

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, May 10, 2011
10:00 a.m.**

**Conference Room – La Crete County Office
La Crete, Alberta**

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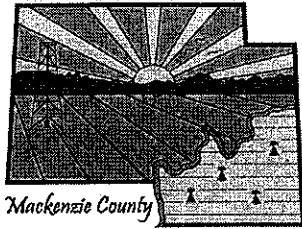
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**NEXT MEETING
DATE:**

16. a) Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 31, 2011
10:00 a.m.
Conference Room, La Crete County Office

ADJOURNMENT:

17. a) Adjournment



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	J. Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Minutes of the April 28, 2011 Regular Council Meeting

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Minutes of the April 28, 2011 Regular Council meeting are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the minutes of the April 28, 2011 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

Author: C. Gabriel

Review by: _____

CAO

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Thursday, April 28, 2011
10:00 a.m.**

**Conference Room
La Crete County Office, Alberta**

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Jacquie Bateman	Councillor
Peter F. Braun	Councillor
Elmer Derksen	Councillor
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Odell Flett	Councillor
Eric Jorgensen	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor

REGRETS:

ADMINISTRATION:

J. Roy Brideau	Chief Administrative Officer
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
John Klassen	Director of Operations South
Al Hoggan	Director of Operations North
Marion Krahn	Supervisor of Planning & Development
Don Roberts	Zama Site Manager
Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the media and the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on April 28, 2011 at the Conference Room, La Crete County Office, Alberta.

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 11-04-380 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

5. b) Nellie Klassen (Fire Invoice) – 1:00 p.m.

- 10. h) Premier's Golf Tournament
- 12. d) Move to In-Camera Discussion
- 15. e) Land Sales

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- 3. a) **Minutes of the April 12, 2011 Regular Council Meeting**

MOTION 11-04-381

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the April 12, 2011 Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

- 4. a) **None**

GENERAL REPORTS:

- 6. a) **Ad Hoc Lane Resolution Committee Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2011**

MOTION 11-04-382

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Ad Hoc Lane Resolution Committee meeting minutes of April 18, 2011 be received for information.

CARRIED

TENDERS:

- 8. a) **None**

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

- 9. a) **None**

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

- 10. a) **2011 Operating and Capital Budgets**

MOTION 11-04-383
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2011 operating and capital budgets be approved as amended.

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 11:07 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 11-04-384

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Policy FIN022 Budget Development be set aside for further review by staff.

CARRIED

10. b) Bylaw 812-11 2011 Tax Rate Bylaw

MOTION 11-04-385

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That first reading be given to Bylaw 812-11 being a tax rate bylaw for the Mackenzie County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 11-04-386

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That second reading be given to Bylaw 812-11 being a tax rate bylaw for the Mackenzie County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 11-04-387

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 812-11 being a tax rate bylaw for the Mackenzie County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 11-04-388

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That third reading be given to Bylaw 812-11 being a tax rate bylaw for the Mackenzie County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. c) Bylaw 810-11 Fee Schedule Bylaw

MOTION 11-04-389

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 810-11 being the Fee Schedule Bylaw as amended.

CARRIED

MOTION 11-04-390
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Bylaw 810-11 being the Fee Schedule Bylaw be amended as follows:

- No travel time costs
- Provincial Roadways Incidents ONLY- \$400 per hour
- Remove \$5,000 maximum charge per incident

DEFEATED

MOTION 11-04-391
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Bylaw 810-11 being the Fee Schedule Bylaw be amended as follows:

- No travel time costs
- Provincial Roadways Incidents ONLY- \$400 per hour

CARRIED

MOTION 11-04-392
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 810-11 being the Fee Schedule Bylaw.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

5. b) Nellie Klassen (Fire Invoice) – 1:00 p.m.

MOTION 11-04-393

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That the request to waive fire invoice #10941 (N. Klassen) be corrected as per the County's Fire Services Bylaw 684/08.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) Bylaw 801-11 Road Closure of FRD 570002 NW 6-104-14-W5M, SW 6-104-14-W5M and SE 6-104-14 W5M (Old Buffalo Head Prairie Tower Road)

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 801-11 to order at 1:26 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 801-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed road closure bylaw. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on March 8, 2011.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed road closure bylaw. General questions were asked regarding location, liability and previous road authority.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 801-11. No written submissions were received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 801-11. William Klassen commented that he has no objection with the road closure however would like to see it remain as a historical trail.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 801-11 at 1:31 p.m.

MOTION 11-04-394

MOVED by Councilor Flett

That administration move forward with Bylaw 801-11, being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure and abandonment of Part of Forestry Road Designation 570002 lying within NW 6-104-14-W5M, SW 6-104-14-W5M and SE 6-104-14-W5M.

CARRIED

7. b) Bylaw 802-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Plan 4974KS, Lot L from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Public/Institutional District "HP" (Fort Vermilion)

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 802-11 to order at 1:31 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw

802-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development, 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. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on March 30, 2011.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has 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 802-11. No submissions were received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 802-11. There was no one present to speak to the proposed bylaw.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 802-11 at 1:33 p.m.

MOTION 11-04-395

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That second reading be given to Bylaw 802-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 4974KS, Lot L from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Public/Institutional District "HP".

CARRIED

MOTION 11-04-396

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 802-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 4974KS, Lot L from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Public/Institutional District "HP".

CARRIED

7. c) Bylaw 804-11 Road Closure Lying Between SE 13-104-18-W5M and NE 12-104-18-W5M (Blue Hills)

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 804-11 to

order at 1:34 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 804-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed road closure bylaw. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on March 30, 2011.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed land use bylaw amendment. Questions were asked regarding the purchase of the road allowance.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 804-11. No submissions were received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 804-11. The applicant was present and indicated that the County should sell him the lands at fair market value.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 804-11 at 1:41 p.m.

MOTION 11-04-397

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That administration move forward with Bylaw 804-11, being a road closure bylaw for the closure and sale of the Government Road Allowance lying north of NE 12-104-18-W5M.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 1:44 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) Wilde & Company (2010 Year End Financial Statements) – 1:30 p.m.

Kyle A. Bodnarchuk, CA, with Wilde & Company presented the 2010 audited financial statements to Council via teleconference.

10. e) 2010 Audited Financial Statements

MOTION 11-04-398
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the 2010 Audited Financial Statements be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. d) Bylaw 811-11 Fire Services Bylaw

MOTION 11-04-399
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That second reading be given to Bylaw 811-11 being the Fire Services bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 11-04-400
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That third reading be given to Bylaw 811-11 being the Fire Services bylaw.

CARRIED

**10. f) Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society
(Victim Support Unit)**

MOTION 11-04-401

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council appoints a representative to the Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society.

CARRIED

MOTION 11-04-402

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That Councillor Flett be appointed to represent the County on the Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society.

CARRIED

10. g) 2011 Ratepayers Meetings

MOTION 11-04-403

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the 2011 annual ratepayer meetings be held as follows:

- June 6, 2011 – La Crete
- June 7, 2011 – High Level/Rocky Lane
- June 21, 2011 – Fort Vermilion
- June 23, 2011 – Zama
- June 27, 2011 – Blue Hills

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. h) Premier's Golf Tournament (ADDITION)

MOTION 11-04-404
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Flett

That Councillor D. Driedger, the Reeve and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to attend the Premier's Golf Tournament on June 17, 2011 in Vegreville.

CARRIED

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

11. a) Wadlin Lake Beach Construction

MOTION 11-04-405

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Wadlin Lake Beach Construction be awarded to Total Harvesting for a total bid of \$43,700.00; and for the work to commence after September 16, 2011.

CARRIED

11. b) Rural Water Line Future Expansion

MOTION 11-04-406

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the rural waterline future expansion option 1 and option 2 will not be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

11. c) Heavy Equipment Operator Training

MOTION 11-04-407

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the heavy equipment operator training be TABLED for further information.

DEFEATED

MOTION 11-04-408

MOVED by Councillor Jorgensen

That administration be authorized to engage a training firm to provide certified training to all Mackenzie County grader/equipment operators (16 personnel) and that the budget be amended to include a maximum of \$14,000.00 with funding coming from the General Operating Reserve.

Councillor Derksen requested a recorded vote.

In Favor:

Councilor Flett
Councilor Jorgensen
Councillor Wardley
Reeve Neufeld
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk
Councillor D. Driedger
Councilor Bateman
Councillor Braun

Opposed:

Councillor Derksen
Councillor J. Driedger

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT:**

12. a) Bylaw 791-10 Land Use Bylaw

MOTION 11-04-409

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Planning Department be directed to proceed with the amendment and completion of Land Use Bylaw 791-10 as presented.

CARRIED

**EMERGENCY &
ENFORCEMENT
SERVICES:**

13. a) Request to Waive a Fire Incident Invoice 10972

MOTION 11-04-410

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the request to waive fire invoice #10972 (W. Schmidt) be

received for information.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION /
CORRESPONDENCE:**

14. a) Information/Correspondence Items

MOTION 11-04-411

MOVED by Councillor Flett

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

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 11-04-412

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 3:54 p.m.

- 15. a) Alberta Health Services
- 15. b) Rural Water Line Truck Fill Location
- 15. c) Rural Water Line Contract Amendment
- 15. d) Land Sales
- (2. b) La Crete Motel Laneway

CARRIED

MOTION 11-04-413

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 5:22 p.m.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

15. a) Alberta Health Services

MOTION 11-04-414

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Alberta Health Services update be received for information.

CARRIED

15. b) Rural Water Line Truck Fill Location

MOTION 11-04-415

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That administration be authorized to proceed with the Rural Water Line Truck Fill Stations as discussed.

CARRIED

15. c) Rural Water Line Contract Amendment

MOTION 11-04-416

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration be directed to meet with the engineers and the contractor to amend the current rural water line contract, eliminating the CC valve installation and diverting the additional funds to construction of a branch (lateral).

CARRIED

12. b) La Crete Motel Laneway

MOTION 11-04-417

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That administration be authorized to enter into lease agreements for Plan 982 0781, Block 4, Lot 5 as discussed.

CARRIED

15. d) Land Sales (ADDITION)

MOTION 11-04-418
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That the land sale update be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 11-04-419

Moved by Councillor Wardley

That a letter with supporting information regarding the proposed conservation areas be sent to all County industry partners.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEXT MEETING DATE:

16. a) Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 10, 2011
10:00 a.m.

Conference Room, La Crete County Office

ADJOURNMENT: 17. a) **Adjournment**

MOTION 11-04-420 **MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That the regular council meeting be adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

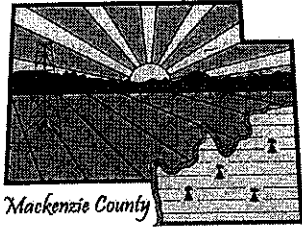
CARRIED

These minutes will be presented to Council for approval on May 10, 2011.

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

J. Roy Bideau
Chief Administrative Officer

UNAPPROVED



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	J. Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	DELEGATION S/Sgt. Tom Love, Fort Vermilion RCMP – 1:00 p.m.

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

See attached month end report for April 2011.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the report by S/Sgt. Tom Love, Fort Vermilion RCMP, be received for information.

Author: C. Gabriel

Review by: _____

CAO

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

Fort Vermilion Detachment
Mackenzie Regional Enhanced Position

Month End Report for April 2011:

The RCMP Mackenzie County Enhance Position members were scheduled to work a total of 344 hours this month dedicated to the La Crete area. A total of 248 of those hours were fulfilled. The difference in those hours were due to one of the Mackenzie Regional members who had to go to RCMP Depot at Regina, SK, to receive training.

During this reporting period the Fort Vermilion Detachment area received a total of 160 calls for service. 58 of which were received and investigated in the La Crete area.

55 Provincial Violation Tickets were issued this month for offences under the Traffic Safety Act, Use of the Rules and Road Regulations, Vehicle Equipment Regulations and etc.

Enhanced Position Members files other than Provincial tickets:

6 - Assaults

2 - Assault with a weapon

1 - Crime Prevention

3 - Lost/found property

1 - Mischief

18 - Driving complaints

5 - Collisions

3 - Assist Provincial agency - 911 hang up

1 - Aggravated assault

2 - Disturbing the Peace

1 - Fire prevention act

1 - Property obtained by crime

Fort Vermilion Members files taken in and assisted with the Mackenzie County Enhance Position area:

- 1 - Dangerous Driving
- 1 - Mental Health Act
- 1 - Disturbing the peace
- 3 - Assault with a weapon
- 1 - 911 hang up
- 1 - Town by-law
- 2 - Driving Complaints

This approximately equals 200 hours of work in La Crete from members not mandated to Mackenzie County Enhanced Position.

This would put the total hours of Mackenzie County Enhanced Position, and non-enhanced RCMP members hours to 448 hours, 104 hours over and above the scheduled 344 hours devoted to La Crete.

Mackenzie Regional Enhanced Position Members:

Constable Devron Dittmer

Constable Robert Olive (2011-04-01 to 2011-04-20)

Constable Nathan Bruce (2011-04-21 to Present)

Submitted by: Devron Dittmer, Constable

Reviewed by T.R. Love, S/Sgt. NCO Fort Vermilion

**Fort Vermilion/Fox Lake Rural Detachment
Statistical Comparison of April and Year to Date
Year 2010 - 2011**

Thursday, May 05, 2011

CATEGORY	2010		2011		% Change	
	Apr-10	YTD	Apr-11	YTD	April	YTD
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Offences Related to Death	0	3	0	0	0.0%	-100.0%
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Sexual Assaults	1	17	1	4	0.0%	-76.5%
Other Sexual Offences	1	13	2	4	100.0%	-69.2%
Assault	6	67	27	71	350.0%	6.0%
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction	0	1	0	2	0.0%	100.0%
Extortion	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Criminal Harassment	1	7	2	16	100.0%	128.6%
Uttering Threats	3	17	7	13	133.3%	-23.5%
Other Persons	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
TOTAL PERSONS	12	125	39	110	225.0%	-12.0%
Break & Enter	2	9	4	15	100.0%	66.7%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	6	14	2	9	-66.7%	-35.7%
Theft Over	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Theft Under	3	10	0	7	-100.0%	-30.0%
Possn Stn Goods	0	1	1	1	100.0%	0.0%
Fraud	0	7	0	3	0.0%	-57.1%
Arson	0	2	0	2	0.0%	0.0%
Mischief To Property	18	63	17	60	-5.6%	-4.8%
TOTAL PROPERTY	29	106	24	97	-17.2%	-8.5%
Offensive Weapons	0	5	0	1	0.0%	-80.0%
Public Order	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE	23	133	24	66	4.3%	-50.4%
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE	23	138	24	67	4.3%	-51.4%
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE	64	369	87	274	35.9%	-25.7%
Drug Enforcement - Production	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Drug Enforcement - Possession	2	3	0	4	-100.0%	33.3%
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking	3	6	1	1	-66.7%	-83.3%
Drug Enforcement - Other	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Total Drugs	5	9	1	5	-80.0%	-44.4%
Federal - General	0	12	0	4	0.0%	-66.7%
TOTAL FEDERAL	5	21	1	9	-80.0%	-57.1%
Liquor Act	1	5	0	0	-100.0%	-100.0%
Other Provincial Stats	20	76	5	32	-75.0%	-57.9%
Total Provincial Stats	21	81	5	32	-76.2%	-60.5%
Municipal By-laws Traffic	0	0	2	3	200.0%	300.0%
Municipal By-laws	2	6	1	2	-50.0%	-66.7%
Total Municipal	2	6	3	5	50.0%	-16.7%
Fatals	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Injury MVAS	2	5	0	2	-100.0%	-60.0%
Property Damage MVAS (Reportable)	5	41	9	44	80.0%	7.3%
Property Damage MVAS (Non Reportable)	4	8	0	4	-100.0%	-50.0%
TOTAL MVAS	11	54	9	50	-18.2%	-7.4%
Provincial Traffic	29	176	59	216	103.4%	22.7%
Other Traffic	2	9	0	12	-100.0%	33.3%
Criminal Code Traffic	1	21	2	16	100.0%	-23.8%
Common Police Activities						
False Alarms	5	18	1	8	-80.0%	-55.6%
False/Abandoned 911 Call	17	3	13	47	-23.5%	1466.7%

