

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, February 9, 2010
10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

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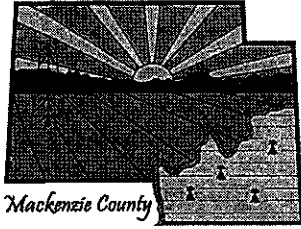
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NEXT MEETING DATE: 16. a) Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 24, 2010
4:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

ADJOURNMENT: 17. a) Adjournment



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Minutes of the January 27, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Minutes of the January 27, 2010 Regular Council meeting are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the minutes of the January 27, 2010 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: _____ CAO 

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 27, 2010
4:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT:

Greg Newman	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Peter F. Braun	Councillor (via teleconference)
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Ed Froese	Councillor
Bill Neufeld	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Stuart Watson	Councillor

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION:

William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
John Klassen	Director of Operations (South)
Dave Crichton	Director of Operations (North)
Mary Jo Van Order	Director of Planning & Development
Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on January 27, 2010 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Newman called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

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

MOTION 10-01-055 **MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 14. d) Fire Invoice #9631
- 11. b) Rail Review
- 10. n) REDI Forestry Study

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) **Minutes of the January 12, 2010 Regular Council Meeting**

MOTION 10-01-056

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the January 27, 2010 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4. a) **None**

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) **None**

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) **Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes – November 25, 2009**

MOTION 10-01-057

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting minutes of November 25, 2009 be received for information.

CARRIED

6. b) **Agricultural Service Board Meeting Minutes – December 10, 2009**

MOTION 10-01-058

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Agricultural Service Board meeting minutes of December 10, 2009 be received for information.

CARRIED

TENDERS:

8. a) **None**

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

9. a) **None**

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

10. a) **Electoral Boundary Review and Municipal Census**

MOTION 10-01-059

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration be instructed to set up teleconferences with three consultants regarding the electoral boundary review and the municipal census for February 8, 2010.

CARRIED

10. b) Letter from David Peters Regarding Taxes and Municipal Assessor

MOTION 10-01-060

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the letter from David Peters regarding taxes on tax roll 082016 be received for information.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) Bylaw 748/09 Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the Cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3 and Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the Purpose of Consolidation

Reeve Newman called the public hearing for Bylaw 748/09 to order at 4:38 p.m.

Reeve Newman asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 748/09 was properly advertised. Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Newman asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed land use bylaw amendment. Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on December 8, 2009.

Reeve Newman asked if Council has any questions of the proposed land use bylaw amendment. There were no questions.

Reeve Newman asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 748/09. No submissions were received.

Reeve Newman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 748/09. No one was present to speak.

Reeve Newman closed the public hearing for Bylaw 748/09 at 4:43 p.m.

MOTION 10-01-061

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 748/09 being the cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3 and Plan 2938 RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the purpose of consolidation.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-01-062

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That third reading be given to Bylaw 748/09 being the cancellation of Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 3 and Plan 2938RS, Block 3, Lot 4 for the purpose of consolidation.

CARRIED

10. c) La Crete Agricultural Society – Request for Tax Reimbursement

MOTION 10-01-063

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That \$741.52 for tax roll 075284 be written off and a refund be issued to the La Crete Agricultural Society.

CARRIED

10. d) Tax Write Off – Tax Roll 077770

MOTION 10-01-064

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That \$4.73 in penalties and the 2009 levy of \$78.81 for tax roll 077770 be written off and the 2010 penalty of \$10.02 be voided.

CARRIED

10. e) Tax Write Off – Tax Roll 214684

MOTION 10-01-065

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That levies and penalties totaling \$2,864.27 be written off to reflect the correct assessment on roll 214684.

CARRIED

10. f) 2008 Financial Indicator Graphs

MOTION 10-01-066

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the County's 2008 Financial Indicator Graphs be accepted for information.

CARRIED

10. g) Mackenzie Housing Management Board Funding Request

MOTION 10-01-067

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the first quarter payment in the amount of \$142,053 be issued to the Mackenzie Housing Management Board based on the 2009 seniors lodge requisition

CARRIED

10. h) La Crete Youth Activity Centre – Request for Letter of Support

MOTION 10-01-068

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a letter of support be provided to the La Crete Youth Activity Centre for their Skills Link Program.

