

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

**Wednesday, April 26, 2006
6:00 p.m.**

Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, Alberta

PRESENT:	Bill Neufeld	Reeve
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	John W. Driedger	Councillor
	Willy Neudorf	Councillor
	Lisa Wardley	Councillor
	Stuart Watson	Councillor
	Peter Braun	Councillor
	Jim Thompson	Councillor

ALSO PRESENT:	Youlia Whittleton	Acting Chief Administrative Officer
	Mary Jane Driedger	Public Works Administrative Officer / Recording Secretary
	Wanita Mitchell	Administrative Assistant
	John Klassen	Utilities Supervisor
	Eva Schmidt	Planning Supervisor
	Paul Driedger	Director of Emergency & Enforcement Svcs.
	Rick Evans	Project Services Technologist

And members of the public

ABSENT	Ed Froese	Councillor
	Greg Newman	Councillor

**Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for the Municipal District of
Mackenzie No. 23 held on April 26, 2006 in Council Chambers, Fort
Vermilion, Alberta.**

CALL TO ORDER: Call to Order

1.a Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF Agenda Approval
AGENDA:**

2.a **MOVED** by Councillor Neudorf

MOTION 06-285

That the agenda for April 26, 2006 be approved with the following additions:

- 9.d 45 Street Road Improvements
- 10.g Hazard Control within Hamlet Boundaries
- 9.e Gravel Price Tompkins Pit
- 12.a Personnel
- 5.a Delegation – Dave Peters

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- 10.h Bylaw Enforcement
- 9.f La Crete and Fort Vermilion Road Improvements 2006
- 9.g Gravel Tendering
- 9.h Buffalo Head Prairie Intersection
- 12.b In Camera – La Crete MD Building Negotiations

CARRIED

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- 3.a Minutes of the April 11, 2006
Regular Council Meeting**

MOTION 06-286
Council Minutes 041106

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the minutes of the April 11, 2006 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING:

- 4.a** There was no business arising out of the minutes.

DELEGATIONS:

ADDITION:

- 5.a Dave Peters**

Mr. Peters announced the new name for his new development, River Drive Development.

Mr. Peters requested that his subdivision be allowed to put oil on the road for safety reasons. The policy on applying oil on municipal roads was reviewed and Mr. Peters was told to follow the guidelines of this policy.

Mr. Peters also had a concern regarding the Municipal Planning Commission and was directed to speak to Administration to deal with this problem.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 6.a** There were no public hearings.

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE AND
CAO REPORTS:**

- 7.a Council Committee Reports**

Council verbally reviewed meetings and workshops:

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Deputy Reeve Sarapuk – No meetings to report

Councillor Driedger – Library Board meeting, La Crete Office Building Task Force meeting

Councillor Neudorf – Viewed Bluehills erosion with Agricultural Service board members, Operations Committee meeting

Councillor Wardley – Airport Meeting in High Level

Councillor Watson – No meetings to report

Councillor Thompson – Fort Vermilion Recreation Board meeting

Councillor Braun – La Crete Recreational Board Annual General Meeting, Municipal Planning Commission Training, Municipal Planning Commission meetings, Operations Committee meeting, La Crete Office Building Task Force meeting, Mediator meeting

Reeve Neufeld – Airport meeting in High Level, Mediator meeting

MOTION 06-287

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That the Council reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

GENERAL REPORTS:

8.a Action List

The action list was reviewed.

MOTION 06-288

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

OPERATIONAL SERVICES:

9.a Beach Road Reconstruction

MOTION 06-289

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the contract for the Beach Road Reconstruction Project be awarded to Knelsen Sand & Gravel for \$819,675.00.

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CARRIED

9.b Fort Vermilion Lift Station Upgrade

MOTION 06-290
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That administration be authorized to proceed with the Fort Vermilion Lift Station Upgrade project and \$128,250 additional required funding to be taken from general operating fund.

CARRIED

9.c Regional Scada System

MOTION 06-291
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That the SCADA Regionalization project be deferred to the 2007 capital budget in order to secure Alberta Water and Wastewater Program provincial funding prior to commencing with the project, and that the Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program provincial funding be deferred to 2007.

CARRIED

ADDITION: 9.d 45 Street Improvements

Councillor Thompson mentioned that it seems that some of the base structure alongside the sidewalks along 45 Street in Fort Vermilion is settling and losing some of its structure.

ADDITION: 9.e Gravel Price Tompkins Pit

Councillor Driedger had some concerns regarding the gravel price of gravel sold from the Tompkins pit. Councillor Wardley stated that this is a service to the ratepayers that is offered at the same rate as private industry.

MOTION 06-292
Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the gravel price for gravel sold from the Tompkins pit be researched by administration and brought to the Operations and Financial committee.

CARRIED

ADDITION: 9.f La Crete and Fort Vermilion Road Improvements 2006

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MOTION 06-293

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the contract for the La Crete and Fort Vermilion Road Improvements – 2006 project be awarded to Knelsen Sand & Gravel for \$2,256,985.00 with the addition of a wider sidewalk.

