

**10. f) Tax Write-Off – Tax Rolls 179207 and 179208**

**MOTION 09-12-1108**

Requires 2/3

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the property taxes in the amount of \$4,795.52 for tax roll 179207 and \$21.37 for tax roll 179208 be written off and that both rolls be made inactive.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Recreational Area Policy ADM040**

**MOTION 09-12-1109**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Recreational Area Policy ADM040 be adopted as

amended.

**CARRIED**

**11. b) Parks & Recreation Committee – Terms of Reference**

**MOTION 09-12-1110**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the Parks and Recreation Committee Terms of Reference be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 2:27 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:38 p.m.

**INFORMATION/  
CORRESPONDENCE**

**13. a) Information/Correspondence**

**MOTION 09-12-1111**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That appropriate Alberta Health Services personnel be invited to the January 12, 2010 council meeting to discuss the ambulance services commitment made to the County and transport policies.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-12-1112**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

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

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**MOTION 09-12-1113**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 2:49 p.m.

- 14. a) Personnel
- 14. b) Special Projects
- 14. c) Legal
- 14. d) Inter-municipal Relations
- 14. e) CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Negotiations
- 14. f) Airstrip Use Agreement (Apache)

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-12-1114**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 3:39 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**14. a) Personnel**

**MOTION 09-12-1115**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the RCMP be invited to the January 12, 2010 Council meeting.

**CARRIED**

**14. b) Special Projects**

**MOTION 09-12-1116**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That additional information be brought to the January 12, 2010 Council meeting regarding the golf tournament and Agriculture Service Board trade show.

**CARRIED**

**14. c) Legal**

**MOTION 09-12-1117**

**MOVED** by Councillor Neufeld

That the legal update be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**14. d) Inter-municipal Relations**

**MOTION 09-12-1118**

**MOVED** by Reeve Newman

That the inter-municipal relations update be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**14. e) CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Negotiations**

**MOTION 09-12-1119**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Council continue the CO<sub>2</sub> EOR negotiations as discussed.

**CARRIED**

**14. f) Airstrip Use Agreement (Apache)**

**MOTION 09-12-1120**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the County enter into an airstrip use agreement with Apache as presented.

**CARRIED**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**15. a)** Regular Council Meeting  
Tuesday, January 12, 2010  
10:00 a.m.  
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**16. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 09-12-1121**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved on January 12, 2010.

Original Signed

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Greg Newman  
Reeve

Original Signed

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William Kostiw  
Chief Administrative Officer