Thursday, May 05, 2011

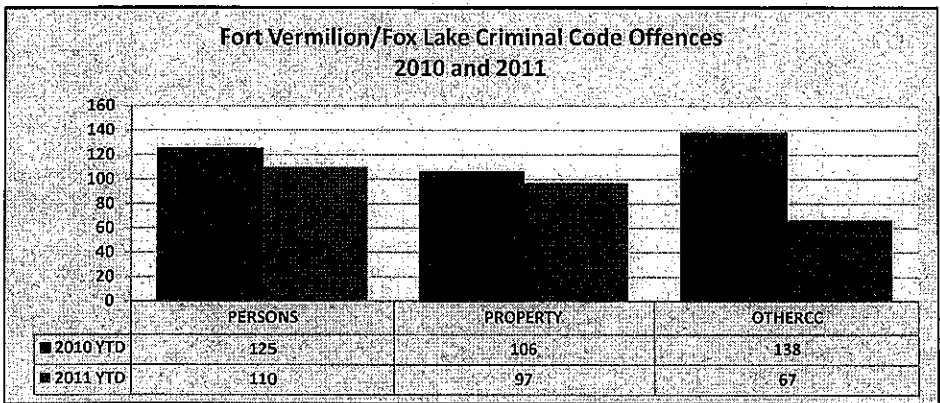
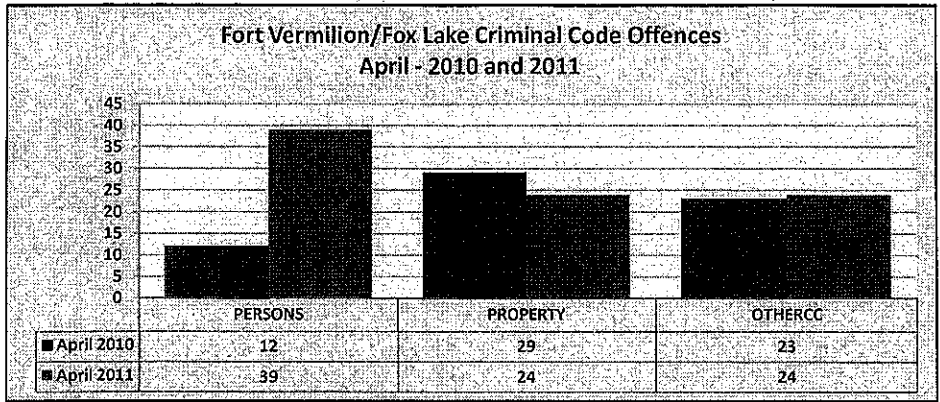
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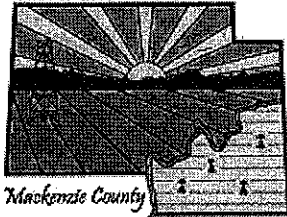
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CRIMINAL CODE PERSONS	12	39	225.0%
CRIMINAL CODE PROPERTY	29	24	-17.2%
CRIMINAL CODE OTHER	23	24	4.3%
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE	64	87	35.9%

CATEGORY TOTALS	2010 - YTD	2011 - YTD	% Change
CRIMINAL CODE PERSONS	125	110	-12.0%
CRIMINAL CODE PROPERTY	106	97	-8.5%
CRIMINAL CODE OTHER	138	67	-51.4%
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE	369	274	-25.7%

CLEARANCE RATES	Apr-10	Apr-11
CRIMINAL CODE PERSONS	108%	95%
CRIMINAL CODE PROPERTY	55%	88%
CRIMINAL CODE OTHER	74%	79%
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE	72%	89%

CLEARANCE RATES	2010 - YTD	2011 - YTD
CRIMINAL CODE PERSONS	98%	91%
CRIMINAL CODE PROPERTY	70%	79%
CRIMINAL CODE OTHER	93%	88%
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE	88%	86%





MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development
Title:	Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – April 4, 2011

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Information item. The adopted minutes of the April 4, 2011 Municipal Planning Commission meeting are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of April 4, 2011 be received for information.

Author: C. Friesen **Reviewed By:** M. Krahn **CAO**

**Mackenzie County
Municipal Planning Commission Meeting**

**Mackenzie County Office
La Crete, Alberta**

Monday, April 4, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT

Jack Eccles	Chair, MPC Member
John W. Driedger	Vice-Chair, Councillor
Elmer Derksen	Councillor
Danny Friesen	MPC Member (via teleconference)
Wally Schroeder	MPC Member
Marion Krahn	Supervisor of Planning and Development
Cathy Friesen	Assistant Development Officer

ABSENT

Liane Lambert	Development Officer
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Jack Eccles called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 11-052 **MOVED** by Danny

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

4c) Development Permit Time Extension Application 15-DP-10
George and Mary Penner; Automotive Repair Shop
NW 2-107-14-W5M; Wolfe Lake Road

CARRIED

3. MINUTES

a) Adoption of Minutes

MOTION 11-053 **MOVED** by Wally Schroeder

That the minutes of the March 18, 2011 Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

b) Business Arising from Previous Minutes

No business arising from previous minutes.

4. DEVELOPMENT

**a) Development Permit Application 39-DP-11
Gloria Peters; Home Based Business (Body Sugaring)
Plan 792 1881, Block 15, Lot 6; La Crete**

MOTION 11-054 MOVED by Wally Schroeder

That Development Permit 39-DP-11 on Plan 792 1881, Block 15, Lot 6 in the name of Gloria Peters be APPROVED with the following conditions:

Failure to comply with one or more of the attached conditions shall render this permit Null and Void

1. This permit may be revoked at any time, if, in the opinion of the Development Authority, the Home Based Business has become detrimental or otherwise incompatible with the amenities of the neighborhood.
2. Comply with applicable legislation under the Public Health Act and obtain the appropriate approvals prior to commencement of development. Contact the Health Inspector at 780-841-3275.
3. The Home Based Business shall not involve the storage of goods in the public view, a change in appearance of the residence or its accessory buildings.
4. Shall not employ any employees who do not reside on-site.
5. An unlighted sign to identify the Home Based Business may be placed on the exterior of the Single Detached Dwelling and the sign shall not exceed 1.1 meters (12 square feet).
6. At all times, the privacy of the adjacent dwellings shall be preserved and the Home Based Business shall not unduly offend the surrounding residents by way of excessive lighting, noise, traffic, congestion, late visitations by clients, etcetera.

7. The municipality has assigned the following address to the noted property 10105-104 Street. You are required to display the address (10105) to be clearly legible from the street and be on a contrasting background. The minimum size of the characters shall be four inches in height.
8. This permit approval is subject to the access to the property being constructed to County standards. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Operational Services Department for Mackenzie County at 780-928-3983. Access to be constructed at the developers' expense.
9. The Developer shall at all times comply with all applicable Federal, Provincial and Municipal legislation and regulations and County Bylaws and resolutions relating to the development of the lands.

CARRIED

- b) **Development Permit Application 42-DP-11
Sureline Carpentry; Automotive Equipment Sales and/or
Services and Repair Shop – Commercial and Industrial
Vehicles and Equipment
Plan 072 7718, Block 2, Lot 1; La Crete**

MOTION 11-055 **MOVED** by Elmer Derksen

That Development Permit 42-DP-11 on Plan 072 7718, Block 2, Lot 1 in the name of Sureline Carpentry be APPROVED with the following conditions:

Failure to comply with one or more of the attached conditions shall render this permit Null and Void

1. This permit approval is subject to approval from the Alberta Motor Vehicle Industry Council (AMVIC). The developer is required to obtain written approval from the Alberta Motor Vehicle Industry Council regarding the proposed development prior to commencement of the development. Failure to do so shall render this permit Null and Void.

2. **All conditions and requirements by the Alberta Motor Vehicle Industry Council are to be met to their specifications and standards.**
3. Minimum building setbacks are: 9.1 meters (30 feet) east and north yard; 3.0 meters (10 feet) rear (west) yard; 5.78 meters (19 feet) south side yard, from the property lines. The south side yard setback is required as a result of the proposed southerly overhead garage door and onsite access into and out of the building using the same.
4. **Primary access onto the lands shall be via 95th Street. The proposed access shall be a minimum of 6.1 meters (20 feet) from the 95th Street/La Crete Access North intersection or the setback required by the Mackenzie County Operational Services Department, whichever is greater.**
5. **This permit approval is subject to the access to the property being constructed to County standards. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Operational Services Department for Mackenzie County at 780-928-3983. Access to be constructed at the developers' expense.**
6. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking standards are 1 space per 45 square meters of building area, which in this case is 29 public parking stalls, 1 space per each full time employee and 1 space for every 2 part time employees. *"One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy 27.87 square meters (300 square feet)."*
7. **The display of merchandise/automobiles shall be contained within the property lines of the subject lands and shall not impede visibility for vehicular and/or pedestrian traffic.**
8. The municipality has assigned the following address to the noted property 10704-95th Street. You are required to display the address (10704) to be clearly legible from the street and be on a contrasting background. The minimum size of the characters shall be four inches in height.
9. The sign shall be located a minimum of:

- a. 20 meters from regulatory signs, and
 - b. Not less than 1.5 meters from the curb/sidewalk.
10. The sign shall be placed on site and is not permitted to be placed on any County lands and/or road rights-of-way.
11. The sign shall be a minimum of 2 meters in height from the bottom of the sign above the curb/sidewalk.
12. The site and sign shall be kept in a safe, clean, and tidy condition, or may be required to be renovated or removed.
13. The sign shall:
- a. Not obstruct the orderly and safe flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic,
 - b. Not unduly interfere with the amenities of the district,
 - c. Not materially interfere with or affect the use, enjoyment or value of neighbouring properties, and
 - d. Not create visual or aesthetic blight.
14. Illumination of the sign must not negatively affect, nor pose a safety hazard to, an adjacent site or street.
15. Wiring and conduits of the sign must be concealed from view.
16. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.
17. No construction or development is allowed on a right-of-way. It is the responsibility of the developer/owner/occupant to investigate the utility rights-of-way, if any, that exist on the property prior to commencement of any construction and to ensure that no construction or development is completed on any utility right-of-way.
18. The Developer shall at all times comply with all applicable Federal, Provincial and Municipal legislation and regulations and County Bylaws and resolutions relating to the development of the lands.

CARRIED

- c) **Development Permit Time Extension Application 15-DP-10
George and Mary Penner; Automotive Repair Shop
NW 2-107-14-W5M; Wolfe Lake Road**

MOTION 11-056 **MOVED** by Wally Schroeder

That the one year time extension request from George and Mary Penner, for Development Permit 15-DP-10 on NW 2-107-14-W5M, be granted. The time extension will expire on March 31, 2012.

CARRIED

5. **SUBDIVISION**

No subdivision applications to bring forward.

6. **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

- a) **Bylaw ___-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment
Plan 032 3561, Block 7, Lot 2A; La Crete
1366261 AB Ltd.**

MOTION 11-057 **MOVED** by John W. Driedger

That the Municipal Planning Commission recommendation to Council be for the approval of Bylaw ___-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of Plan 032 3561, Block 7, Lot 2A from Hamlet Residential District 2 "HR2" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3", subject to the public hearing input.

CARRIED

c) **Action List**

The Action List of March 18, 2011 was reviewed.

7. **IN CAMERA**

MOTION 11-058 **MOVED** by Wally Schroeder

The Municipal Planning Commission go in camera at 10:21 a.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 11-059 **MOVED** by Jack Eccles

The Municipal Planning Commission come out of in camera at 10:41 a.m.

CARRIED

a) **Plan 752 1580, Block 8, Lots 10 and 11;**
La Crete

MOTION 11-060 **MOVED** by John W. Driedger

That the development on Plan 752 1580, Block 8, Lots 10 and 11, be received for information.

CARRIED

8. NEXT MEETING DATES

Municipal Planning Commission meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

- ❖ April 20, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in La Crete
- ❖ May 9, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in La Crete
- ❖ May 30, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in La Crete

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 11-061 **MOVED** by Elmer Derksen

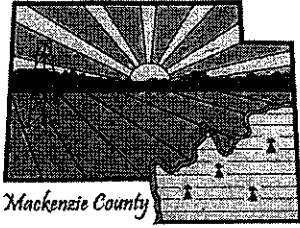
That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this 20 day of April 2011.



Jack Eccles, Chair



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Al Hoggan-Director of Operations-North
Title:	Rural Waterline Committee Meeting Minutes – April 15, 2011

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Minutes of the April 15, 2011 Rural Waterline Committee meeting are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

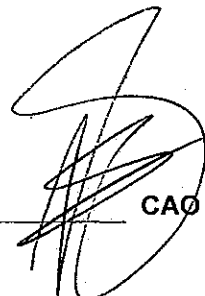
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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the minutes of the April 15, 2011 Rural Waterline Committee meeting be received for information.

Author: Colleen Nate

Review Date: _____

 **CAO** Roy Brideau
4-5-11

line to the proposed rural water truck fill station.

CARRIED

5. f) Truck Fill

MOTION 11-09

MOVED by Councilor J. Driedger

That a recommendation be taken to Council to locate the rural water truck fill at the corner of Hwy 697 and AJA Friesen road (SW-26-106-14-W5).

CARRIED

Chair John Driedger recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:33 p.m.

5. c) Laterals

MOTION 11-10

MOVED by Councilor Jorgenson

That administration drafts a laterals construction policy for Committee's review based on determination of the sufficient demand and distances.

CARRIED

5. d) Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant (booster station and waterline break)

A discussion was held regarding the currently proposed waterline break (where the FV And LC waterlines will meet) and regarding the proposed booster station location. Administration recommended researching the options further as these may be subject to the Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant capacities.

MOTION 11-11

MOVED by Councilor Jorgenson

That administration investigates Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant capacities in regards to a potential location for the rural waterline break.

CARRIED

Chair John Driedger recessed the meeting at 1:14 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

5. a) Future expansion and e) Long Term Planning

A discussion was held regarding the potential future routes, having engineering plans for the chosen route in place as "shovel ready" project in order to apply for grants. A discussion was held regarding seeking public input in order to determine the potential public interest and participation prior to construction of the next phase.

MOTION 11-12

MOVED by Councilor J. Driedger

That administration brings options/routes for future expansion to the next committee meeting in order to formulate a recommendation to Council.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA

6. a) None

**NEXT MEETING
DATE**

7. A) The next meeting will be at a call of the Chair.

ADJOURMENT

8. a) Adjournment

MOTION 11-13

MOVED by John W. Driedger

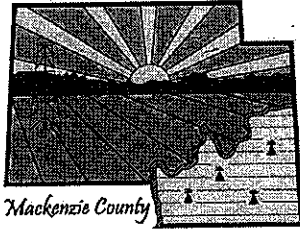
That the Rural Waterline Committee meeting be adjourned (1:37 p.m.)

CARRIED

These minutes will be presented to the Rural Waterline Committee for approval at their next meeting.

John W. Driedger
Chair

Roy Brideau
Chief Administrative Officer



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	J. Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	CAO & Director Reports

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

See attached Director reports.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Chief Administrative Officer and Director reports be received for information.

Author: C. Gabriel Reviewed By: _____ CAO

To: Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services

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Current and Completed Corporate Services Department Projects/Activities:

- Finance Committee - prepared a package and attended the April 4, 2011 meeting.
- Bursaries Policy and Bursaries Reserve Policy was prepared and approved at the April 12th Council meeting. Bursaries are being advertised with the closing date of June 10th at 4:30 p.m.
- 2011 Budget – the final budget including requisitions was prepared and approved by Council.
- 2011 Tax Rate Bylaw – the 2011 mill rates were set by Council and the bylaw was approved. The 2011 combined assessment and tax notice is being revised to reflect the Municipal Affairs recommendations in order to comply with all legislative requirements. The notices will be printed next week (week of May 9th).
- Hwy 88 Connector Project – attended a meeting in Edmonton with the Reeve. The P3 Canada guidelines and application were posted on their website on May 4, 2011. I am reviewing the guideline and will be attending an introductory workshop by P3 Canada in Edmonton on May 26th.
- AUPE Negotiations - preparing a package for Finance Committee's review at their May 9th meeting.
- Ice Bridge Committee – participated in the ice bridge committee and the ice bridge closing on April 14, 2011.
- Land Use Framework – drafted letters for Council's consideration regarding the Lower Peace Region land use planning. Greg Newman's appointment motion by Council and his resume were submitted to AAMD&C as the County's candidate for the future advisory committee.
- Ambulance Buildings – an offer was made to the Alberta Health Services as per Council's motion and we are awaiting their response.
- Agricultural Land Use Planning Committee – prepared a package and attended the meeting on May 3, 2011; worked with ISL Engineering on producing a map incorporating the sale of land data. A request for decision will be presented to Council regarding the unsold parcels of land at their May 10, 2011 meeting.

