

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
SPECIAL COUNCIL (BUDGET) MEETING**

**January 13, 2014
10:00 a.m.**

**Fort Vermilion Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, AB**

PRESENT:	Bill Neufeld	Reeve
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	Jacque Bateman	Councillor
	Peter F. Braun	Councillor
	Elmer Derksen	Councillor
	John W. Driedger	Councillor
	Eric Jorgensen	Councillor (arrived at 10:23 a.m.)
	Josh Knelsen	Councillor
	Ricky Paul	Councillor
	Lisa Wardley	Councillor (arrived at 10:01 a.m.)

REGRETS:

ADMINISTRATION:	Joulia Whittleton	Chief Administrative Officer
	Alison Kilpatrick	Director of Corporate Services
	Bill Kostiw	Director of Infrastructure Development & Government Relations
	John Klassen	Director of Environmental Services
	Ron Pelensky	Director of Community Services & Operations
	Byron Peters	Director of Planning & Development
	Carol Gabriel	Manager of Legislative & Support Services

ALSO PRESENT: Member of the public.

Minutes of the Special Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on January 13, 2014 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA: **2. a) Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION 14-01-001 **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the agenda be approved with the following additions:

4. b) Delegation – Greg Newman, Mackenzie Applied

Research Association

CARRIED

Councillor Wardley joined the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

**MINUTES FROM
PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**3. a) December 18, 2013 Special Council (Budget) Meeting
Minutes**

MOTION 14-01-002

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the December 18, 2013 Special Council (Budget) Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS:

5. a) 2014 Operating & Capital Budget

Review of 2014 Operating Budget (page 19).

Review of draft 2014 Capital Budget (page 29).

Councillor Jorgensen joined the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

5. c) 2014 Grants to Organizations

Review of 2014 Grants to Organizations for Recreation Boards.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 11:06 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

DELEGATIONS:

4. a) John Curwin, Peace Officer – Town of Rainbow Lake

John Curwin, Peace Officer with the Town of Rainbow Lake introduced himself to Council. Mackenzie County has entered into an agreement with the Town of Rainbow for the provision of Peace Officer services within the boundaries of the Hamlet of La Crete.

Review and allocation of 2014 Grants to Other Organizations for Other Non-Profit Organizations.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:59 p.m.

Continued review and allocation of 2014 Grants to Other

Organizations for Other Non-Profit Organizations.

5. b) Water and Sewer Rates

Review of water and sewer rates (page 39).

MOTION 14-01-003

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the water and sewer rates be set at a 100% recovery rate effective March 1, 2014.

DEFEATED

MOTION 14-01-004

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the water and sewer rates be set at an 80% recovery rate effective March 1, 2014.

DEFEATED

MOTION 14-01-005

MOVED by Councillor Paul

That the water and sewer rates be set at a 90% recovery rate effective March 1, 2014.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

4. b) Greg Newman, Mackenzie Applied Research Association

Greg Newman, President, provided a financial update for the Mackenzie Applied Research Station.

MOTION 14-01-006

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council move in-camera to discuss the Mackenzie Applied Research Station lease agreement.

CARRIED

MOTION 14-01-007

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council move out of camera at 2:26 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 2:26 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

Review of revised capital budget following changes made under the Grants to Other Organizations and water and sewer rate adjustments.

Review of additional TCA projects as identified on page 34 and 35 to be funded under the FGTF and MSI grants and municipal taxes.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:44 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:53 p.m.

Continuation of the review of additional TCA projects as identified on page 34 and 35 to be funded under the FGTF and MSI grants and municipal taxes.

Councillor Derksen left the meeting at 4:15 p.m. and rejoined the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

MOTION 14-01-008

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Zama Access Road paving be identified as the first priority project should funding become available under the Resource Road Program or the Build Canada Fund and that administration work on plans to make this a “shovel ready project”.

CARRIED

MOTION 14-01-009

MOVED by Councillor Knelsen

That the Blue Hills Road paving to the school be identified as the second priority project should funding become available under the Build Canada Fund and that administration work on plans to make this a “shovel ready project”.

CARRIED

MOTION 14-01-010

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the regional water line between Fort Vermilion and High Level be identified as the first utility project should funding become available under the Build Canada Fund and that administration work on plans to make this a “shovel ready

project”.

CARRIED

MOTION 14-01-011

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2014 operating and capital budget be approved.

CARRIED

MOTION 14-01-012

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That a Notice of Motion be made to reconsider Motion 13-12-928 at the February 11, 2014 regular council meeting.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION: 6. a) **None**

NEXT MEETING DATE: 7. a) **None**

ADJOURNMENT: 8. a) **Adjournment**

MOTION 14-01-013

MOVED by Councillor Paul

That the Special Council meeting be adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved by Council on February 11, 2014.

(original signed)

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

(original signed)

Joulia Whittleton
Chief Administrative Officer