CARRIED

10. i) Equipment Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION 10-01-069

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Equipment Committee Terms of Reference be approved as amended.

CARRIED

10. j) Meeting with the Town of Rainbow Lake

MOTION 10-01-070

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That Council arrange to meet with the Town of Rainbow Lake on February 26, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. in High Level.

CARRIED

10. k) Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA)

MOTION 10-01-071

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Reeve or designate be authorized to attend the APEGGA reception and dinner on February 10, 2010 in Grande Prairie.

CARRIED

10. l) Municipal Operations & Standards Manual

MOTION 10-01-072

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration be instructed to proceed with upgrading the Mackenzie County Municipal Operations and Standards Manual using Stewart, Weir & Co. Ltd..

CARRIED

10. m) Tolko Burner Conversation

MOTION 10-01-073

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That the Tolko burner conversation be tabled to the in-camera discussion.

CARRIED

10. n) REDI Forestry Study (ADDITION)

MOTION 10-01-074

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor

That two alternate Councillors be authorized to attend the REDI forestry study luncheon on February 3, 2010 in High Level.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

11. a) Green Zone/White Zone Weed Control

MOTION 10-01-075

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the County instruct the Agricultural Service Board to formulate a plan to combat renegade noxious weeds in the green zone and bring a recommendation back to Council by the end of March 2010.

CARRIED

MOTION 10-01-076

Requires Unanimous

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

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE**

MOTION 10-01-077

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 10-01-078

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MOTION 10-01-080

11. b) Rail Review (ADDITION)

MOVED by Reeve Newman

That the County with all interested stakeholders develop a rail business plan for our region and present it prior to the deadline.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. a) None

13. a) Information/Correspondence

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

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

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 5:23 p.m.

- 14. a) Seniors Lodges
- 14. b) Town of High Level Arbitration
- 14. c) Personnel
- 10. m) Tolko Burner Conversion

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council move out of camera at 7:12 p.m.

CARRIED

14. a) Seniors Lodge

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That when the need is shown for any additional lodge facilities anywhere in the region Mackenzie County will support a review of the requisitioning bodies.

CARRIED

14. b) Town of High Level Arbitration

MOTION 10-01-081

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Town of High Level arbitration update be received for information.

CARRIED

14. c) Personnel

MOTION 10-01-082

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the personnel restructuring report be received as discussed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION 10-01-083

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Council approve the annual salary adjustment at 4% for Out of Scope staff.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. d) Fire Invoice #9631 (ADDITION)

MOTION 10-01-084
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor

That fire invoice #9631 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. m) Tolko Burner Conversion

MOTION 10-01-085

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That the Tolko burner conversion be tabled for more information.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE:

15. a) Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 9, 2010

10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

ADJOURNMENT: **16. a) Adjournment**

MOTION 10-01-086 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

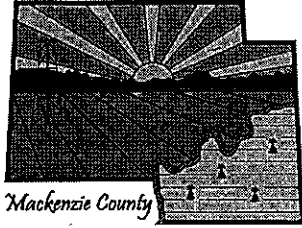
CARRIED

These minutes will be presented to Council for approval on February 9, 2010.

Greg Newman
Reeve

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Mackenzie Housing Management Board Meeting Minutes December 14, 2009

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:


Information item. The adopted minutes of the December 14, 2009 meetings are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Mackenzie Housing Management Board meeting minutes of December 14, 2009 be received for information.

Author: C. Gabriel Review By: _____ CAO 

**MACKENZIE HOUSING MANAGEMENT BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 14, 2009 – 10:00 A.M.
Fireside Room – Heimstaed Lodge**

In Attendance: Wally Schroeder, Chair
George Friesen
Abe Peters
Dave Neufeld
Daryl Zielsdorf
Peter H. Wieler

Regrets: Ray Toews, Vice Chair
Norm Van Vliet
Shirley Rechlo
Ellis Forest

Guests: Paul Driedger, LCMNA
Bishop John Klassen
Bishop Nick Boehlig

Administration: Barb Spurgeon, Chief Administrative Officer
Dorothy Klassen, Lodge Manager
Lisa Unruh, Executive Assistant

Call to Order: Chair Wally Schroeder called the Board meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Schroeder introduced Mr. Peter Wieler as a new Board Member.