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From: Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services

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- 2010 Year End – the Financial Statement and the Financial Information Return were finalized, presented to Council and filed with Municipal Affairs.
 - 2010 Grants Reports – FCSS, RTG, SIP, NDCC/ FGTF annual grant reports were completed and submitted.
 - Census – I've been working with ISL engineering on obtaining the population data per ward utilizing the County's census data from the 2003 and 2010 census. In addition, I've been working with Census Canada on obtaining data from the 2006 and the new 2011 census (when available) broken down by the County's wards. I am expecting to receive a quote for this special services order along with information on the required mapping data. I was advised that this may take a couple of months (Federal data).
 - The department is currently researching and working on proposed revisions to the existing reserves policies after receiving some feedback from the Finance Committee members. This information will be presented and reviewed by the Committee prior to being presented to Council with the Committee's recommendations.

Legal Files Update

A Request for Decision will be presented to Council at their May 10, 2011 meeting regarding the 2010 sale of a tax forfeiture property.

Personnel/Human Resources.

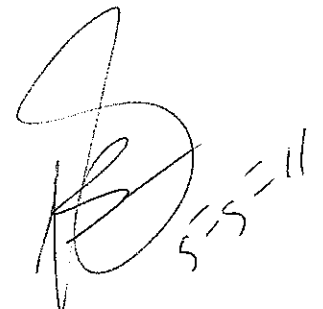
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Future Corporate Services Department Projects/Activities (major highlights):

- Prepare the borrowing bylaws for the Hwy 88 Connector and Zama Access projects.
- Prepare the documents for the 2011 Annual Report (ratepayers meetings).
- Long Term Capital Plan that correlates with a new business plan of Council
- Grants applications preparation as new programs become available
- Job Description – a review and update of all job descriptions

Respectfully submitted,

Joulia Whittleton



To: Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development

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General Highlights:

- An increase in subdivision and development enquiries has occurred over the course of the past few weeks. While this is not unusual for this time of year, the number of enquiries has increased in comparison to the past few years.
- Unauthorized development is being followed up on by the Bylaw Enforcement Officer.

Ongoing Projects:

- County Land Use Bylaw. Final revisions will be completed as directed by Council and public notice completed in accordance with Municipal Government Act prior to Public Hearing and Second and Third Reading.
- Draft General Municipal Improvements Standards. The management team intends to review the document and complete necessary revisions prior to presentation to Council.
- Safety Codes Service Contract. Administration negotiations with Superior Safety Codes for a one year contract extension remains underway. Further negotiations regarding fees for service are needed.
- Draft Airport Vicinity Protection Area (AVPA). This matter has been rescheduled to be addressed after the adoption of the Land Use Bylaw.
- Subdivision review of by Stewart Weir has been rescheduled to be addressed later in the year. The intent in this process is to review the outstanding items/requirements of the outstanding subdivisions and form a plan for resolution.
- Updating and consolidating of the La Crete Hamlet maps. Technical problems have prevented this matter from being completed however staff is meeting on May 12, 2011 in an effort to resolve the matter.
- At the direction of the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC), Administration is conducting a review of the Municipal Reserve Policy RESV 10. The intent of this review is to bring back options for the calculation of Municipal Reserve (money in lieu of land). The matter was presented to the MPC on April 20, 2011 where it was tabled for further research.
- At the direction of the MPC, Administration is researching a policy intended to prevent the issuance of a new Development Permit when the existing development and/or access contain deficiencies. The intent of this policy is to provide an incentive to developers to complete their development to the required specifications and to prevent the existing problems from being compounded upon. Research by staff strongly suggests that this type of policy is contrary to the Municipal Government Act however further research is being conducted.
- The matter of the access/road to Part of SE 26-104-14-W5M (Plan 002 3789, Block 1, Lot 1) is ongoing.
- First quarter Subdivision and Development statistical reports. These reports are intended to be presented to Council on May 31, 2011.

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From: Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development
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Future Projects and Goals:

- Review of Development practices to ensure that adequate Bylaws and Policies exist.
- Area Structure Plans for Fort Vermilion, Zama and La Crete.
- Planning and Development articles in the County Image to provide information about various Subdivision and Development requirements.
- Creation of a Planning and Development handbook. This document is intended to clearly outline the steps taken for Development processes.

Personnel/Human Resources

- Staff attended the Personnel/Human Resources course held in La Crete on April 28th and 29th. The course was well received.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Krahn

To: Chief Administrative Officer, Mackenzie County

Director of Operations (South) Report For May 10, 2011

With the fine spring weather we are receiving it is shaping up to be a busy month, Administration is working hard to get all the carry forward projects on track as well as new ones out of the gate.

The contractor for the Tompkins Fire Hall started construction and that project is now under way and the AJA Friesen drainage project will be starting up again shortly as well.

We are in the process of creating RFP's for the 5 miles of road construction requests which will be sent out to various local contractors.

There are a number of other projects that we are working on to complete this summer so we can take them off the books and concentrate on the new ones that have been approved by Council, for example; a) La Crete Office Building, La Crete Airport, North Point Lift Station, La Crete Lagoon Study, RV Park Road...

We are also compiling the list of all dust control applicants and there seems to be quite a number of requests, which will stretch the budget and keep the roads crew busy for the next month.

Thank You.

John Klassen
Mackenzie County
Director of Operations (South)

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Director of Operations (North) Report May 10, 2011 Regular Council Meeting

Past

- April 13, 2011 attended road meeting with Boss Services in Assumption.
- April 15th attended the Rural Water Line Committee meeting.
- April 21st attended the Alta gas Ground Disturbance workshop in High Level.
- April 25th attended Regular Council meeting.
- April 30th assisted with the County booth at the La Crete Trade Show.
- May 2nd attended the Rural Water Line Committee meeting.
- May 4th and 5th attended the Council County Road Tours.

Present

- Carry over projects from the 2010 budget year are in progress.
- Requests for Proposals are in progress for the new road construction requests that were approved by Council.
- Dust control advertisements have been published and dust control has been ordered.
- Interviews are in progress for the seasonal summer staff hiring.
- County parks are staffed and the parks are being prepared for what should be a very busy camping season.
- The re-gravelling tenders are completed and will be opened at this Council meeting.
- Requests for Proposals have been sent out for the Hutch Lake Stair project
- Road repairs for several issues spotted on the Council Road Tour have been completed.
- Meetings with engineering has taken place to determine capacity of the Fort Vermilion water Treatment Plant and to provide the County with an update on upcoming bridge repairs.
- Our summer maintenance equipment has undergone thorough inspection with most equipment now ready for the summer season.


Public Works staff continues to work to minimize flooding and keep up with spring drainage, which to this point has gone very well with minimal flooding. Multiple culverts have been steamed and cleaned and several new culverts have been installed. Spot re-gravelling has been completed in several sections of our County roads. We continue to have our weekly staff meetings in an effort to keep all of our staff "in the loop" and informed.

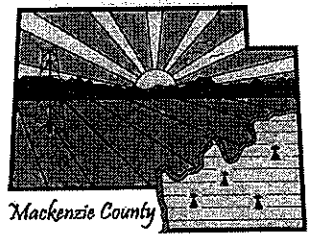
Future

- Upcoming projects:
 - Hutch Lake stairs.
 - Mackenzie Housing Basketball Court.
 - Rocky Lane Road re-construction.
 - Machesis Lake caretaker site expansion.
 - Peace River Bridge Campground development.
 - Road construction requests.
 - High Level East Drainage project (in coordination with Agricultural Services).
 - Bridge Repair Files.
 - Continuation of the Rural Water Line.

Thank you,

Al Hoggan
Director of Operations - North
Mackenzie County

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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Bylaw 806-11 Being the Bylaw to Amend Local Improvement Bylaw 658/07

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Council established Bylaw 658/07 that authorizes a local improvement charge for the curb, gutter and sidewalk construction in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion (Mackenzie Housing Road Reconstruction project). The project was completed in 2008. The levy was charged in 2009 & 2010.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Mackenzie Housing subdivided two lots that were part of Bylaw 658/07 for the construction of curb, gutter and sidewalk. The Municipal Government Act section 402 provides authority to Mackenzie County to amend a local improvement where there is a subdivision affecting a parcel of land. That local improvement costs be redistributed to the affected parcels of land.

During the Bylaw review due to the above mentioned subdivision, administration found a few clerical errors, such as the corner lots were included in the bylaw twice and one property was included that was being assessed for the curb, gutter and sidewalk for a different project.

Administration corrected the errors, recalculated and redrafted the Schedule A to reflect the above mentioned subdivision, actual costs of the project, and the clerical errors made in 2007 at the bylaw preparation time. For comparative purposes:

	Bylaw 658/07	Bylaw 806-11
Cost to be recovered	\$193,656.30	\$150,559.50
Assessable frontage	9,414.16	7,841.98
Frontage rate per foot	\$2.62	\$2.30
Total assessment per foot	\$20.57	\$19.20

Author: J. Whittleton **Reviewed by:** _____ **CAO**

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

By approving this Bylaw, the County will recover 30% of the actual costs as per the established policy.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion 1:

That first reading be given to Bylaw 806-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 658/07.

Motion 2:

That second reading be given to Bylaw 806-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 658/07.

Motion 3:

That consideration be given to proceed to third reading of Bylaw 806-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 658/07.

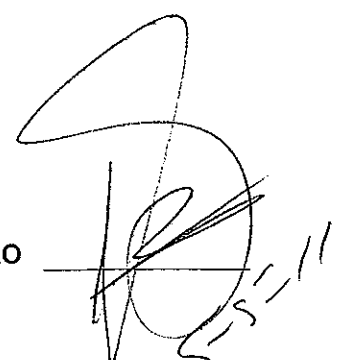
Motion 4:

That third reading be given to Bylaw 806-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 658/07.

Author: J. Whittleton

Reviewed by: _____

CAO

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BYLAW NO. 806-11

BEING A BYLAW OF MACKENZIE COUNTY
(hereinafter referred to as "the County")

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
TO AMEND THE
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CHARGES BYLAW 658/07

WHEREAS, Council of Mackenzie County approved Bylaw 658/07 being a bylaw to authorize Mackenzie County to impose a local improvement tax in respect of all lands that directly benefit from the Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 52 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 43 Street from 52 Avenue to 50 Avenue, 50 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 44 Street north of 50 Avenue, and 51 Avenue northwest of 43 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority under the Municipal Government Act to revise the local improvement for a subdivision affecting a parcel of land or a consolidation of two (2) or more parcels of land after the local improvement tax has been imposed; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority under the Municipal Government Act to make changes to a bylaw, such as correcting clerical errors; and

WHEREAS, the actual cost of installation of the Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 52 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 43 Street from 52 Avenue to 50 Avenue, 50 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 44 Street north of 50 Avenue, and 51 Avenue northwest of 43 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion was **Five Hundred and One Thousand and Eight Hundred Sixty Five Dollars (\$501,865)** with the benefiting owners' share being **One Hundred Fifty Thousand and Five Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$150,559.50)**;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act* if, after the local improvement tax rate has been set, it is discovered that the actual cost of the local improvement is higher than the estimated cost on which the local improvement tax rate is based, the council may revise, once only over the life of the local improvement, the rate with respect to future years so that the local improvement tax bylaw will raise sufficient revenue to pay the actual cost of the local improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY DULY ASSEMBLED ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Schedule A of Bylaw 658/07 be replaced by the following revised Schedule "A".
2. That Schedule B of Bylaw 658/07 be deleted.

Amending Bylaw 658/07 Local Improvement Bylaw

Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 52 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 43 Street from 52 Avenue to 50 Avenue, 50 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 44 Street north of 50 Avenue, and 51 Avenue northwest of 43 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion

3. That this bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon receiving third and final reading thereof.

READ a first time this day of , 2011.

READ a second time this day of , 2011.

READ a third time and finally passed this day of , 2011.

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

J. Roy Brideau
Chief Administrative Officer

Amending Bylaw 658/07 Local Improvement Bylaw

Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 52 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 43 Street from 52 Avenue to 50 Avenue, 50 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 44 Street north of 50 Avenue, and 51 Avenue northwest of 43 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion

Schedule A to Bylaw No. 806-11

Annual Levy for 52 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 43 Street from 52 Avenue to 50 Avenue, 50 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 44 Street north of 50 Avenue, and 51 Avenue northwest of 43 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion Local Improvement Project.

1. Properties to be assessed:

Plan	Block	Lot	Front	Back	Frontage
892 1752	4	19	64.72	64.72	64.72
892 1752	4	20	64.72	64.72	64.72
892 1752	4	21	100.28	100.28	100.28
892 1752	4	22	57.09	57.09	57.09
892 1752	4	23	66.57	66.57	66.57
892 1752	4	24	56.04	56.04	56.04
892 1752	4	25	62.60	62.60	62.60
892 1752	4	26	62.60	62.60	62.60
892 1752	4	27	62.60	62.60	62.60
892 1752	4	28	62.60	62.60	62.60
892 1752	4	29	85.24	85.01	85.13
892 1752	4	30	75.00	75.17	75.09
892 1752	4	31	75.00	75.00	75.00
892 1752	4	32	75.00	75.00	75.00
892 1752	4	33	50.00	50.00	50.00
892 1752	4	34	71.74	71.72	71.73
892 1752	4	35	50.00	50.00	50.00
892 1752	4	36	83.22	83.21	83.22
892 1752	6	15	50.00	49.95	49.98
892 1752	6	16	79.07	79.07	79.07
892 1752	6	17	79.07	79.07	79.07
892 1752	6	18	50.00	50.00	50.00
892 1752	6	19	67.16	67.16	67.16
892 1752	6	20	60.00	60.00	60.00
892 1752	6	21	164.21	39.95	102.08
892 1752	5	39	60.03	60.01	60.02
892 1752	5	40	60.03	60.01	60.02
892 1752	5	41	48.05	116.62	82.34
892 1752	5	42	50.00	116.62	83.31
892 1752	5	43	95.00	94.92	94.96
892 1752	5	44	61.16	61.16	61.16
892 1752	5	45	58.25	58.25	58.25

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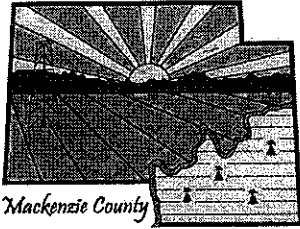
Plan	Block	Lot	Front	Back	Frontage
892 1752	5	46	50.00	50.00	50.00
892 1752	5	47	58.80	58.80	58.80
892 1752	5	48	62.01	62.01	62.01
892 1752	5	49	134.90	174.30	154.60
892 1752	5	50	99.92	99.91	99.92
892 1752	5	51	50.00	50.00	50.00
892 1752	5	52	66.64	66.64	66.64
892 1752	5	53	56.11	56.11	56.11
892 1752	5	54	69.89	69.89	69.89
892 1752	5	55	50.00	50.00	50.00
892 1752	5	56	70.25	70.25	70.25
892 1752	5	57	50.86	50.86	50.86
892 1752	5	58	68.57	68.57	68.57
892 1752	5	59	60.01	64.59	62.30
892 1752	5	60	77.83	86.13	81.98
188 TR	4	13	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	4	14	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	6	1	60.00	60.00	60.00
188 TR	6	1	60.00	60.00	60.00
188 TR	6	2	99.32	126.74	113.03
188 TR	6	3	85.00	157.60	121.30
188 TR	6	4	80.00	159.40	119.70
188 TR	6	5	103.75	140.00	121.88
188 TR	6	6	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	6	7	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	6	8	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	6	9	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	5	9	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	5	10	121.67	120.00	120.84
188 TR	5	11	70.50	210.00	140.25
188 TR	5	12	55.00	211.00	133.00
188 TR	5	13	55.00	208.00	131.50
188 TR	5	14	170.50	210.00	190.25
188 TR	5	15	91.67	120.00	105.84
188 TR	5	16	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	5	17	120.00	120.00	120.00
102 5054	5	61	84.97	84.97	84.97
102 5054	5	62	120.00	120.00	120.00
102 5054	5	63	120.00	120.00	120.00

Amending Bylaw 658/07 Local Improvement Bylaw

Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 52 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 43 Street from 52 Avenue to 50 Avenue, 50 Avenue from 45 to 43 Street, 44 Street north of 50 Avenue, and 51 Avenue northwest of 43 Street in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion

Plan	Block	Lot	Front	Back	Frontage
102 5054	5	64	84.87	84.87	84.87
188 TR	5	19	130.00	130.00	130.00
188 TR	5	20	164.68	89.32	127.00
188 TR	5	21	170.00	80.00	125.00
188 TR	5	22	119.66	120.00	119.83
188 TR	5	23	58.70	190.00	124.35
188 TR	5	24	62.42	220.00	141.21
188 TR	5	26	170.00	170.00	170.00
188 TR	5	26	120.00	120.00	120.00
188 TR	5	31	246.60	157.85	202.23
188 TR	5	31	99.00	63.29	81.15
188 TR	5	R2	316.06		316.06
188 TR	5	32	120.00	120.00	120.00
792 0058	6	14	100.00	100.00	100.00
062 6059	5	61		175.00	175.00
TOTAL					7,841.98

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| 2. | Total Assessable Frontage | 7,841.98 Feet |
| 3. | Total Local Improvement Tax | \$150,559.50 |
| 4. | Total Assessment Per Foot Frontage | \$19.20 |
| 5. | Annual Unit Rate Per Front Foot of Frontage payable for a Period of Ten (10) years at 3.393% | \$2.30 |
| 6. | Total Yearly Assessment Against All Properties to be Assessed | \$18,005.98 |



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Bylaw 815-11 Being the Bylaw to Amend Local Improvement Bylaw 765-10

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Mackenzie County charges 30% of the curb, gutter and sidewalk installation costs to the benefiting owners through a local improvement levy as per the County's policy.

