

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MACKENZIE NO. 23
SPECIAL COUNCIL BUDGET**

**Meeting Room, Fort Vermilion Community Library
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

Tuesday, December 18, 2000

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve (entered the meeting at 9:41 a.m.)
Frank Rosenberger	Councillor
Betty Bateman	Councillor
John Driedger	Councillor
Pat Kulscar	Councillor
Greg Newman	Councillor
Frank Rosenberger	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor (arrived at 9:09 a.m.)
Wayne Thiessen	Councillor

ABSENT:

Joe Peters	Councillor
Willie Wieler	Councillor

ALSO PRESENT:

Harvey Prockiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Eva Schmidt	Executive Assistant
Paul Driedger	Director of Planning and Emergency Services
Chris Kelland	Agricultural Fieldman
Bill Landiuk	Director of Corporate Services
Ivan Perich	Director of Operational Services

Minutes of the special council budget meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, held on Tuesday, December 18, 2000, in the meeting room of the Fort Vermilion Community Library, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Deputy Reeve Rosenberger called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Deputy Reeve Rosenberger turned the meeting over to CAO, Harvey Prockiw.

AGENDA:

2. b) Adoption of the Agenda

Council continued with the unfinished agenda from the December 8, 2000 Special Council Budget meeting.

Councillor Sarapuk entered the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Business:

5. a) Detailed Budget

Council reviewed the Council and Administration operating budgets.

Administration will check which societies are applying for step students and which ones the M.D. could apply for.

Reeve Neufeld entered the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

An article is to be placed in the newsletter advising the public that if they are not receiving the M.D. newsletters, copies are available at any M.D. office or they may call the office to have their name put on the mailing list.

Council reviewed the Fire operating budget.

Harvey Prockiw recessed the meeting at 10:18 a.m.

Harvey Prockiw reconvened the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Council reviewed the Ambulance operating budget.

Harvey Prockiw reported on a meeting with Aeromedical and Zama Fire and Rescue.

Council reviewed the Enforcement Services and Transportation operating budget.

Council asked administration to review the grader contracts as well as the M.D. grader beats at a per kilometer rate.

Administration will revisit the costs for the number of vehicles, bring back the signs issue, and bring a gravel report back to Council.

Harvey Prockiw recessed the meeting at 11:32 a.m.

Harvey Prockiw reconvened the meeting at 11:39 a.m.

Council reviewed the Air Transportation and Water and Sewer operating budget.

Administration will check the "Professional Fees" under Water and Sewer.

Harvey Prockiw recessed the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

Harvey Prockiw reconvened the meeting at 1:06 p.m.

Administration will provide a report on what the Water and Sewer department is doing different now than in 1999 which has caused the increase in the budget.

Council reviewed the Garbage Collection and Disposal operating budget. Administration will check the volumes at the Waste Transfer Stations.

Council reviewed the Community Services/Family and Community Support Services operating budget. Administration was advised to continue using the formula for Family and Community Support Services.

Harvey Prockiw recessed the meeting at 2:13 p.m.

Harvey Prockiw reconvened the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Council reviewed the Planning and Development, Subdivision Land and Development and Recreation Boards operating budgets.

Administration will check if there is any insurance paid on recreation facilities.

Harvey Prockiw welcomed George Bueckert to the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

George Bueckert presented the La Crete Ambulance Society's 2001 budget. Mr. Bueckert reported on Emergency Medical Responder and Emergency Medical Technician training, the increase requested is due to the increased level of service from Emergency Medical Responder to Emergency Medical Technician.

Harvey Prockiw thanked George Bueckert who then left the meeting at 3:11 p.m.

Harvey Prockiw recessed the meeting at 3:11 p.m.

Harvey Prockiw reconvened the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

La Crete Ambulance Society operating budget funding shall be increased to \$128,500.

Council reviewed the Agricultural Services and Veterinary Services operating budgets.

Harvey Prockiw recessed the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Harvey Prockiw reconvened the meeting at 3:44 p.m.

Council reviewed the Library operating budget.

Administration will investigate whether it would be more feasible for the attendant at the Blues Hills Waste Transfer Station to use his truck instead of the M.D. having to build a shack.

Chris Kelland presented the flood control capital projects. The flood control projects will be brought to back to Council for possible engineering tenders.

MOTION 00-741 MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That a grant of \$50,000 be given to the North Peace Applied Research Association to go towards funding a new building.

CARRIED

Councillor Newman declared a pecuniary interest under section 170 of the Municipal Government Act regarding the Rosenberger Drainage as his farmland will benefit from the drainage project. Councillor Newman left the meeting room at 4:00 p.m.

Council discussed the priority list for drainage and flood control projects. The Rosenberger Drainage project was moved to the year 2001.

Councillor Newman reentered the meeting at 4:09 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: 14. a) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

These minutes were adopted this _____ day of _____, 2000.

Bill Neufeld, Reeve

Eva Schmidt, Executive Assistant

Approved:

Sandra Cross, Official Administrator