Agenda: **Approval of Agenda**

09-136 Moved by George Friesen

That the agenda be amended as follows:

Add: 2.1 Old Colony and Sommerfelder Church Delegation
Change item 2.1 to 2.2 La Crete Municipal Nursing Association
Change 6.2 to 8.1 Revenue & Draft Lodge Budget 2010
Change 6.3 to 8.2 Draft Assisted Living Budget
Change 6.4 to 8.3 ISL Policy Amendment

Carried

Delegation – Old Colony and Sommerfelder Church

Chairman Schroeder welcomed Bishop John Klassen and Bishop Nick Boehlig to the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

A general discussion was held on a Christmas tree in the Lodge.

Chairman Schroeder thanked Bishop John Klassen and Bishop Nick Boehlig for their presentation and they left the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

Delegation – LCMNA

Chairman Schroeder welcomed Paul Driedger, from La Crete Municipal Nursing Association to the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

Mr. Driedger discussed with the Board the lease for the Heimstaed Lodge and answered Board Members' questions.

Chairman Schroeder thanked Paul Driedger for his presentation and he left the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Minutes:

November 03, 2009 Board Meeting

09-137

Moved by Dave Neufeld

That the minutes of the November 03, 2009 Board meeting be approved as presented.

Carried

Reports:

CAO Report

09-138

Moved by George Friesen

That the Chief Administrative Officer report be accepted for information.

Carried

Financial Reports

Housing – November 30, 2009

09-139

Moved by Daryl Zielsdorf

That the November 30, 2009 Housing financial report be accepted for information.

Carried

Lodge – November 30, 2009

09-140

Moved by George Friesen

That the November 30, 2009 Lodge financial report be accepted for information.

Carried

Assisted Care – November 30, 2009

09-141

Moved by Dave Neufeld

That the November 30, 2009 Assisted Care financial report be accepted for information.

Carried

Arrears Report

09-142

Moved by Abe Peters

That the November 2009 arrears report be received for information.

Daryl Zielsdorf left the room at 10:50 a.m.

New Business: **Lease Payments to LCMNA**

George Friesen and Abe Peters left the room at 10:51 a.m.
due to conflict of interest.

09-143 Moved by Dave Neufeld
That the 2010 budget include an increase to the lodge rent
by \$3500.00 a month

Carried

George Friesen and Abe Peters re-entered the room at 10:56 a.m.
Daryl Zielsdorf re-entered the room 10:56 a.m.

Information Items:

09-144 Moved by Abe Peters

That the following items be accepted for information:

Bank reconciliation for October 2009
Newsletter

Carried

Chairman Schroeder recessed the regular board meeting at
11:00 a.m.

Chairman Schroeder reconvened the regular board meeting
at 11:03 a.m.

In Camera **Revenue & Draft Lodge Budget 2010**
Draft Assisted Living Budget
ISL Policy Amendment

09-145 Moved by George Friesen

That consideration be given to move in camera at 11:04 a.m.

Carried

09-146

Moved by Abe Peters

That consideration be given to move out of in-camera at 12:15 p.m.

Carried

09-147

Moved by Dave Neufeld

That rent in the Heimstaed Senior's Lodge be increased to \$1015.00 per month effective March 1, 2010.

Carried

09-148

Moved by George Friesen

That the personal service fees be increased to \$50.00 per month effective March 1, 2010.

Carried

09-149

Moved by Abe Peters

That the interim 2010 Supportive Living operating budget be approved at fifty (50%) percent of the 2009 operating budget.

Carried

09-150

Moved by Peter Wieler

That the interim 2010 Lodge operating budget be approved at fifty (50%) percent of the 2009 operating budget.