Bylaw 765-10 was established by Council which authorizes the local improvement levies on 100th Avenue from Plan 782 1076, Block 12, Lots 6-13; Plan 752 1580, Block 8, Lots 1-5; Plan 3969TR, Block 4, Lots 4-6; and Plan 2504TR, Block 7, Lots 3&4, in the Hamlet of La Crete. The estimated cost for this project at the bylaw preparation time was \$176,440.00 with the benefiting owners' share of \$52,932.

The actual costs of installing curb, gutter and sidewalk on this project was \$201,334.92. This has increased the benefiting owners' cost to \$60,400.48.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Section 403 of the Municipal Government Act states:

"If, after a local improvement tax rate has been set, it is discovered that the actual cost of the local improvement is higher than the estimated cost on which the local improvement tax rate is based, the council may revise, once only over the life of the local improvement, the rate with respect to future years so that the local improvement tax bylaw will raise sufficient revenue to pay the actual cost of the local improvement."

The amended bylaw includes recalculations of the local improvement costs to reflect the actual costs of the improvement.

Author: J. Whittleton Reviewed by: _____ CAO

Please review the attached bylaw.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

By approving this Bylaw, the County will recover 30% of the actual costs as per the established policy.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion 1:

That first reading be given to Bylaw 815-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 765-10.

Motion 2:

That second reading be given to Bylaw 815-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 765-10.

Motion 3:

That consideration be given to proceed to third reading of Bylaw 815-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 765-10.

Motion 4:

That third reading be given to Bylaw 815-11 being a bylaw to amend the Local Improvement Levy Bylaw 765-10.

Author: J. Whittleton Reviewed by: _____ CAO _____

BYLAW NO. 815-11

BEING A BYLAW OF MACKENZIE COUNTY
(hereinafter referred to as "the County")

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
TO AMEND THE
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CHARGES BYLAW 765-10

WHEREAS, Council of Mackenzie County approved Bylaw 765-10 being a bylaw to authorize Mackenzie County to impose a local improvement tax in respect of all lands that directly benefit from the Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk on 100th Avenue from Plan 782 1076, Block 12, Lots 6-13; Plan 752 1580, Block 8, Lots 1-5; Plan 3969TR, Block 4, Lots 4-6; and Plan 2504TR, Block 7, Lots 3 & 4, in the Hamlet of La Crete; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government Act authorizes Council to amend a local improvement bylaw when the actual cost of the local improvement is higher than the estimated cost on which the local improvement tax is based; and

AND WHEREAS, the curb, gutter and sidewalk on 100th Avenue from Plan 782 1076, Block 12, Lots 6-13; Plan 752 1580, Block 8, Lots 1-5; Plan 3969TR, Block 4, Lots 4-6; and Plan 2504TR, Block 7, Lots 3 & 4, in the Hamlet of La Crete local improvement project has been completed;

AND WHEREAS, as per Bylaw 765-10 the estimated project cost was:

Mackenzie County/Build Canada Fund	\$123,508.00
Benefiting Owners	\$52,932.00
Total Cost	\$176,440.00

AND WHEREAS, the actual project cost is:

Mackenzie County/Build Canada Fund	\$140,934.52
Benefiting Owners	\$60,400.40
Total Cost	\$201,334.92

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act* if, after local improvement tax rate has been set, it is discovered that the actual cost of the local improvement is higher than the estimated cost on which the local improvement tax rate is based, the council may revise, once only over the life of the local improvement, the rate with respect to future years so that the local improvement tax bylaw will raise sufficient revenue to pay the actual cost of the local improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That for the purpose of raising sufficient revenue to pay the actual cost of the curb, gutter and sidewalk on 100th Avenue from Plan 782 1076, Block 12, Lots 6-13; Plan 752 1580, Block 8, Lots 1-5; Plan 3969TR, Block 4, Lots 4-6; and Plan 2504TR, Block 7, Lots 3 & 4, in the Hamlet of La Crete:
 - a) The benefiting owners cost be increased by Seven Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars and Forty Cents (\$7,468.40) to Sixty Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and Forty Eight Cents (\$60,400.48);
 - b) That total levy per front meter be increased from \$80.67 to \$92.05;
 - c) That the annual unit rate per front meter payable for a period of ten (10) years at 3.393% be increased from \$10.45 to \$11.01;
 - d) That the total annual assessment against all properties be increased from \$6,854.94 to \$7,223.52.
2. The net amount levied under the by-law shall be applied only to the local improvement project specified by this by-law.
3. This by-law comes into force on the date it is passed.

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READ a third time and finally passed this day of , 2011.

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

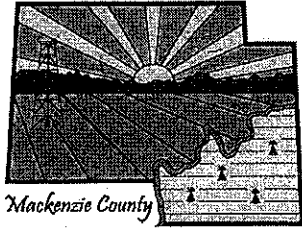
J. Roy Brideau
Chief Administrative Officer

Schedule A
Bylaw No. 815-11

1. Properties to be assessed

Lot	Block	Plan	Front	Rear	Average
13	12	7821076	34.12	35.49	34.81
12	12	7821076	35.66	35.66	35.66
11	12	7821076	35.66	35.66	35.66
10	12	7821076	35.66	35.66	35.66
9	12	7821076	35.66	35.66	35.66
8	12	7821076	35.66	35.66	35.66
7	12	7821076	34.33	35.66	35.00
5	8	7521580	40.53	40.52	40.53
4	8	7521580	40.53	40.52	40.53
3	8	7521580	40.53	40.52	40.53
2	8	7521580	40.53	40.52	40.53
6	8	7521580	40.25	41.57	40.91
1	8	7521580	41.15	45.72	43.44
5	4	3969TR	41.15	45.72	43.44
6	4	3969TR	36.57	36.57	36.57
3	7	2504TR	36.57	36.57	36.57
4	7	2504TR	44.39	45.72	45.06
					<u>656.18</u>

Total Assessable Frontage	656.18 Meters
Total Assessment Per Front Meter Frontage	\$92.05
Annual Unit Rate Per Front Meter of Frontage to be payable for a period of 10 years calculated at 4.675%	\$11.01
Total Yearly Assessment Against All Above Properties	\$7,223.52



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Agricultural Land Sale by Alberta Sustainable Resources Development (SRD)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The Agricultural Land Use Planning Committee is tasked with working with AB SRD, reviewing options and making recommendations to Council regarding the agricultural land sales.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The Committee met May 3, 2011 to discuss the unsold lands and future lands sales.

UNSOLD LANDS

The Committee was not able to reach consensus after defeating the following two motions:

That a recommendation be taken to Council to advise AB SRD that the unsold parcels of lands be offered for sale one additional time at the current appraised value.

That a recommendation be taken to Council to advise AB SRD that the unsold parcels of land from Phases 1, 2 and 3 be offered for sale after the sales completion of all three phases.

The committee is now presenting these to Council for Council's decision. Please note that the current appraisal report expires within six months to one year period from its preparation date.

Author: J. Whittleton Reviewed by: _____ CAO

SALE 5 & 6 (Phase 1)

The Committee passed the following motion:

That a recommendation be taken to Council to advise AB SRD to proceed with the next sale in the following order: Sale 5 – Twp 102-18; Sale 6 – Twp 101-17 (subject to mutual agreement between AB SRD & DMI); Twp 103-19 be deferred for further discussion.

Please note that Twp 103-19 contains approximately 5,400 acres where the timber is to be removed next winter.

AUCTION

The Committee passed the following motion:

That a recommendation be taken to Council to advise AB SRD proceeding with the same auctioneer services tendering process as for the Sales 1 to 4.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

NA

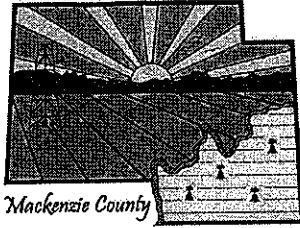
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For discussion.

Author: J. Whittleton

Reviewed by: _____

CAO



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	J. Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	La Crete Agricultural Society – Jubilee Celebration

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Attached is a letter from the La Crete Agricultural Society requesting council assistance in acquiring a piece of property. This property is for the purpose of developing a "Jubilee Plaza" as part of their Jubilee Celebration.

Although the letter requests a member of Council, administration is capable of assisting in the requested task.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

1. This is very late in the process to be acquiring land for the purpose of a fall celebration.
2. Should it be the wish of Council, staff will assist the Society in their search for a property to create the celebration "Jubilee Plaza".
3. Having such a park in La Crete or as part of one of our existing park areas could be an asset.
4. Further options would be reviewed between staff and the Society for Council consideration.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

At this stage of the project staff time would be the only cost.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That administration is authorized to assist the La Crete Agricultural Society in their pursuit of acquiring a space for the purpose of developing a "Jubilee Plaza".

Author: C. Gabriel/R. Brideau Review by: _____ CAO _____

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April 20, 2011

To the Mackenzie County Reeve and Council:

The La Crete Jubilee Celebration Committee has held several meetings to-date with the public and the idea of developing a "Jubilee Plaza" to commemorate this 75 year milestone was really well received. In fact the public has asked us to pursue this by searching for a piece of property - preferably on main street of La Crete. The lot owned by Esso/Imperial Oil is one property that we felt would be in an ideal location.

We would like to ask that someone from the Mackenzie County Council be assigned to look into what it would require to acquire this piece of property. Should it be totally unattainable, we would like to request that this individual be allowed to continue to search for another suitable property.

Our next public meeting is to be held on May 25, 2011 - 7:00 p.m. at the La Crete Heritage Centre.

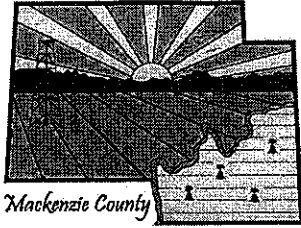
Sincerely:

Susan Siemens

La Crete Agricultural Society

Larry Neufeld

La Crete & Area Chamber of Commerce



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	J. Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	June 9, 2011 Regular Council Meeting

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Given that Council has a meeting scheduled for May 31st and due to the various ratepayer meetings and the Charity Golf Tournament scheduled during the week of the 6th, administration is recommending that Council cancel the June 9th Council meeting.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

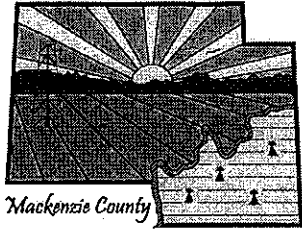
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the June 9, 2011 regular council meeting be cancelled.

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: _____ CAO

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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development
Title:	Bylaw 813-11 Subdivision Plan Cancellation Part of SW 33-106-15-W5M (Plan 062 2511, Block 1, Lot 1) (La Crete Rural)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The Planning Department received a Subdivision Plan Cancellation application to cancel Plan 062 2511, Block 1, Lot 1 for the purpose of reverting it back into SW 33-106-15-W5M, from which it was taken. The landowners desire is to cancel the subdivision in its entirety.

This application was presented to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) at their April 20, 2011 meeting where the following motion was made:

That the Municipal Planning Commission recommendation to Council be for the approval of Bylaw ___-11, being a Subdivision Plan Cancellation Bylaw to cancel Plan 062 2511, Block 1, Lot 1 in its entirety for the purpose of reverting it back into SW 33-106-15-W5M from which it was taken, subject to the public hearing input.

Bylaw number 813-11 has since been assigned to this application.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

A Subdivision Plan may be cancelled in part or whole in accordance with Section 658 of the Municipal Government Act (MGA). Once the subdivision cancellation is completed and registered with Alberta Land Titles, the lands will revert back to quarter section status.

Author: C. Friesen Review by: M. Krahn CAO

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

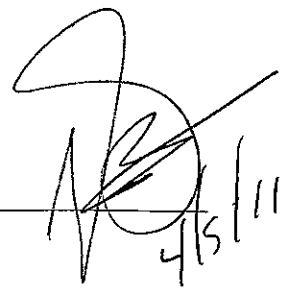
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That first reading be given to Bylaw 813-11, being a Subdivision Plan Cancellation Bylaw to cancel Plan 062 2511, Block 1, Lot 1 in its entirety for the purpose of reverting the lands back into SW 33-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

Author: C. Friesen

Review by: M. Krahn

CAO

Handwritten signature and date: 4/5/11

BYLAW NO. 813-11

**BEING A BYLAW OF
MACKENZIE COUNTY
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF CANCELLING A
PLAN OF SUBDIVISION
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 658 OF THE
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, CHAPTER M-26,
REVISED STATUTES OF ALBERTA 2000.**

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has a Municipal Development Plan adopted in 2009,
and

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has adopted the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw in
2004, and

WHEREAS, Council of Mackenzie County has determined that a subdivision, as
outlined in Schedule "A" hereto attached, be subject to cancellation, and

WHEREAS, George Wolf and Martha Wolf, being the registered owners of Plan 062
2511, Block 1, Lot 1, have requested that the subdivision be cancelled and consolidated
back into SW 33-106-15-W5M, from which it was taken, and

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF MACKENZIE COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE
OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Subdivision Plan 062 2511, Block 1, Lot 1, as outlined in Schedule "A"
hereto attached, is hereby cancelled in its entirety and the lands shall revert back
into SW 33-106-15-W5M, from which it was taken.

READ a first time this ___ day of _____, 2011.

READ a second time this ___ day of _____, 2011.

READ a third time and finally passed this ___ day of _____, 2011.

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

J. Roy Brideau
Chief Administrative Officer

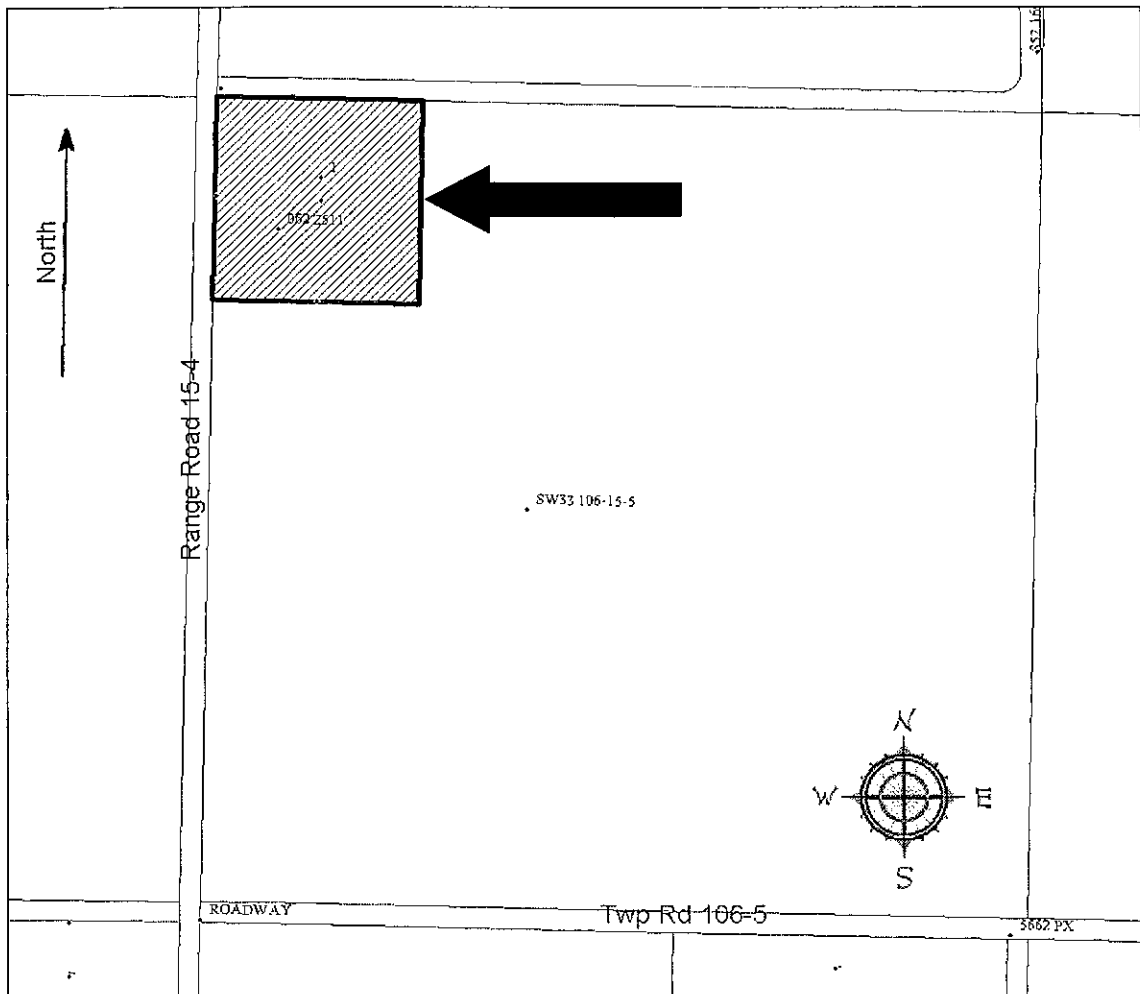
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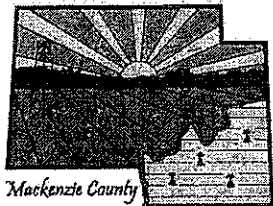
SCHEDULE "A"

1. That the Subdivision Plan, known as:

Plan 062 2511, Block 1, Lot 1

north of the Hamlet of La Crete, be cancelled and revert back into SW 33-106-15-W5M, from which it was taken.





LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. _____

NAME OF APPLICANT <i>George & Martha Wolf</i>		
ADDRESS <i>Box 1288</i>		
TOWN <i>Ld Crete AB</i>		
POSTAL CODE <i>T0H 2H0</i>	PHONE (RES.) <i>928-2422</i>	BUS. <i>841-1713</i>

COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT

NAME OF REGISTER OWNER		
<i>same</i>		
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TOWN		
POSTAL CODE	PHONE (RES.)	BUS.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

QTR./LS. <i>SW</i>	SEC. <i>33</i>	TWP. <i>106</i>	RANGE <i>15</i>	M. <i>5</i>	OR	PLAN <i>062 2511</i>	BLK <i>1</i>	LOT <i>1</i>
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LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED:

FROM: *Plan Cancellation* TO: _____

REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

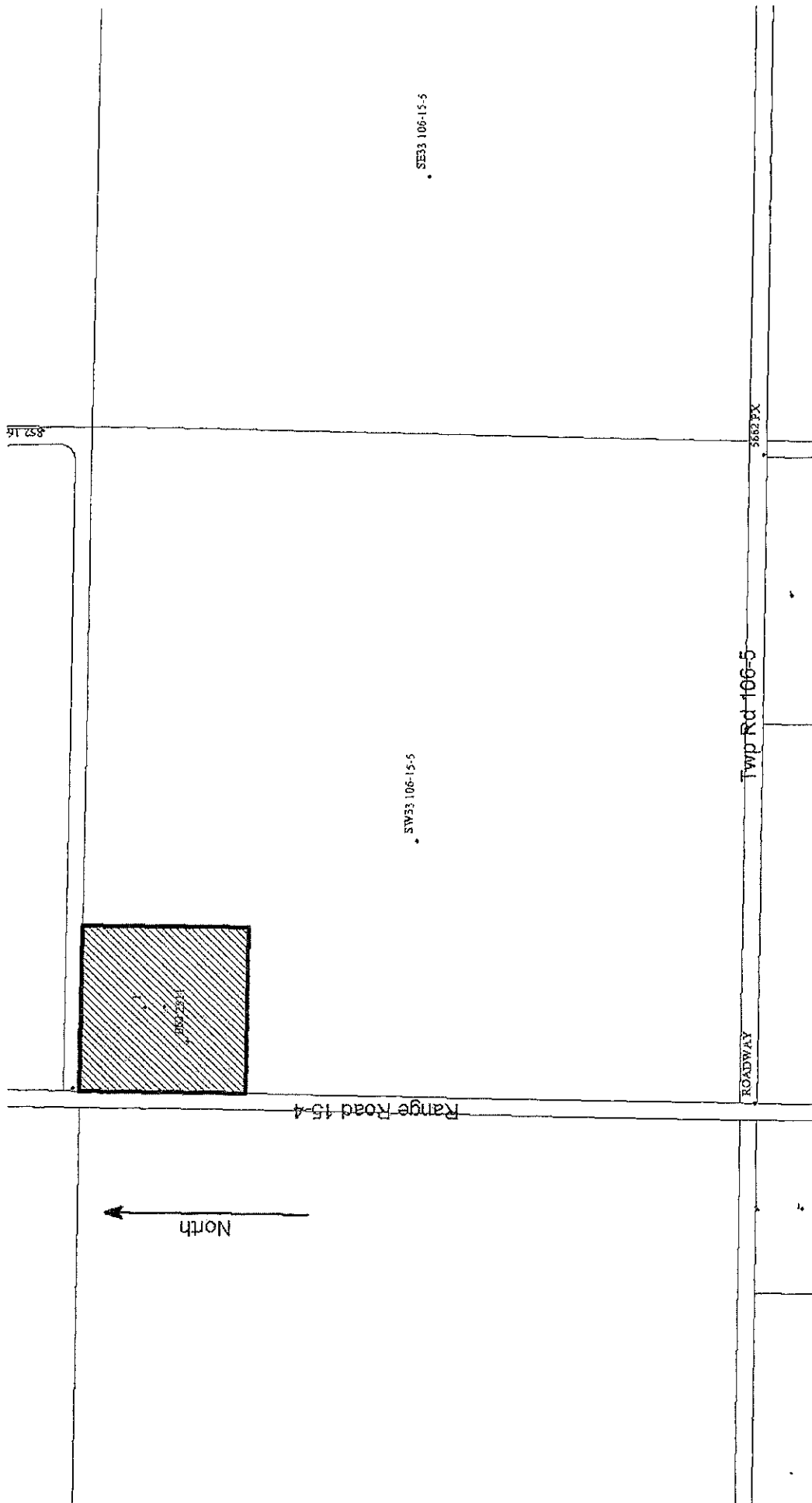
Cancel subdivision to revert back into the quarter section.

I/WE HAVE ENCLOSED THE REQUIRED APPLICATION FEE OF \$ *150.00* RECEIPT NO. *130790*

Martha Wolf APPLICANT DATE *April 14, 2011*

NOTE: REGISTERED OWNER'S SIGNATURE REQUIRED IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT.

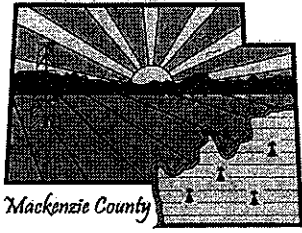
REGISTERED OWNER _____ DATE _____





Subject Property

North



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development
Title:	Bylaw 814-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Plan 102 2263, Block 1, Lot 3 (Part of SE 8-106-15-W5M) from Urban Reserve District "UR" to Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1" (La Crete)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The Planning Department received a Land Use Bylaw amendment application to rezone the subject property from Urban Reserve District "UR" to Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1". This application was submitted in response to the March 11, 2011 letter, attached (sent to the applicant after the February 24, 2011 Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) review of Subdivision Proposal 02-SUB-11).

Planning staff discussed the proposed rezoning with the applicant at the time of submission and advised him of the following concerns:

- 1) That the proposed layout does not fit the La Crete Area Structure Plan (ASP) layout for the subject lands,
- 2) That Hamlet Country Residential subdivisions already exist within the northerly and easterly portions of the Hamlet of La Crete and the establishment of a Country Residential subdivision to the west would restrict further Hamlet Residential growth to the south only and result in urban sprawl, and
- 3) The sketched layout of the subject lands does not show how the design will fit into the remainder of the quarter section.

The applicant indicated that he does not intend to develop the subject lands or the remainder of the quarter section into Hamlet Residential lots. He wishes to subdivide the lands into Hamlet Country Residential lots only.

Author: C. Friesen

Reviewed by: M. Krahn

CAO

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

This application was presented to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) at their April 20th, 2011 meeting for review prior to presentation to Council. In consideration of the application, the MPC considered the staff concerns listed above and the La Crete Area Structure Plan which shows the subject lands as future Hamlet Residential, not Hamlet Country Residential. The MPC motion is as follows:

That the Municipal Planning Commission recommendation to Council be for the refusal of Bylaw ___-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment application to rezone Plan 102 2263, Block 1, Lot 3 (Part of SE 8-106-15-W5M) from Urban Reserve District "UR" to Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1".

Bylaw number 814-11 has since been assigned to this application.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

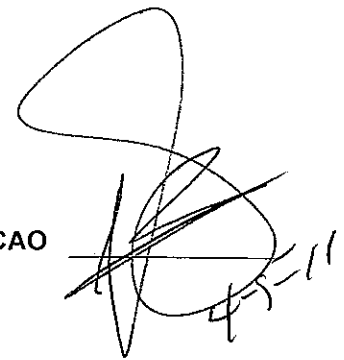
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That first reading of Bylaw 814-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment application to rezone Plan 102 2263, Block 1, Lot 3 (Part of SE 8-106-15-W5M) from Urban Reserve District "UR" to Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1", be refused.

Author: C. Friesen

Reviewed by: M. Krahn

CAO

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BYLAW NO. 814-11
BEING A BYLAW OF
MACKENZIE COUNTY
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

TO AMEND THE
MACKENZIE COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has a Municipal Development Plan adopted in 2009, and

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has adopted the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw in 2004, and

WHEREAS, the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, has deemed it desirable to amend the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw to accommodate Hamlet Country Residential lots, and

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF MACKENZIE COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the land use designation of the subject parcel known as:

Plan 102 2263, Block 1, Lot 3

be rezoned from Urban Reserve District "UR" to Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1", as outlined in Schedule "A" hereto attached.

READ a first time this ___ day of _____, 2011.

READ a second time this ___ day of _____, 2011.

READ a third time and finally passed this ___ day of _____, 2011.

Bill Neufeld
Reeve

J. Roy Brideau
Chief Administrative Officer

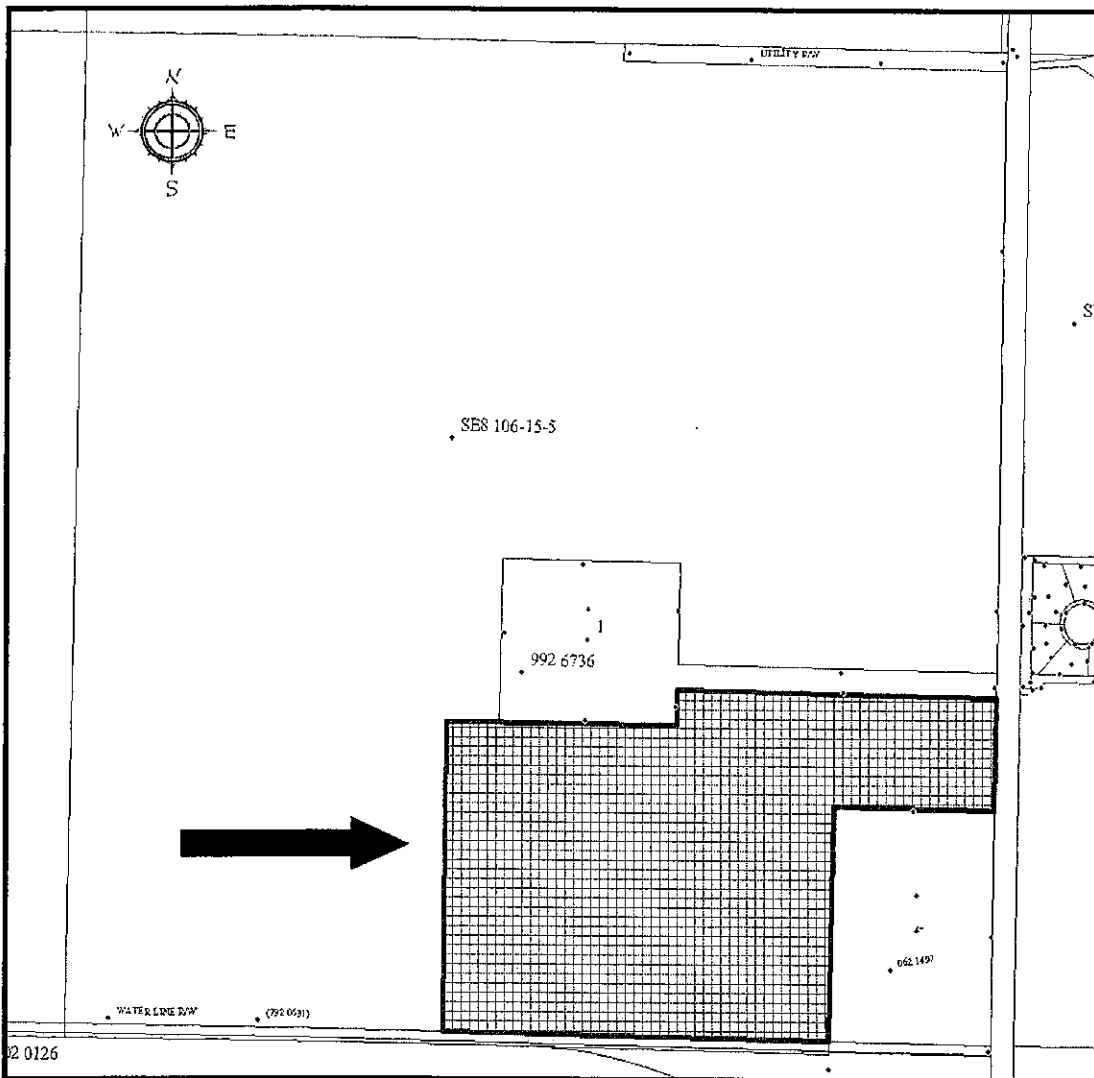
BYLAW NO. 814-11

SCHEDULE "A"

1. That the land use designation of the following property known as:

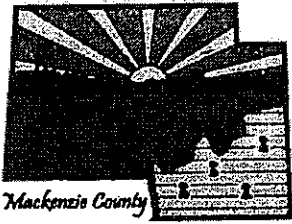
Plan 102 2263, Block 1, Lot 3

within the Hamlet of La Crete, be rezoned from Urban Reserve District "UR" to Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1".



FROM: Urban Reserve District "UR"

TO: Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1"



LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. _____

COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT

NAME OF APPLICANT Reuben Derksen		
ADDRESS Box 386		
TOWN La Crete AB		
POSTAL CODE T0h 2H0	PHONE (RES.) 780-928-3985	BUS. 780-841-9419

NAME OF REGISTER OWNER Reuben and Trudy Derksen		
ADDRESS Box 386		
TOWN La Crete AB		
POSTAL CODE T0H 2H0	PHONE (RES.) 780-928-3985	BUS. 780-841-9419

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

QTR./LS.	SEC.	TWP.	RANGE	M.	OR	PLAN	BLK	LOT
Part of SE	8	106	15	5		102 2263	1	3

LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED:

FROM: UR TO: HCR1

REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Desire to rezone the lands to allow for future development of Country Residential lots.

