

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, March 28, 2007

6:00 p.m.

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, AB**

PRESENT:	Bill Neufeld	Reeve
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	Peter Braun	Councillor
	John W. Driedger	Councillor
	Jim Thompson	Councillor
	Lisa Wardley	Councillor
	Ed Froese	Councillor
ABSENT:	Greg Newman	Councillor
	Stuart Watson	Councillor
ALSO PRESENT:	William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
	Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant
	Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
	Paul Driedger	Director of Planning & Emergency Services
	John Klassen	Manager of Utilities & Facilities

Members of the media.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 07-273 MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of:

- 9. a) Zama Fire Guard Vegetation Management Additional Clearing
- 10. d) Dust Control
- 10. e) Fidler Pit
- 10. f) La Crete Hamlet Speed Zones
- 10. g) Hill Crest Community School – Traffic Impact Assessment

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF THE
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) Minutes of the March 13, 2007 Regular Council Meeting

MOTION 07-274

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the March 13, 2007 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4. a) Operations Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION 07-275

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Operations Committee Terms of Reference be tabled to the April 11, 2007 regular council meeting for review.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) None

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) None

PUBLIC HEARING:

7. a) None

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

8. a) Council Committee Report

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the CAMRIF funding announcement in Peace River, Forest Education Society, management committee meeting, ethanol meeting and grader review committee meetings.

Councillor Driedger reported on the Health Retention Committee, AAMD&C spring convention, grader review committee, Mackenzie Housing Management Board and Special Council meetings

Councillor Wardley reported on the Zama Recreation Board, Mackenzie Library Board and Special Council meetings.

Councillor Thompson reported on the Special Council and Fort Vermilion Recreation Board meetings.

Councillor Braun reported on the Municipal Planning Commission, REDI Board, La Crete Recreation Board, AAMD&C spring convention, CAMRIF funding announcement in Peace River, Mackenzie Housing Management, REDI presentation at the La Crete Chamber meeting, and Special Council meetings.

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meetings and the AAMD&C spring convention.

Reeve Neufeld reported on the AAMD&C spring convention, meetings with Alberta Infrastructure & Transportation and Mackenzie Housing Management Board meetings.

MOTION 07-276

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Council Committee verbal reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

8. b) Chief Administrative Officer & Director Reports

MOTION 07-277

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Director of Corporate Services report be accepted for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-278

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Director of Planning & Emergency Services report be accepted for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-279

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Manager of Utilities & Facilities report be accepted for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-280

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the Chief Administrative Officer report be accepted for information.

CARRIED

10.b) Gravel

MOTION 07-281

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council approve the extension to the closing date of the gravel tender to April 11, 2007 as implemented by the Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 7:12 pm and reconvened the meeting at 7:23 pm.

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

9. a) Zama Fire Guard Vegetation Management Additional Clearing

MOTION 07-282

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That administration proceed with the additional brush clearing on the Zama Fire Guard Vegetation Management Project.

CARRIED

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

10. a) Graders

MOTION 07-283

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the grader discussion be received for information.

CARRIED

10. c) Machesis Lake/Wadlin Lake Caretaking Contracts

MOTION 07-284

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Mackenzie County proceed with advertising for the caretaking of Machesis and Wadlin Lake and that the contract be

revised as amended.

CARRIED

10. d) Dust Control

MOTION 07-285

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That administration investigate options for dust control for review at the April 11th regular council meeting.

CARRIED

10. e) Fidler Pit

MOTION 07-286

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That administration proceed with testing the Fidler home quarter and that a decision be made at the April 11, 2007 regular council meeting.

CARRIED

10. f) La Crete Hamlet Speed Zones

MOTION 07-287

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the change in speed limit zones along 94th and 109th Avenue and 113th Street in the Hamlet of La Crete be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 07-288

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That administration be authorized to implement speed limit sign changes along 94th and 109th Avenue and 113th Street in the Hamlet of La Crete as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. g) Hill Crest Community School – Traffic Impact Assessment

MOTION 07-289

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Hill Crest Community School traffic impact assessment

be received for information.

