

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MACKENZIE NO. 23
COUNCIL MEETING**

**Council Chambers of the Provincial Building
High Level, Alberta**

Tuesday, April 18, 2000

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Betty Bateman	Councillor
John Driedger	Councillor
Pat Kulscar	Councillor
Joe Peters	Councillor
Frank Rosenberger	Councillor
Wayne Thiessen	Councillor
Willie Wieler	Councillor

ABSENT:

Greg Newman	Councillor
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ALSO PRESENT:

Harvey Prockiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Doug Plamping	Interim Chief Administrative Officer
Eva Schmidt	Municipal Secretary
Darlene Hardy	Treasurer/Assistant CAO
Marco Braat	Superintendent of Utilities, Parks and Playgrounds
Rita Bueckert	Acting Manager of Public Works, Administration
Paul Driedger	Manager of Emergency Services
Dean Krause	Manager of Planning and Development
Sheldon Robb	Manager of Protective Services

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, held on Tuesday, April 18, 2000, in the Council Chambers of the Provincial Building, High Level, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER:

1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the Council meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF
AGENDA:**

2. a) Adoption of Agenda

The following additions were made to the agenda:

8a)	was moved 2a)
8w)	Establish Budget Meeting Date
8x)	Expense Claims
8y)	Letter for Farm Aid Support to the Federal Government

CARRIED

MOTION 00-177

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council discuss the wood supply issue under item 8cc) Legal Issues.

CARRIED

4. b) Land Use Bylaw – Margaret Neufeld

Reeve Neufeld welcomed Margaret Neufeld to the Council meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Margaret Neufeld made a presentation regarding the M.D. of Mackenzie Land Use Bylaw.

MOTION 00-178

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council receive the presentation from Margaret Neufeld as information.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-179

MOVED by Councillor Wieler

That Council recess the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-180

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council reconvene the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld requested that Council consider item 8c) at this time. The request was granted.

8. c) Road Allowance

Councillor Driedger asked that Peter Goertzen be allowed to speak to the issue of road allowance. Council granted the request.

Peter Goertzen made a presentation requesting that Council consider closing road four and a half miles of road in the west La Crete area.

Reeve Neufeld declared he may have a conflict of interest because a part of the road that is requested to be closed runs adjacent to his property. Reeve Neufeld turned the Chair over to Deputy Reeve Sarapuk.

MOTION 00-181

MOVED by Councillor Thiessen

That Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to investigate all aspects of closing the road and bring the information back to Council.

CARRIED **Reeve Neufeld abstained**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk turned the Chair over to Reeve Neufeld.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

5. a) Council Committees

Councillors reported on the various committee meetings as follows:

Councillor Wieler – La Crete Family and Community Support Services, La Crete Recreation Board

Councillor Thiessen – Agricultural Service Board

Councillor Peters – Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Spring Convention

Councillor Kulscar – Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Spring Convention, Organizational Review meeting with George Cuff

Councillor Rosenberger – Organizational Review, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Spring Convention, Fort Vermilion Recreation Board, Water Task Force

Councillor Bateman – Caribou Mountains Special Places 2000

Councillor Driedger – Mackenzie Housing Management Board, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Spring Convention

Councillor Sarapuk – Caribou Mountains Special Places 2000, Footner Forest Advisory Committee, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Spring Convention

Reeve Neufeld – Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Spring Convention

MOTION 00-182

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council receive the Council Committee reports as presented.

CARRIED

5. b) Financial Report

MOTION 00-183

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council receive the financial report as information.

CARRIED

**INTRODUCTION
OF BYLAWS:**

6. a) Bylaw 179/99 – Parks and Playground

Council recommended the following amendments to Bylaw 179/99:
Page 63 and 74 remove “Hutch Lake”.
Page 75 typographical error “of any f” be replaced with “of any of”.
Page 69 section 53 “without” be replaced with “out”
Page 65 “object” be replaced with “any municipal property”

MOTION 00-184
Bylaw 179/99
Second Reading

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council of the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 give second reading to Bylaw 179/99, being the Municipal Parks Bylaw, as amended.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-185
Bylaw 179/99
Third Reading

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council of the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 give third reading to Bylaw 179/99, being the Municipal Parks Bylaw, as amended.