I/WE HAVE ENCLOSED THE REQUIRED APPLICATION FEE OF \$ 150.00 _____

RECEIPT NO. 130570

Reuben Derksen
APPLICANT

April 7/11
DATE

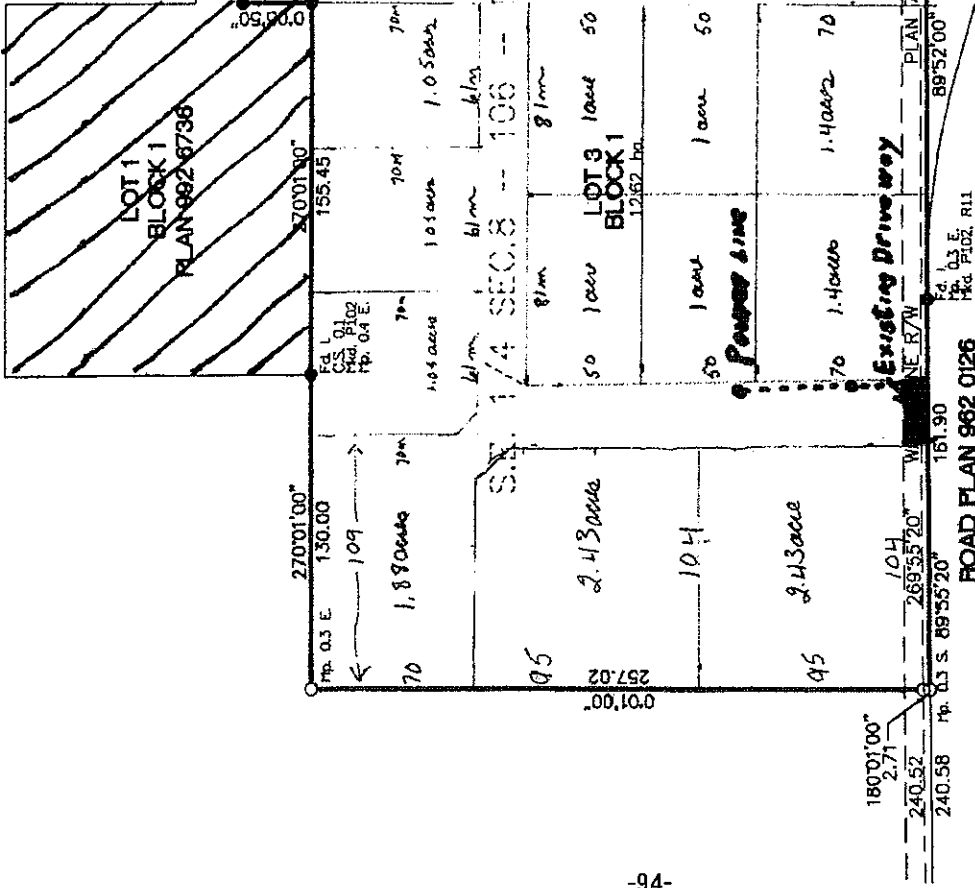
NOTE: REGISTERED OWNER'S SIGNATURE REQUIRED IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT.

Trudy Derksen
REGISTERED OWNER

April 7/11
DATE

Reuben Derksen

SE 1/4 SEC. 8-106-15 W. 5th M.



BLOCK 24
PLAN 042 2979

S.W. 1/4 SEC. 9-106-15 W. 5th M.

Existing Drive way
GOVERNMENT

NE R/W PLAN 052 3278

NE 1/4 SEC. 5-106-15 W. 5th M.

ROAD PLAN 962 0126

Existing Drive way

Power line

PLAN 092 2495

SEE DETAIL A

SEE DETAIL B

LOT 1
BLOCK 1
PLAN 862 467

LOT 2
BLOCK 1
PLAN 862 467

LOT 3
BLOCK 1
PLAN 862 467

LOT 4
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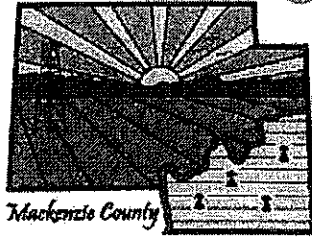
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BLOCK 1
PLAN 862 467

LOT 6
BLOCK 1
PLAN 862 467

ROAD PLAN 962 4013

ROAD PLAN 962 2633

WATER INF R/W PLAN 040 3078



Mackenzie County
P.O. Box 1690, La Crete Alberta T0H 2H0
Phone (780) 928-3983 Fax (780) 928-3636

March 11, 2011

Reuben D. and Trudy Derksen
Box 386
La Crete AB T0H 2H0

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Derksen:

Subdivision Proposal
Part of SE 8-106-15-W5M (Plan 102 2263, Block 1, Lot 3)

Your subdivision proposal for the above listed lands was presented to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) at their February 24, 2011 meeting. After careful review and consideration of your proposal, the MPC determined that subdivision of these lands does not conform to the County Land Use Bylaw and therefore received your request for information.

One alternative that you may wish to consider is rezoning the property to a zoning district that allows further subdivision of the lands. Another alternative is to submit the subdivision application fee of \$905.00 which would complete the application and allow staff to complete subdivision steps to the point where a subdivision decision was issued by the MPC. Such subdivision decision could be appealed to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter please contact Cathy Friesen, Assistant Development Officer, or the undersigned at 780-928-3983 or stop by the office. Our office hours are 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Yours truly,

Marion Krahn
Supervisor of Planning and Development



SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

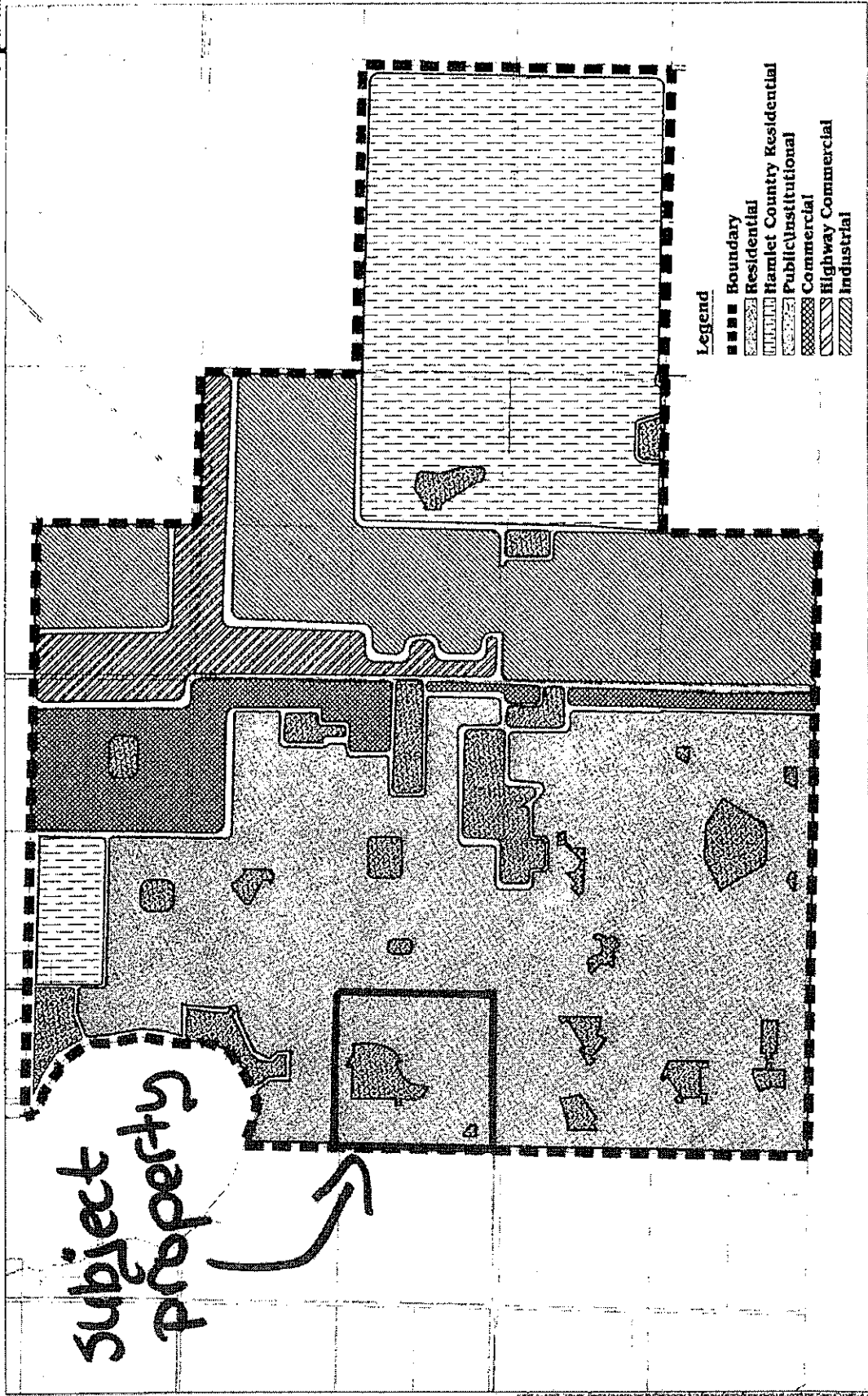


hamlet of la crete

area structure plan

URBAN SYSTEMS

subject properties



Legend

- Boundary
- ▨ Residential
- ▧ Hamlet Country Residential
- ▩ Public/Institutional
- Commercial
- Highway Commercial
- ▬ Industrial

future land use plan

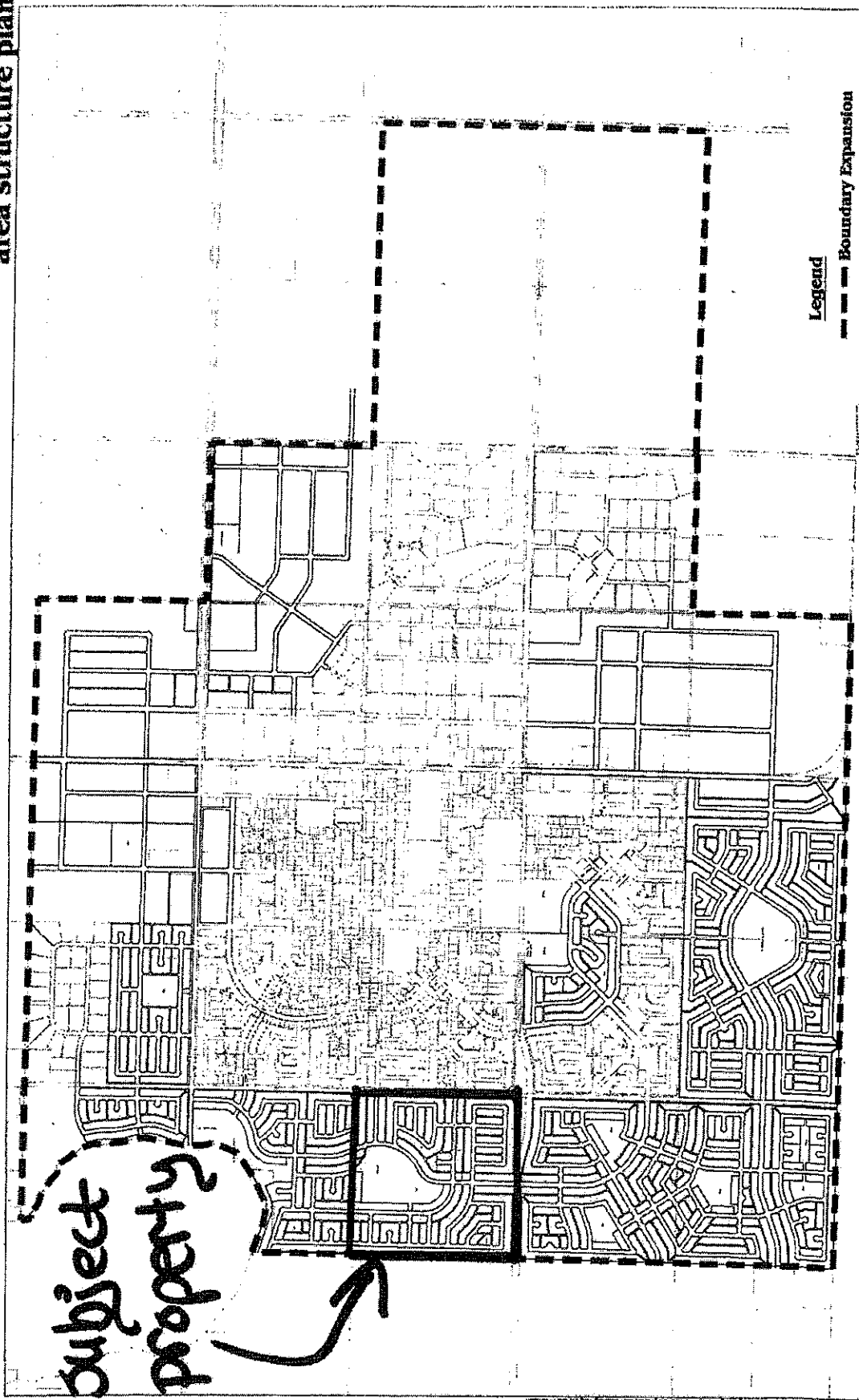
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hamlet of la crete

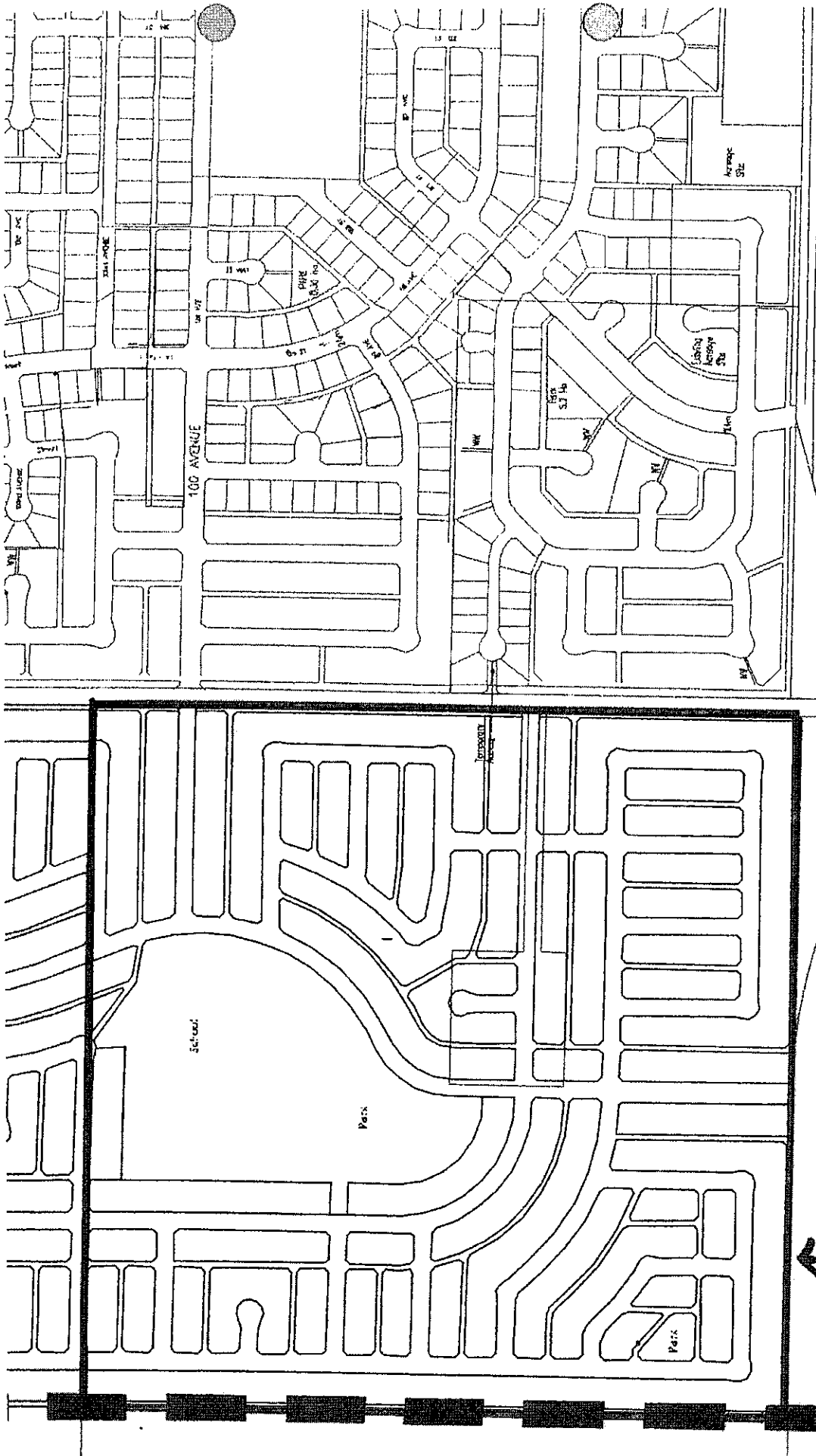


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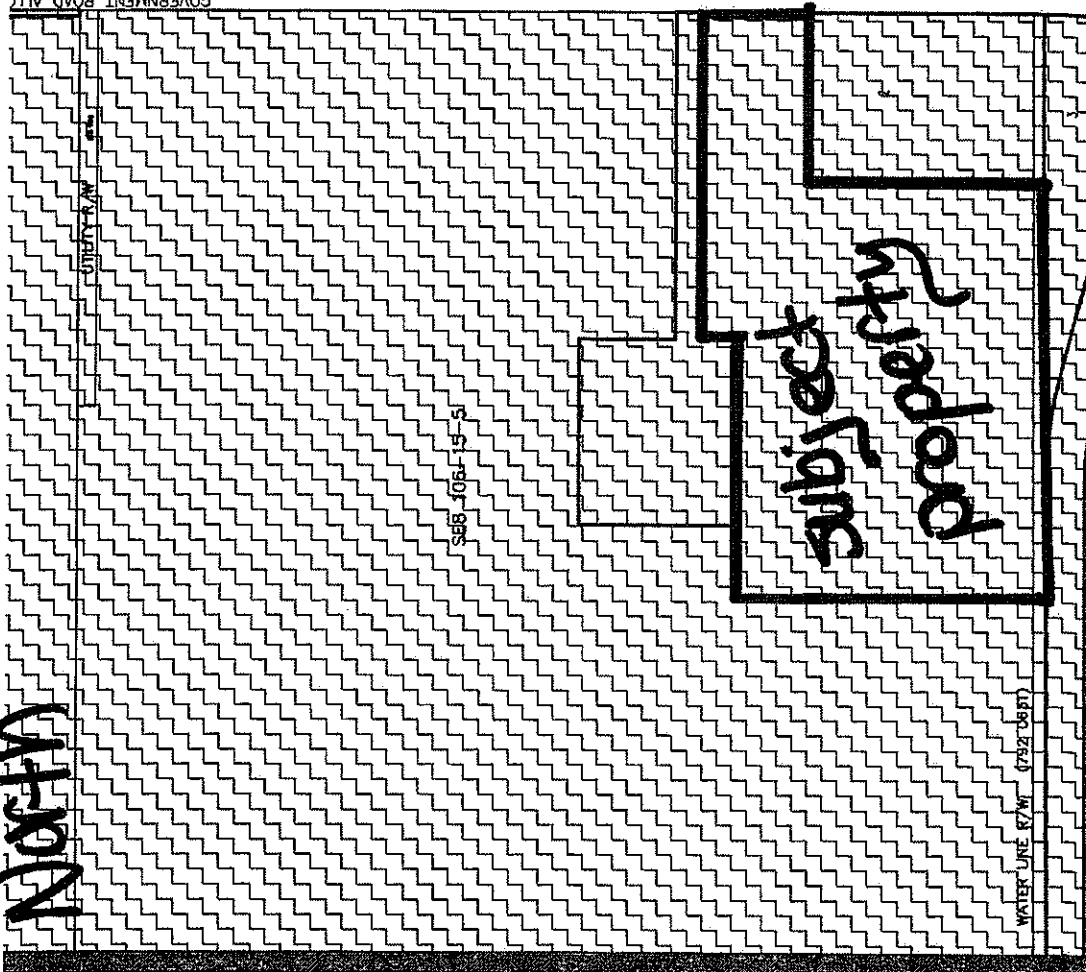