CARRIED

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Zama Water Treatment Plant Borrowing
Bylaw 614/07**

MOTION 07-290

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That second reading be given to Bylaw 614/07, being a bylaw authorizing a debenture borrowing in the amount of \$3,178,230 to construct a new water treatment plant in the Hamlet of Zama.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-291

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That third reading be given to Bylaw 614/07, being a bylaw authorizing a debenture borrowing in the amount of \$3,178,230 to construct a new water treatment plant in the Hamlet of Zama.

CARRIED

**11. b) 10 Year Infrastructure Plans and 2007 Grant
Applications**

MOTION 07-292

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the County's 10-year infrastructure plan be submitted to Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation as presented.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-293

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Mackenzie County submit applications under the Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program as approved in the 2007 Capital Budget and that the County proceed with the following projects with additional required funding to come from reserves:

Project Description	Total project cost
Two Graders Replacement	\$ 540,000
Zama Wastewater Repair System	\$ 85,000
TWP 106-4 Reconstruction	\$ 150,000
La Crete 102 Street and 91 st Ave-curb, gutter, sidewalk	\$ 450,000

Fort Vermilion River Road paving from 50 th Street to Catholic Church	\$ 1,105,000
Zama Bearspaw Crescent	\$ 765,000

CARRIED

MOTION 07-294

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the County submit applications under the Canada Alberta Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (CAMRIF) program for the following projects:

Project Description	Total project cost
Aspen Drive from Beach Road to Lane BLK. 12 (Zama City)	\$ 570,000.00
100 th Avenue – 104 th to East of 102 nd Street, 102 nd Street – 100 th to 101 st Avenue (La Crete)	\$ 685,000.00
53 rd Street – River Road to 48 th Avenue, 48 th Avenue – 52 nd Street to 54 th Avenue (Fort Vermilion)	\$ 650,000.00

CARRIED

MOTION 07-295

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the County apply for 2007 New Deal for Cities and Communities grant funding for the Zama hydrant and valve repair program.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-296

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That Council review the 10 year infrastructure plans on an annual basis with engineers in each community.

CARRIED

11. c) Order in Council – Mackenzie County Name Change

MOTION 07-297

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the Order in Council changing the name of Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 to Mackenzie County be received for information and that the County proceed with changing signage.

CARRIED

**11. d) Minister's Council on Municipal Sustainability
Final Report**

MOTION 07-298

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the Minister's Council on Municipal Sustainability final report be received for information.

CARRIED

11. e) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 07-299

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

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

CARRIED

Assessment Review Board Training Sessions

MOTION 07-300

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That members of the Assessment Review Board be authorized to attend the training sessions being held throughout the province in May 2007.

CARRIED

Chris Warkentin, MP

MOTION 07-301

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council attempt to host Chris Warkentin, MP for supper on Friday, April 13, 2007 in La Crete.

CARRIED

Open Houses & Ratepayer Meetings

MOTION 07-302

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That Mackenzie County hold open houses in conjunction with ratepayer meetings in each community as follows:

May 9, 2007 La Crete

May 10, 2007 Fort Vermilion
June 11, 2007 Zama City

CARRIED

June 12, 2007 Regular Council Meeting Location Change

MOTION 07-303

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the June 12, 2007 regular council meeting be held in Zama City.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 07-304

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That consideration be given to move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 8:13 p.m.

- 12. a) Town of High Level Negotiations
- 12. b) Health Services
- 12. c) Personnel & Contracts
- 12. d) Union Negotiations
- 12. e) Mackenzie Housing Management Board

CARRIED

MOTION 07-305

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council move out of camera at 9:49 p.m.

CARRIED

12. a) Town of High Level Negotiations

MOTION 07-306

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That administration prepare an appropriate response to the Town of High Level inquiry.

CARRIED

12. e) Mackenzie Housing Management Board

MOTION 07-307

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the County provide to Mackenzie Housing Management the second advance payment for the Heimstaed Lodge based on the 2006 requisition.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-308

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the County pay the Heimstaed Lodge requisition as determined by the municipal financial team ensuring all health costs are excluded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 07-309

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That administration prepare an interest free term loan bylaw for the health portion of the Heimstaed Lodge as determined by the municipal financial team with repayment by December 31, 2007.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE:

13. a) Regular Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 11, 2007

10:00 a.m.

Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, Alberta

ADJOURNMENT

14. a) Adjournment

MOTION 07-310

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on Wednesday, April 11, 2007.

(signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant