

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

**Seminar Room, Fort Vermilion School Division Central Office  
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

**Tuesday, August 21, 2001**

**PRESENT:**

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

**ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

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

Minutes of the regular Council meeting for the Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23 held on Tuesday, August 21, 2001, in the Seminar Room of the Fort Vermilion School Division Central Office, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the Council meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

**AGENDA:**                    2.     a)     **Items to Add or Delete from the Agenda**

Council made amendments to the agenda.

2.     b)     **Adoption of the Agenda**

**MOTION 01-404     MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That the agenda be adopted as amended by adding the following items:

- 11d) Director of Corporate Services Report
- 11e) Policy ADM029 – Vehicle Allowance Policy
- 11f) Income Statement, Variance Report, Budget Actual Spending Report
- 11g) F11 Timber Allocation
- 11h) Eighth Annual Physician Recruitment Fairs
- 11i) Council Meeting Dates
- 11j) Storm Sewer Funding
- 10b) Agricultural Fieldman's Report
- 10c) Intensive Livestock Operations (ILO) Task Force
- 10d) Impacts of the Farm Income Crisis Request for Member Assistance
- 12d) Proposed Walkway between Heimstead Lodge and La Crete Continuing Care Centre
- 13a) Town of High Level Revenue Sharing Agreement.

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF  
THE PREVIOUS  
MINUTES:**

3.     a)     **Minutes of the July 17, 2001  
Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**MOTION 01-405     MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the minutes of the July 17, 2001 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

3. b) **Minutes of the July 17, 2001  
Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 01-406** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the minutes of the July 17, 2001 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
OUT OF THE  
MINUTES:**

4. a)

There were no items under this heading.

**DELEGATIONS:** 5. a) **Integrated Resource Management Plan**

Reeve Neufeld welcomed Harry Archibald from Integrated Resource Management Unit Ecosystem Specialist, to the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

Harry Archibald discussed the history and the process of Regional Integrated Resource Management, current issues and trends. Main issues are increasing levels of use, full timber allocations, few undisturbed areas left, cumulative effects, management disposition, no comprehensive planning, pressure to reduce regulatory burden & increase policy and regulatory certainty, and higher expectations. A document called Alberta's Commitment to Sustainable Resource and Environmental Management is available on the web. Regional Strategy programs will be developed across the province.

Alberta Energy and Economic Development and government directors should be involved with this type of program, government directors are core to the program. The province will provide funding for regional strategy programs.

Reeve Neufeld thanked Harry Archibald, who then left the Council table at 1:49 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING: 6.**      a)      **Bylaw 263/01 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment  
Agricultural 1 “A1” to Country Residential “CR”  
SE 09-110-19-W5M**

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 263/01 to order at 1:59 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 263/01 was properly advertised. Paul Driedger answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. Paul Driedger presented the Development Authority’s submission.

Reeve Neufeld asked if a submission was received from the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency. Paul Driedger highlighted the Subdivision Authority’s submission.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council had any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. There were no questions.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 263/01. Paul Driedger read the two submissions that were received, one from Paul Steffanson and one from the Town of High Level.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 263/01. There was no indication that anyone present wished to speak.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 263/01 at 2:11 p.m.

**PLANNING AND  
EMERGENCY  
SERVICES:**

8. a) **Bylaw 263/01 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment  
Agricultural 1 “A1” to Country Residential “CR”  
SE 09-110-19-W5M**

**MOTION 01-407**  
Bylaw 263/01  
Second Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That second reading be given to Bylaw 263/01 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone SE 9-110-19-W5M from Agricultural 1 “A1” to Country Residential “CR”.

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION 01-408**

**MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That Administration work with the developer regarding the proposed development after the inter-municipal development plan has been established.

**CARRIED**

**COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE AND  
CAO REPORTS:**

7. a) **Council Committee Reports**

Councillors presented the Council Committee reports as follows:

Councillor Rosenberger reported on the AAMD&C Zone meeting in Valley View on August 10, topics of discussion were Memorandums of Understanding (MOU's), veterinarian shortages, transportation and resolution for the fall convention. The Regional Economic Development Initiative (REDI) bylaws have been drafted; funding for REDI is available from the province; REDI received a letter of support from the Peace River Economic Development Association (PREDA). Reeve Neufeld reported on the AAMD&C Zone meeting in Valleyview on August 10, topics of discussion were Intensive Livestock including that the province is taking over this area and the shortage of veterinarians in Alberta; and that linear property may be taken away from rural municipalities.

Councillor Kulscar reported that the Assessment Review Board (ARB) would like a fee established for filing an assessment appeal but that the fee be refunded if the appeal is withdrawn in writing or the appellant shows up at the hearing.

Councillor Thiessen reported on the Regional Landfill meeting, the Committee reviewed three proposals to upgrade the landfill to treat contaminated waste.

Councillor Wieler reported no meetings.

Councillor Sarapuk reported on the North Peace Tribal Council booth at the Trade Fair in High Level.

Councillor Bateman reported on the AAMD&C Zone meeting in Valleyview and discussed insufficient veterinary education facilities suggesting that the province should consider opening veterinary educational facilities in Alberta. This topic should be discussed at the AAMD&C fall convention.

Councillor Newman reported on the Fish and Wildlife Committee, which is now named the Upper Hay Recreation Advisory Committee. All Committee meetings will be advertised and public input will be welcomed but only local issues will be discussed. Committee costs will be borne by the three participating municipalities. The Mayors and Reeve asking to extend hunting season for moose will send letters to the MLA and Minister. Four public meetings will be held this fall. Councillor Newman also reported on the Walking Trail Committee meeting where topics of discussion were extension of sidewalks in the hamlets, who will provide maintenance and alternate fund raising considered. Councillor Newman also attended the Agricultural Service Board meeting.

Councillor Peters informed Council that the Agricultural Service Board will be hosting information meetings at the Fort Vermilion Community Centre in November. The ASB will do a history presentation of the area.

Councillor Driedger reported on the Mackenzie Housing Management Board meeting and that the renovations are proceeding well.

Councillor Driedger also reported on the AAMD&C Zone meeting in Valleyview; there is a need for veterinary education facilities in Alberta and there will be a shortage of veterinarians for the next 15 years.

**MOTION 01-409**     **MOVED** by Councillor Peters

That the Council Committee reports be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**7. b) CAO Report**

Harvey Prockiw presented the CAO report.

**MOTION 01-410** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the Chief Administrative Officer's report be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**PLANNING AND  
EMERGENCY  
SERVICES:**

**8. b) Bylaw 269/01 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment  
Technical Change to the Land Use Bylaw  
under Section 3.1**

**MOTION 01-411** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler  
Bylaw 269/01  
First Reading

That first reading be given to 269/01 being a technical amendment to the M.D. of Mackenzie Land Use Bylaw.

**CARRIED**

**8. c) Bylaw 270/01 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment  
Technical Change to the Land Use Bylaw  
under Section 4.35**

**MOTION 01-412** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler  
Bylaw 270/01  
First Reading

That first reading be given to Bylaw 270/01 being a technical amendment to the M.D. of Mackenzie Land Use Bylaw.

**DEFEATED**

8. d) **Bylaw 271/01 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment  
Agricultural 1 “A1” to Country Residential “CR”  
NW 31-109-18-W5M**

**MOTION 01-413**  
Bylaw 271/01  
First Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That first reading be given to Bylaw 271/01 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NW 31-109-18-W5M from Agricultural District 1 “A1” to Country Residential District 1 “RC”.

**CARRIED**

8. e) **Bylaw 272/01 – Rescinding 179/99  
Municipal Parks Bylaw  
Adding “No Swimming” Portion**

**MOTION 01-414**  
Bylaw 272/01  
First Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That first reading be given to Bylaw 272/01 being a bylaw to provide for the control and operation of parks, campgrounds and other public areas within Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 01-415**  
Bylaw 272/01  
Second Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That second reading be given to Bylaw 272/01 being a bylaw to provide for the control and operation of parks, campgrounds and other public areas within Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 01-416**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That Council give consideration to go to third reading of Bylaw 272/01 being a bylaw to provide for the control and operation of parks, campgrounds and other public areas within Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, at this meeting.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 01-417**  
Bylaw 272/01  
Third Reading

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That third reading be given to Bylaw 272/01 being a bylaw to provide for the control and operation of parks, campgrounds and other public areas within Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23, at this time.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 01-418**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Zama Fish Pond and the Mighty Peace Fish and Game Association's Fish Pond on the Highway 88 Connector be designated "No Swimming".

**CARRIED**

8. f) **Fort Vermilion Ambulance Building Addition**

**MOTION 01-419**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the written request from Aeromedical Emergency Services to construct an Addition to the Fort Vermilion Ambulance Building be received as information.

**CARRIED**

8. g) **Grandparents' Day September 9, 2001**

**MOTION 01-420**

**MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That September 9, 2001 be proclaimed Grandparents' Day in the M.D. of Mackenzie to honor grandparents and to show children the strength, wisdom and guidance that grandparents can offer.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:16 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld reconvened the meeting at 3:28 p.m.

8. f) **Director of Planning and Emergency Services Report**

**MOTION 01-421** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Director of Planning and Emergency Services report be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES:**

9. a)

There were no items under this heading.

**AGRICULTURAL SERVICES:**

10. b) **Agricultural Fieldman's Report**

Chris Kelland presented the Agricultural Fieldman's report.

10. c) **Intensive Livestock Operations (ILO) Task Force**

The Town of High Level has requested the M.D. to ask the Town of High Level to appoint a member to the Intensive Livestock Operations Task Force.

**MOTION 01-422** **MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That a letter be written to the Town of High Level asking them to appoint a member to the Intensive Livestock Operations Task Force.

**CARRIED**

10. d) **Impacts of the Farm Income Crisis  
Request for Member Assistance**

**MOTION 01-423** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the Impacts of the Farm Income Crisis document be accepted as information

**CARRIED**

10. a) **River Road Slope Stabilization Contract**

**MOTION 01-424** **MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That the 2001 Capital Budget be amended by increasing the River Road project to \$183,000 with increased funding of \$71,000 coming from Drainage Reserves.

**CARRIED** **by two-thirds majority vote**

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

11. a) **M.D. of Mackenzie Regional Library Board – Bylaw**

**MOTION 01-425** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Bylaws of the M.D. of Mackenzie Regional Library Board be received as presented.

**CARRIED**

11. b) **High Level Trade Show 2001 Opening Ceremony**

**MOTION 01-426** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the Reeve be authorized to represent the M.D. of Mackenzie at the High Level Trade Show on September 21-22, 2001.

**CARRIED**

11. c) **Northern Alberta Highways Strategy**

**MOTION 01-427** **MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

That a letter of support be written to the Northern Alberta Development Council for its proposed Northern Alberta Highways Strategy.

**CARRIED**

11. d) **Director of Corporate Services Report**

Bill Landiuk presented the Director of Corporate Services report.

11. e) **Policy ADM029 – Vehicle Allowance Policy**

**MOTION 01-428** **MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That Policy ADM029, being the Vehicle Allowance policy, be brought forward to the 2002 budget meetings.

**CARRIED**

11. f) **Income Statement, Variance Report  
Budget Actual Spending Report**

**MOTION 01-429** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the Income Statement, Variance Report and Budget Actual Spending Report, be accepted as information.

**CARRIED**

11. g) **F11 Timber Allocation**

**MOTION 01-430** **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the letter regarding the F11 Timber Allocation be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

11. h) **Eighth Annual Physician Recruitment Fairs**

**MOTION 01-431** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That the Eighth Annual Physician Recruitment Fairs document be accepted as information.

**CARRIED**

11. i) **Council Meeting Dates**

**MOTION 01-432** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the September 18, October 2 and October 16, 2001 Committee of the Whole and Council meetings be cancelled and that the meetings be re-scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 2001 in the Council Chambers of the Mustus Lake Center in La Crete with the Committee of the Whole meeting commencing at 4:00 p.m. and the regular Council meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. and Tuesday, October 9, 2001 in the Seminar Room of the Fort Vermilion School Division Central Office with the Committee of the Whole meeting commencing at 10:00 a.m. and the regular Council meeting commencing at 1:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

11. j) **Storm Sewer Funding**

**MOTION 01-433** **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the M.D. of Mackenzie fund the construction of storm sewers and that administration bring the funding proposal forward at the 2002 budget meetings.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

12. a) **Alberta Transportation Resource Road/  
New Industry Program**

**MOTION 01-434** **MOVED** by Councillor Wieler

That Highway 88 Connector Project No. 1 (11 km of construction from Highway 88 Junction, west) be approved as the first priority under the Resource Road/New Industry Program and that administration be directed to submit appropriate application for grant funding.

**CARRIED**

12. b) **Drainage Study and Local Streets  
Improvements in Fort Vermilion and La Crete**

**MOTION 01-435** **MOVED** by Councillor Kulscar

That the following three projects be suspended due to the change in project scope: the Fort Vermilion Street Improvement, 100A Street Paving as well as the 108 Street Paving in La Crete and that the projects be brought forward to the 2002 budget meeting.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 01-436**    **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the tendering of 45<sup>th</sup> street paving project in Fort Vermilion be added to the agenda.

**CARRIED**

12.    c)    **94<sup>th</sup> Ave East Extension – La Crete**

**MOTION 01-437**    **MOVED** by Councillor Peters

That motion 01-388 be rescinded, and further that the 2001 Capital Budget be amended by increasing the 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue East Extension – La Crete project (06-32-40-02) to \$125,000 funded out of the General Roads Reserve (04-32-713).

**CARRIED**    **by two-thirds majority vote**

12.    e)    **45<sup>th</sup> Street Paving in Fort Vermilion**

**MOTION 01-438**    **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the Fort Vermilion 45<sup>th</sup> Street Paving contract be awarded to Knelsen Sand & Gravel Ltd. Further, that the capital budget Fort Vermilion 45<sup>th</sup> Street Paving (06-32-30-37) be amended from \$231,000 to \$254,800.

**CARRIED**    **by two-thirds majority vote**

12.    d)    **Proposed Walkway**

**MOTION 01-439**    **MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the M.D. of Mackenzie allow the construction of a walkway in the utility lane between the Long Term Care Facility and the Heimstead Lodge in La Crete; further that the M.D. of Mackenzie pay for the cost of the sidewalk within the utility lane providing that Northwestern Health Services Region pay for the portion of sidewalk on their property.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 01-440** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That Council give consideration to go in camera at 5:22 p.m. to discuss issues pursuant to Section 23 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA  
SESSION:**

13. a) **Town of High Level Revenue Sharing Agreement**

**MOTION 01-441** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That Council come out of camera at 6:08 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 01-442** **MOVED** by Councillor Rosenberger

That the M.D. of Mackenzie make a revenue-sharing offer to the Town of High Level, as discussed.

Councillor Wieler requested a recorded vote.

**In Favour:**

Councillor Kulscar  
Councillor Rosenberger  
Councillor Driedger  
Councillor Bateman  
Councillor Sarapuk  
Councillor Peters

**Opposed:**

Reeve Neufeld  
Councillor Wieler  
Councillor Thiessen  
Councillor Newman

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:** 14. a) **Adjournment**

**MOTION 01-443** **MOVED** by Councillor Thiessen

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

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Bill Neufeld, Reeve

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Eva Schmidt, Executive Assistant