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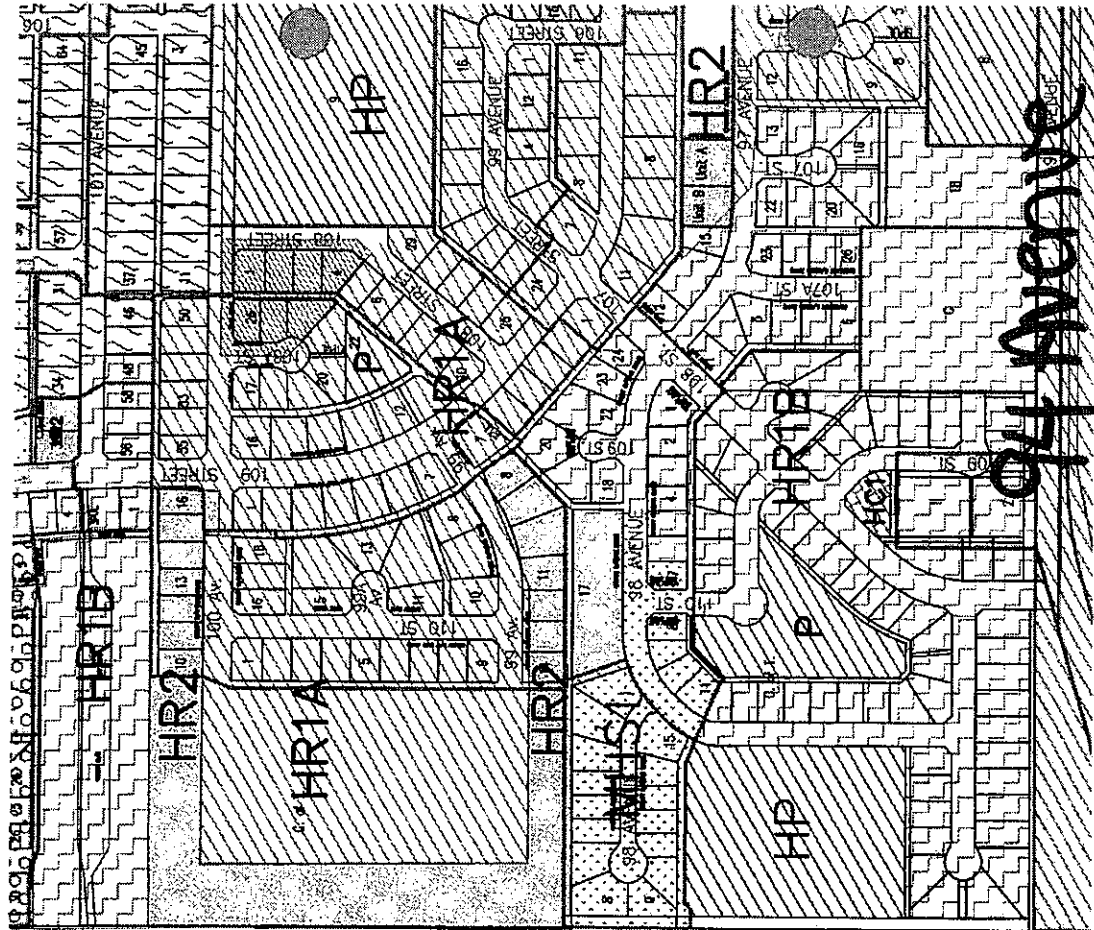
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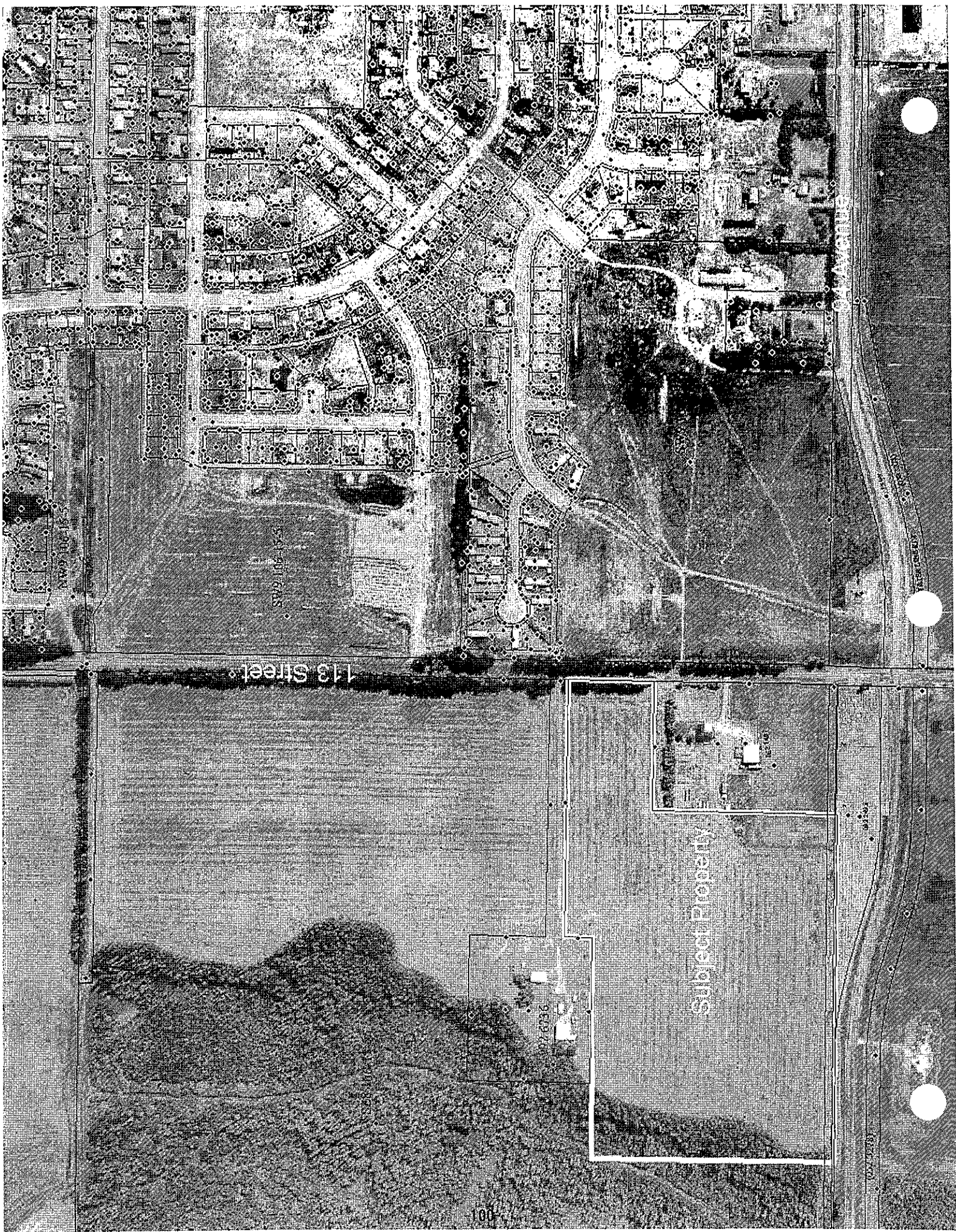
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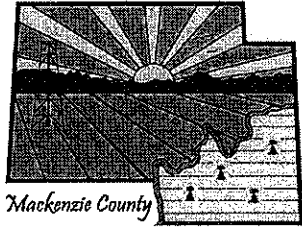


off Avenue



113 Street

Subject Property



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning and Development
Title:	2011 Alberta Development Officers Association Conference

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The Alberta Development Officers Association (ADOA) hosts a conference each year. The conference provides insightful seminars and discussions related to Planning and Development. Past session topics included accessibility, construction and demolition waste reduction, inter-municipal planning, sustainability and trends for community planning, wind turbines, and various legal matters.

For the past few years, members of the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) have joined Development staff in attending this conference. The 2011 Planning and Development budget includes funds for two MPC members to attend the conference however Council blessing is needed when one or both members attending are members of Council. Councillor John W. Driedger is the only Council member of the MPC slated to attend the conference and Council approval is requested.

The 2011 ADOA Conference is being held in Lethbridge from September 25th through 28th.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The ADOA conference presents a significant amount of information to staff and board members alike and provides the opportunity to learn the processes, successes and problems experienced by other municipalities and planning bodies.

Author: M. Krahn Review by: _____ CAO

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Current operating budget.

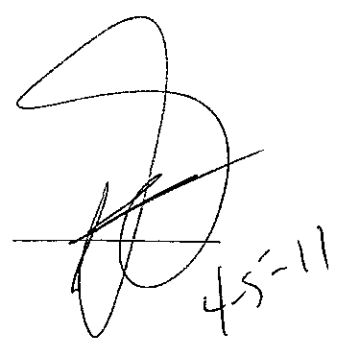
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Councillor J. Driedger be authorized to attend the 2011 Alberta Development Officers Association Conference in Lethbridge from September 25 – 28, 2011 with funds coming from the Planning and Development operating budget.

Author: M. Krahn

Review by: _____

CAO

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The Communicator



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Creating Rural Connections 2011

The Creating Rural Connections 2011 conference will give delegates the opportunity to learn from and network with individuals and organizations involved in the vitality and well-being of rural communities. This must-attend conference takes place from **April 12 to 14, 2011** in Edmonton at the Mayfield Inn & Suites, and features an exciting array of speakers and interactive sessions. Co-hosted by the Alberta Rural Development Network (ARDN), Athabasca University, Grant MacEwan University, NorQuest College, NAIT and the University of Alberta, participants will include rural Albertans, representatives from community-based organizations, post-secondary researchers and faculty, and government representatives. Delegates will hear about successful rural projects, and how partnerships between communities and post-secondary institutions have resulted in new insights and outcomes. Networking breaks will provide time to discuss rural issues, community-based projects, and explore the potential for new projects and collaboration. communications@ardn.ca www.ardn.ca

2011 ADOA CONFERENCE

The Conference Committee on Behalf of The Board of the
Alberta Development Officer's Association are Excited to Announce that **LETHBRIDGE**
has been selected as the Location for the 2011 ADOA Conference

DATE: SEPTEMBER 25-28th, 2011

LOCATION: COAST HOTEL and CONFERENCE CENTRE LETHBRIDGE

526 Mayor Magrath Drive, South PH: 403 - 327 - 5701 Fax: 403 - 327 - 5075 Website: www.coasthotel.com

In preparation for your attendance to this year's conference, the committee has secured the following guaranteed hotel accommodations:

THE COAST HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTRE

(403) 327 - 5701 WHEN BOOKING YOUR ROOM PLEASE QUOTE: Alberta Development Officer's Association

22 Comfort Rooms @ \$95.00 per Night; 17 Superior Rooms @ \$104.00 per Night; 15 Premium Rooms @ \$112.00 per Night; 7 Premium Rooms @ \$130.00 per Night; 2 Exec King w/1 bedroom @ \$147.00 per Night; 2 Exec King Jacuzzi @ \$156.00 per Night

The room block will be held until August 27, 2011 (Cutoff Date) on which date any rooms not reserved, within the block, will be released to inventory for general sale.

Alternative Accommodations:

Sandman Hotel

(403) 328 - 1111 (The Sandman Hotel is diagonally across Mayor Magrath Drive South, and within walking distance of the Coast Hotel)

WHEN BOOKING YOUR ROOM PLEASE QUOTE: Alberta Development Officer's Association

Standard Twin \$ 89.00 per room per night; Standard Queen \$ 89.00 per room per night;

Corporate King \$ 89.00 per room per night; Junior Corporate \$ 89.00 per room per night

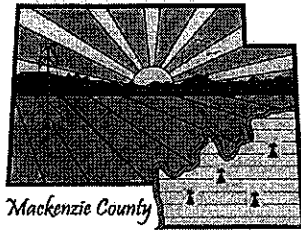
(Single or double occupancy with \$10.00 for additional person)

The room block will be held until September 4, 2011 on which date any rooms not reserved, within the block, will be released to inventory for general sale.

Other Accommodations available on Mayor Magrath Drive South:

Ramada Hotels, Travelodge, Holiday Inn, Camping Facilities: Henderson Lake 403-328-5452 Bridgeview RV 403-381-2357

"The Agenda and Application are Under Construction" Members will be updated via the ADOA website



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2011
Presented By:	J. Roy Brideau, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Information/Correspondence

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The following items are attached for your information, review, and action if required.

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: CAO

Government of Alberta ■
Agriculture and Rural Development

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Edmonton, Alberta T6H 5T6 Canada
Telephone: 310-FARM (3276)
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www.farmersadvocate.gov.ab.ca

April 26, 2011

✓ Reeve Bill Neufeld
Mackenzie County
4511-46 Avenue
Box 640
Fort Vermilion AB T0H 1N0



Hello

Dear Reeve Neufeld and Council:

I have been visiting rural municipalities over the last couple of months to provide an overview of the Farmers' Advocate Office (FAO) and hear what issues or concerns are pertinent in your area. Unfortunately, I have not been able to coordinate a time when I could meet with you however I have enclosed some brochures that outline who we are and what we do. I would be more than willing to meet with any of you in the future.

In the meantime, if there is anything we can do to assist your rate payers or should you have any specific issues that you would like to make my office aware of, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Our mandate is provided below for your information.

"The FAO works to ensure rural Albertans have consumer protection, rural opportunities and fair process. We administer the *Farm Implement Act* that provides consumer protection through warranty, parts availability and licensing provisions, including inspection to assist in FIB proceedings. Rural opportunity is realized through assisting landowners with managing their land asset, mitigating business risk and maximizing future economic opportunity as it relates to interaction with the energy industry. Fair process is facilitated through the development and implementation of peer oriented appeal processes.

Risk management, developing negotiation strategy, contract management and proactive pre-planning are key themes that the FAO promotes through information dissemination, education and client service. We offer basic mediation for disputes and will engage in advocacy for policy and legislation changes on behalf of the rural community. We encourage rural landowners to be progressive in protecting their interests but we do not offer legal advice or engage in case files where legal action is occurring."