CARRIED

6. b) Bylaw 208/00 – Development Authority

MOTION 00-186
Bylaw 208/00
First Reading

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council give first reading to Bylaw 208/00, being a bylaw to establish the position of Development Authority.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-187
Bylaw 208/00
Second Reading

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council give second reading to Bylaw 208/00, being a bylaw to establish the position of Development Authority.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-188

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council give consideration to go the third reading of Bylaw 208/00, being a bylaw to establish the position of Development Authority, at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUS

MOTION 00-189
Bylaw 208/00
Third Reading

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council give third reading to Bylaw 208/00, being a bylaw to establish the position of Development Authority.

CARRIED

6. c) Bylaw 207/00 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment

MOTION 00-190

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council reschedule the Public Hearing for Bylaw 207/00 for the Regular Council Meeting at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 16, 2000 in La Crete.

CARRIED

**8. b) Reduce Speed Limit on Portion of Rural Road
Peter Martens Delegation at the March Meeting**

A discussion was held on a previous request to lower the speed limit on a rural road.

MOTION 00-191

MOVED by Councillor Wieler

That the speed limit not be changed and that Council direct administration to write a letter to Mr. Martens informing him of the action that administration is taking regarding enforcing of the existing 80 km/hr speed limit.

CARRIED

8. d) Rural Road Study Initiative

MOTION 00-192

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council accept the proposal from AGRA Torchinsky Engineering Ltd. to complete the Rural Road Study, in accordance with the guidelines of the Municipal 2000 Sponsorship Program.

CARRIED

8. e) West La Crete Road Upgrade

MOTION 00-193

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council direct Administration to revisit policy on the West La Crete road upgrade and bring this item to the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

8. f) Highway Priorities

MOTION 00-194

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council table the Highway Priorities list to the Special Council meeting on April 28, 2000.

CARRIED

8. g) Zama Access Road Phase 1 – Reconstruction

MOTION 00-195

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council receive the report on the Zama Access Road Phase 1 Reconstruction as information.

CARRIED

8. h) Municipal 2000 Sponsorship Program (3rd year)

MOTION 00-196

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council receive the report on the Municipal 2000 Sponsorship Program as information at this time and that the report be brought back to the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

Council discussed options for the Municipal 2000 Sponsorship Program.

8. i) Caretaking – Mustus Lake Centre

MOTION 00-197

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council award the contract for the Caretaking of the Mustus Lake Centre in La Crete to the lowest tender received from David Unrau, at a monthly tender price of \$968.

CARRIED

8. j) Hutch Lake Committee

Councillor Kulscar and Councillor Bateman volunteered to sit on the Hutch Lake Task Force.

MOTION 00-198

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That Council establish the Hutch Lake Task Force with a sunset clause of December 31, 2000; that Councillor Kulscar and Councillor Bateman represent Council on the Hutch Lake Task Force; that a letter be written to the Town of High Level Council requesting they appoint two of their council members to the Hutch Lake Task Force; and that administration advertise in the local newspaper for three members at large within the M.D. of Mackenzie to the Hutch Lake Task Force.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

8. k) Corporate Review by George B. Cuff & Associates Ltd.

MOTION 00-199

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council accept "in principle" the Executive Summary of the Corporate Review for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, from George B. Cuff & Associates Ltd.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-200

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide monthly summaries of progress on recommendations contained in the Executive summary of the Corporate Review for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, from George B. Cuff & Associates Ltd.

CARRIED

8. l) Recommendations on Changes to Procedural Bylaw

MOTION 00-201

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council table item 8l until Council has discussed item 8m.

CARRIED

8. m) Recommendations on the Committee of the Whole

MOTION 00-202

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council adopt a Committee of the Whole Council governance model as recommended in the Executive Summary of the Corporate Review for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, from George B. Cuff & Associates Ltd.; that Council hold its first Committee of the Whole Meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on May 16, 2000; that the next Council meeting begin at 1:00 p.m., May 16, 2000, in La Crete, and that Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to submit draft terms of reference for the Committee of the Whole at that meeting for discussion.

CARRIED

8. **l) Recommendations on Changes to Procedural Bylaw**

MOTION 00-203

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a draft of a new Procedural Bylaw to the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

8. **n) Recommendations on Organization Structure**

MOTION 00-204

MOVED by Councillor Wieler

That Council agree "in principle" with the proposed organization chart recommended in the Executive Summary of the Corporate Review for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, from George B. Cuff & Associates Ltd., and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to implement the proposed structure, as appropriate, and undertake any necessary organizational changes.