CARRIED

ADDITION:

9.g Gravel Tender

MOTION 06-294

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That a gravel crushing tender be pursued with the following alternatives:

- A three year supply of gravel over three years with a condition that enough gravel be crushed in all municipal pits for each regravelling season throughout the three years, or;
- A three year supply of gravel over one year, and that the site work and preparation be added as a deletable item.

DEFEATED

ADDITION:

9.h Buffalo Head Prairie Intersection

MOTION 06-295

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That both options for the Buffalo Head Prairie Intersection be brought forward to the community in a public meeting for their input.

CARRIED

RECESS

The Reeve called for a recess at 7:35 p.m.
The meeting was reconvened at 7:45 p.m.

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

10.a Municipal Planning Workshop

MOTION 06-296

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That all members of the Municipal Planning Commission be reimbursed for their attendance at the April 12, 2006 training

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workshop in Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

10.b Upgrade of Highway 697 and La Crete North Access Road Intersection

MOTION 06-297

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a letter be written to John Engleder, Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation, requesting that they provide the pavement for the Highway 697, La Crete North Access Road, and Range Road 15-1 upgrade.

CARRIED

10.c Land Use Bylaw Amendment Process

MOTION 06-298

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That the Land Use Bylaw Amendment Process be received for information.

CARRIED

10.d Development Process

MOTION 06-299

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Development Process be received for information.

CARRIED

10.e Subdivision Process

MOTION 06-300

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That the Subdivision Process be received for information.

CARRIED

10.f La Crete Minor Hockey Association

MOTION 06-301

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That a letter of support be written to La Crete Minor Hockey Association for hosting the 2007 Bantam Provincials.

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CARRIED

ADDITION: 10.g Hazard Control within Hamlet Boundaries

Councillor Thompson pointed out a fire hazard within the Hamlet boundaries in the middle of residential lots. Paul Driedger will take a look into this problem.

ADDITION: 10.h Bylaw Enforcement

Councillor Wardley requested that the unsightly premises bylaw be enforced as it does not seem to be being enforced currently. Paul Driedger stated that the enforcement officers are currently mapping out these unsightly areas for enforcement.

There is currently no bylaw that deals with unsightly and vacant buildings. Paul Driedger will look into issue.

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

11.a Bylaw 555/06 Offsite Levy

MOTION 06-302
Bylaw 555/06 Offsite Levy
Second Reading
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That second reading be given to Bylaw 555/06 being a bylaw to establish an offsite levy for sewer services.

CARRIED

MOTION 06-303
Bylaw 555/06 Offsite Levy
Third Reading
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That third reading be given to Bylaw 555/06 being a bylaw to establish an offsite levy for sewer services.

CARRIED

11.b Community Aggregate Payment Levy Bylaw 569/06

MOTION 06-304
Bylaw 569/06
Community Aggregate
Third Reading
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That third reading be given to Bylaw 569/06, being a Community Aggregate Payment Levy bylaw.

CARRIED

11.c Human Resources Coordinator

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MOTION 06-305

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Organizational Chart be amended to include the Human Resource Coordinator position.

TABLED

MOTION 06-306

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Neudorf

That motion 06-305 be tabled until a Chief Administrative Officer is hired.

CARRIED

11.d 2006 Budget Revision

MOTION 06-307

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2006 Budget be amended as presented.

CARRIED

RECESS

The Reeve called for a recess at 8:42 p.m.
The meeting was reconvened at 8:58 p.m.

11.e Tax Rate Bylaw 571/06

MOTION 06-308

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the tax rate bylaw be brought back to the next council meeting with the combined mill rates for 2006 being equal to 2005 combined mill rates.

CARRIED

11.f Actions to Effective Communications Workshop

MOTION 06-309

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the "Actions to Effective Communications Workshop" be postponed.

CARRIED

MOTION 06-310

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

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That the Forest Education Workshop be added to the agenda.

CARRIED

ADDITION: **Forest Education Workshop**

MOTION 06-311 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That all council members be authorized to attend the Forest Education Workshop.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA: **12**

MOTION 06-312 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Council give consideration to go in camera at 9:35 p.m. in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to discuss:

- 12.a Personnel
- 12.b La Crete MD Office Building Negotiations.

CARRIED

MOTION 06-313 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Council comes out of camera at 10:37 p.m.

CARRIED

ADDITION: **12.b La Crete MD Office Building Negotiations**

MOTION 06-314 **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger
Unanimous

That the La Crete MD Office Building Task Force be given approval to proceed with negotiations as discuss for the Mustus Lake Center in La Crete.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE: **13.a Regular Council Meeting:**
Tuesday, May 9, 2006
10:00 a.m. Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion

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ADJOURNMENT: **Call for Adjournment**

14.a

MOTION 06-315 **MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the regular Council meeting of Wednesday, April 26, 2006 be adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on May 9, 2006.

(signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)
Mary Jane Driedger, Acting Executive
Assistant