Yours truly,

Jim Kiss
Farmers' Advocate of Alberta

Enclosures



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Accountability session on effective delivery of the Agricultural Operation Practices Act

An accountability session on effective delivery of the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* (AOPA) was held September 27, 2010 in Edmonton. Ministers Mel Knight, Sustainable Resource Development (SRD) and Jack Hayden, Agriculture and Rural Development (ARD), attended the session, which was chaired by deputy ministers Eric McGhan (SRD) and John Knapp (ARD). Members of the Policy Advisory Group (PAG) participated and provided the ministers and deputies with their assessments of successes achieved and opportunities for further improvements.

Successes included the NRCB's emphasis on using science-based evaluations at confined feeding operations to assess environmental risk levels and determine groundwater monitoring requirements. Members also commended the strong working relationships and policy development achieved through PAG, and the accessibility of the NRCB to stakeholders. Opportunities identified by PAG members included aspects of the legislation that would benefit from greater clarity (for example, grandfathering), increased transparency for AOPA standards and approval requirements, and additional consultation with municipalities on permit amendments. The report from the accountability session is available on the NRCB website.

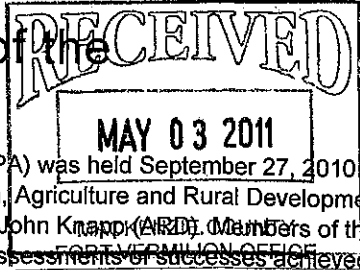
Board reviews under the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act*

In 2010, the NRCB board reviewed and amended one approval officer decision. The board upheld the Hutterian Brethren of Three Hills' request to use a natural cover for its earthen manure storage instead of a synthetic cover. It imposed conditions requiring a straw cover, minimum thickness, regular testing and reporting. The board also granted a review of an enforcement order, which is pending at the request of the operator.

To date, the board has reviewed two decisions in 2011:

- An approval granted to Grow North Inc. to construct a proposed confined feeding operation close to High Level, consisting of four feedlot barns to collectively house 5000 beef finishers. The hearing was held in High Level on March 1. The board determined that the application was inconsistent with the land use provisions in the municipal development plan. It also concluded that, in this instance, it would not be appropriate for the board to use its authority to override the provisions restricting CFO development. The board overturned the approval and released its decision on April 11.
- An AOPA permit allowing Zealand Farms to construct a new 95,000 poultry broiler operation in Ponoka County. The board hearing was held March 23 in Ponoka. The decision report will be released within four to six weeks.

Board decision reports are available on the NRCB website.



Policy Advisory Group update

The Policy Advisory Group (PAG) met September 27, 2010 in conjunction with the accountability session, and on February 2, 2011. Over the past year, PAG has provided valuable input to discussions on the NRCB's leak detection program and the new policy on amending municipal permits. Future discussions will address issues such as nutrient management under AOPA, cumulative effects and the judicial review process.

PAG members are appointed by each livestock sector, municipal and environmental non-government organizations, Alberta Environment, Agriculture and Rural Development, and the NRCB. A current list of members and the PAG terms of reference are available on the NRCB website. The next PAG meeting will be held October 4, 2011.

AOPA applications and enforcement

	2010-11	2009-10
Applications received	201*	120
Permits issued	157*	82
Complaints by number of operations	227**	221
Enforcement orders issued	3	1

*71 applications and 66 permits issued were approval officer amendments.

**The majority of complaints continue to be about odour.

Leak detection program (LDP) and permit amendments

The leak detection project ended in 2010. Nearly 80 per cent of the 257 operations were ranked low risk. A low risk rating indicates that the groundwater is protected by either or both the facility construction and natural features of the site. The NRCB was able to suspend the monitoring requirements for the low risk facilities. Of the remainder, only four per cent were ranked high risk. Moderate and high risk facilities must continue to be monitored. In a few cases, monitoring has been increased.

The NRCB is amending the permits in consultation with the operators and municipalities that originally issued the permits. Monitoring conditions will remain in the permits, but will be amended for future flexibility and to accurately reflect site risks. Operators who would like the conditions removed from their permit must formally apply for the amendment. This process requires public notification. The NRCB expects to complete all permit amendments by fall 2011.

Seasonal reminders

- **Application timelines for 2011 construction**—Please submit your application to the NRCB as soon as possible for construction in 2011. For help preparing your application, please contact an ARD extension specialist. For information about AOPA requirements, contact the NRCB field office nearest you.
- **Surface water protection**—Operators are reminded to prevent surface water contamination from manure run off caused by snow melt and spring rain. If you have any questions, please contact the nearest NRCB field office for information.

Risk based compliance program underway

The NRCB's risk based compliance program was implemented in 2010. The updated compliance and enforcement policy includes the risk based compliance program and became effective in spring 2010. Information about the program and policy are available on the NRCB website or by contacting an NRCB field office.

The program uses three criteria to identify confined feeding operations that may pose a risk to groundwater: use of an earthen manure storage facility (these facilities pose more risk than other storage facilities); construction of the facility before 2002 (construction may not meet AOPA standards, or the construction standard may be unknown); and location in a region identified by Alberta Environment maps as having high groundwater vulnerability. Operations that meet all three criteria are being contacted by the NRCB to set up a risk screening. To date, the NRCB has screened 16 of 172 operations under the program. NRCB staff are reviewing the results and will be working with operators to address any follow up issues.

New requirement for groundwater well sampling by independent third party consultants

On a go-forward basis, groundwater monitoring well sampling is to be conducted by a qualified, independent third party contractor. For more information, contact your nearest NRCB field office or Andy Cumming, Director, Field Services at 403-381-5166 (dial 310-0000 for toll free).

Technical guideline now available

The new technical guideline *Reclamation of Groundwater Monitoring Wells* is now available and will be of interest to operators and consultants. The guideline is available from any NRCB field office or ARD extension office, and is posted on the NRCB website.

Guidelines under development include:

- monitoring well construction
- confined feeding operation closure
- concrete, and
- geotechnical assessment of earthen liners and protective layers.

Vacant approval officer position filled

The NRCB is pleased to announce that Kari Lisowski will join the Red Deer office as an approval officer, effective April 19th, filling the vacancy created by Sandi Robert's retirement. Kari's background includes experience in agricultural consulting, teaching at Lakeland College, and, most recently, work with Sustainable Resource Development's Public Lands Division in southern Alberta.



NRCB | Natural Resources Conservation Board

Copies of the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* and the *Natural Resources Conservation Board Act* can be obtained from the Queen's Printer at www.qp.gov.ab.ca or through the NRCB website. For additional copies of this publication, contact the Edmonton office of the NRCB at 780-422-1977 or email info@nrcb.gov.ab.ca. Dial 310-0000 to be connected toll free to any NRCB office.

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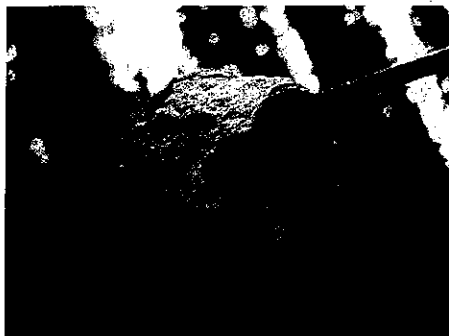
Alberta Forest Week — May 2 - 8, 2011

Join us and Sustainable Resources Development for Alberta Forest Week Activities!

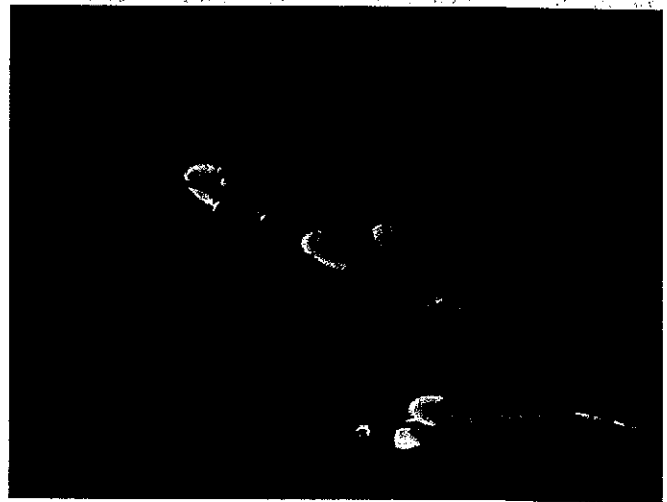
Alberta Forest Week is the first week of May! To celebrate, SRD is hosting two events. Everyone is welcome!

On Wednesday, May 4, you can take a tour of the Arboretum from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, and 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. The Arboretum is located near the SRD offices at the airport. Turn left onto the airport road, go past the Footner Pond, and turn left again at the next driveway, near the brown SRD building. The Arboretum is on the left. SRD staff will be on hand to do the tours and answer questions.

On Friday, May 6th, there will be a free BBQ and Treasure Hunt at Footner Pond. Festivities start at 3:00 pm. The Treasure hunt runs from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm (with prizes!), and then a BBQ with Bertie



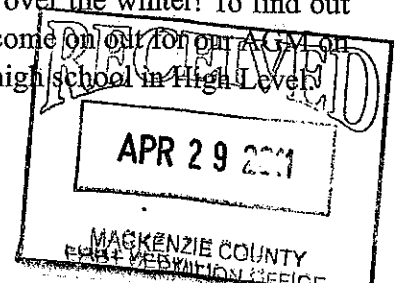
the Beaver runs from 4:30 until 6:00 p.m. Come out for hot dogs, pop, chips, smores, and tree give-a-ways!



Spring is in the Air!

After a long, dreary winter, we're all glad to see signs of spring everywhere — the snow disappearing, creeks running, Canada Geese returning, and pussy willows emerging. Soon, we'll see buds on the trees and the grass start to grow.

The society's been busy over the winter! To find out what we've been up to, come on out for our AGM on May 12, 7:00 pm at the high school in High Level.



Science Camps

John Thurston, the NLFES Forest Educator, is busy organizing this year's Science Camps. The camps, designed for Grades Four and Six, promote environmental education while following the Alberta Science curriculum. Each camp (a maximum of 30 students per day) offers a fun day of science in the forest, consisting of lessons in the morning and an environmental game in the afternoon.

The theme of the Grade Four Science Camp is "The Boreal Forest and Waste in Our World." This investigates how nature decomposes and uses natural material generated by the forest. The Grade Six camp, "Trees and Forests," introduces students to some of the plants and animals of the boreal forest and the role trees play in the ecosystem.

The Grade Four Science Camps are scheduled to run in May. Spirit of the North Community School, St Mary's School and Hill Crest Community School will join Mr. T at Machesis Lake, while Buffalo Head Prairie and Ridgeview Schools will meet him at

Jake's Lake (Lake Tourangeau). Our Forest Educator will also travel to Meander River where Upper Hay River School will be participating.

The Grade Six Science Camps are planned for June. Schools that participated in May will then be sending their Grade Six classes to either Machesis Lake or Jake's Lake for their day of learning in the bush.

This will be the third year that the Northern Lights Forest Education Society has offered these Science Camps free of charge to schools. Unfortunately, due to financial constraints, the Society will no longer be able to do so next year. Thus participating schools will be asked to help cover some of the costs in the 2011 – 2012 school year.

Northern Lights Forest Education Society Annual General Meeting

Please join us on Thursday, May 12,
7:00 pm at High Level Public School for
our AGM.



2011 Bursary

The NLFES provides a bursary for students interested in pursuing a full-time post-secondary education in forestry or an environmental-related field of study. The programs must lead to a certificate, diploma or degree.

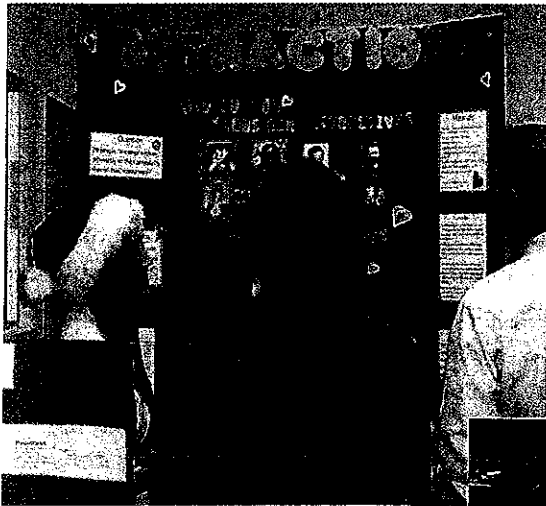
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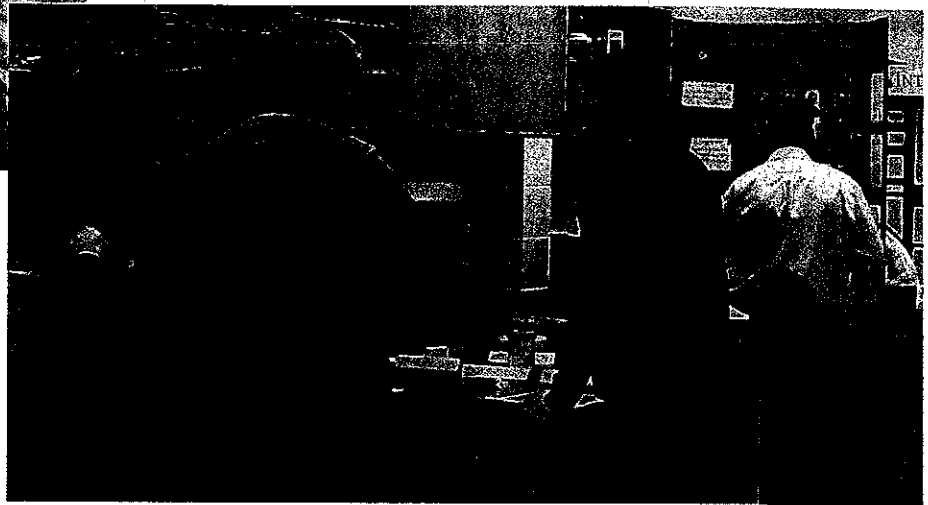
three awards of \$1000. Half is contributed from the NLFES and half from Northern Alberta Development Fund (NADF). Applications are available on our website www.nlfes.org/funding.html

The deadline for bursary applications is May 1, 2011. Please see our website for more information.

NLFES Supports Young, Creative Minds!



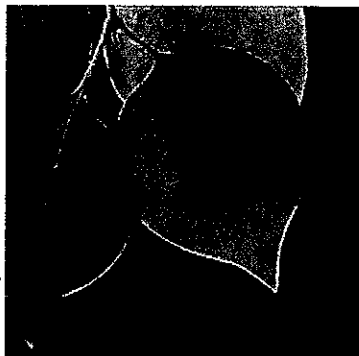
We have had some great opportunities to help foster the love of science through our local science fairs this year. In December, Darren and Teresa volunteered as judges at the High Level Public School science fair and in March, John judged at the Fort Vermilion School Divisional science fair at Hillcrest. The next level of competition is the regional science fair in Fairview, which students from our area must attend to compete for a chance to go to the Canada-Wide Science Fair. NLFES is proud to have helped by providing sponsorship to the Peace Country Regional science Fair so that they can continue to provide this opportunity for students to showcase their creativity and love of science.



Arboretum Renewal

Sustainable Resource Development is going to be expanding their arboretum at the airport. Ultimately, they will be expanding the number of tree species in the arboretum, but this year, most of the work will be in preparing the land and building a fence.

Students in the BLAST program built a picnic table, and other students from the high school will be helping design the identification signs.



Lecture Series

Members of the NLFES are working on creating a lecture series! We're looking at bringing speakers to High Level to talk on topics such as:

- forest health
- pine beetle
- wildlife & habitats
- wildfire fighting & prevention
- sustainable forestry

If you work in any of the following areas, or have experts on these topics coming to High Level, please contact us so we can work together! See the last page of this newsletter for contact info.

Message from the President

Hello everyone,

Summer is fast approaching even though I am looking out at a fresh skill of snow. Our educator John Thurston will be starting the science camps in May involving local schools. These camps are very popular and the NLFES is proud to provide this learning opportunity – thank-you John. We are working with Alberta Sustainable Resources Development and students at High Level Public school to develop, build and place signs in the arboretum identifying the plants and providing some ecological information. The society is working on a bigger project that we will provide more information on once we have approvals in place. We also have a bursary available for a local student; please let students know and encourage them to put in an application.

The society is eager to expand on the educational opportunities in the coming year so if you would like to be involved come out to our AGM on May 12 or become a sponsor. I would like to thank our current sponsors for their support – it makes a world of difference and benefits the local area. I am looking forward to the accomplishments we will achieve this year.

I wish everyone the very best this spring and may you all have a great summer.

Sincerely,

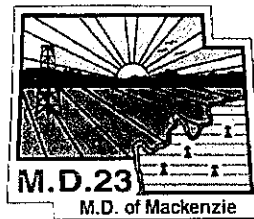
Tim Heemskerk, RPF

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