CARRIED

8. **o) Recommendations on Role Statements and Guidelines**

MOTION 00-205

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide extracts of the report to provide to the Committee of the Whole as draft policy.

CARRIED

8. **p) Recommendations on Administrative Issues**

MOTION 00-206

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council refer the remaining recommendations from the Executive Summary of the Corporate Review for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, from George B. Cuff & Associates Ltd., to the Chief Administrative Officer for review, reporting and/or implementation.

CARRIED

8. q) Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta

MOTION 00-207

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council proclaim the week of June 4 to 10, 2000 as Senior Citizens Week 2000 in the M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23 and urge all residents to join in celebrating seniors during that week.

CARRIED

8. r) Day of Mourning

MOTION 00-208

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council proclaim April 28, 2000 as Day of Mourning in the M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23 in remembrance of those who have been killed or seriously injured in work-related accidents.

CARRIED

8. s) AAMD&C Spring 2000 Convention Evaluation

MOTION 00-209

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council fax the AAMD&C Spring 2000 Convention Evaluation to the M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23 office by the end of April, 2000.

CARRIED

8. t) Request for Subdivision Time Extension

MOTION 00-210

MOVED by Councillor Rosenberger

That Council grant the time extension for subdivision application 98MK060 for NE 12-116-06-W6M to May 31, 2000.

CARRIED

8. u) Dust Control – Abe Krahn Delegation at March Meeting

MOTION 00-211

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council continue to adhere to the M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23 Dust Control Policy PW009 and direct Administration to write a letter to Abe Krahn regarding Council's decision.

CARRIED

**8. v) M.D. Land Use Bylaw and other Issues
Margaret Neufeld Delegation**

MOTION 00-212

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council direct Administration to draft a bylaw for permitted and discretionary uses in the commercial district and other appropriate districts and that Council thank Ms. Neufeld for her presentation and that if she wishes to have liquor stores as a permitted use that she applies for a Land Use Bylaw amendment as per the standard procedure.

CARRIED

8. w) Budget Meeting

MOTION 00-213

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council set the budget meeting date for 10:00 a.m. on Monday May 8, 2000 in Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

8. x) Expense Claims

MOTION 00-214

MOVED by Councillor Thiessen

That Council direct Administration to seek legal advice regarding Bylaw 195/99, Honorariums and Related Expenses, particularly the number of meetings Council is eligible to claim per day and meals claimed by receipt.

CARRIED

8. y) Letter of Farm Aid Support to the Federal Government

MOTION 00-215

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council write a letter to the Federal Government requesting Farm Aid Support for Alberta.

CARRIED

8. z) Diabetes Awareness Days

MOTION 00-216

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council declare May 1st to May 15th as “Diabetes Awareness Days” in the M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23 and urge all to respond to the needs of the Canadian Diabetes Association.

CARRIED

8. aa) Sale of Gravel

MOTION 00-217

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council accept the sale of gravel item as information as the M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23 already has a policy on this matter.

CARRIED

8. bb) Zama Ambulance Cancellation

MOTION 00-218

MOVED by Councillor Thiessen

That Council receive the report on the Zama Ambulance cancellation as information.

CARRIED

**IN CAMERA
SESSION:**

8. w) **Legal Issues**

8. x) **Personnel Issues**

MOTION 00-219

MOVED by Councillor Kulscar

That Council consider to go in camera at 9:04 p.m. to discuss financial and Personnel issues pursuant to Section 16 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED

MOTION 00-220

MOVED by Councillor Thiessen

That Council come out of in camera at 10:07 p.m.

CARRIED

Councillor Sarapuk left the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Councillor Bateman left the meeting at 9:39 p.m.

MOTION 00-221

MOVED by Councillor Wieler

That Council write a letter to Footner Forest Products urging them to reach an agreement with PAR that will give PAR the third proposal or any other secure timber supply and that a copy of the letter be sent to the Minister and other affected parties.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

9. a) **Adjournment**

MOTION 00-222

MOVED by Councillor Thiessen

That Council that the meeting be adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

CARRIED

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

Bill Neufeld, Reeve

Eva Schmidt, Municipal Secretary

Approved

Sandra Cross, Official Administrator