Carried

09-151

Moved by Daryl Zielsdorf

That the Illness/Special Leave Policy be approved as amended effective January 1, 2010.

Carried

Next Meeting Date: Regular Board Meeting
January 25, 2010 – 10:00 a.m.
Fireside Room – Phase I
Heimstaed Lodge

Adjournment:

09-152

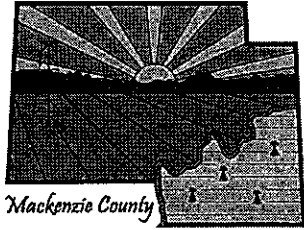
Moved by Daryl Zielsdorf

That the board meeting of December 14, 2009 be adjourned
at 12:20 p.m.

Carried

Wally Schroeder, Chair

Lisa Unruh, Executive Assistant



MACKENZIE COUNTY

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development
Title:	PUBLIC HEARING Bylaw 753/09 to Amend 618/07 Partial Cancellation of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 (Part of NW 13-106-15-W5M) (La Crete Rural)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 753/09, being a Bylaw to amend the description of Bylaw 618/07, received first reading at the January 12, 2010 Council meeting. Bylaw 618/07 is a Land Use Bylaw amendment to cancel a part of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 in order to revert the lands back into NW 13-106-15-W5M. Registration of these Bylaws will serve to reduce the size of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 by 2.07 acres (0.85 hectares).

Bylaw 618/07 was forwarded to the surveyor after adoption by Council however registration of it was delayed due to the golf course subdivision within another area of the lands and a delay in the surveyor receiving the necessary landowner signatures. After the registration of the golf course subdivision and receipt of the signatures in 2009, the documentation was submitted to Land Titles by the surveyor. Land Titles rejected the documentation for three reasons, one of which being the Bylaw wording that they previously approved.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Bylaw 753/09 is needed to amend the description of Bylaw 618/07 in order to register the subdivision change with Land Titles.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

Author: Marion Krahn,
Development Officer

Reviewed by: Mary Jo Van Order,
Director of Planning
and Development

CAO

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION 1:

That second reading be given to Bylaw 753/09, being a bylaw amending the description in Bylaw 618/07 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting a portion of the subdivided lands back into NW 13-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

MOTION 2:

That third reading be given to Bylaw 753/09, being a bylaw amending the description in Bylaw 618/07 for the purpose of cancelling and reverting a portion of the subdivided lands back into NW 13-106-15-W5M, from which the subdivision was taken.

Author: Marion Krahn,
Development Officer

Reviewed by: Mary Jo Van Order, **CAO**
Director of Planning
and Development

Mackenzie County

PUBLIC HEARING FOR LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT

BYLAW 753/09

Order of Presentation

_____ This Public Hearing will now come to order at _____.

_____ Was the Public Hearing properly advertised?

_____ Will the Development Authority _____, please outline the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment and present his submission.

_____ Does the Council have any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment?

_____ Were any submissions received in regards to the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment? *If yes, please read them.*

_____ Is there anyone present who would like to speak in regards of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment?

_____ If YES: Does the Council have any questions of the person(s) making their presentation?

_____ This Hearing is now closed at _____.

REMARKS/COMMENTS:

BYLAW NO. 753/09

**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, Council of Mackenzie County passed all three readings of Bylaw 618/07 thereby cancelling a portion of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 for the purpose reverting it to quarter section status and consolidating it with NW 13-106-15-W5M in accordance with the Municipal Government Act Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, and

WHEREAS, Bylaw 618/07 requires description amendments as specified by Alberta Land Titles Registries prior to registration, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF MACKENZIE COUNTY DOES HEREBY AMEND THE DESCRIPTION IN BYLAW 618/07 TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

1. All that portion of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 lying east of a line drawn parallel with and perpendicularly distant 57 meters westerly from the east boundary thereof containing 0.84 hectares (2.07 acres) more or less be cancelled and reverted to quarter section status and consolidated back into NW 13-106-15-W5M from which it was taken.

READ a first time this 12th day of January, 2010.

READ a second time this ___ day of _____, 2010.

READ a third time and finally passed this ___ day of _____, 2010.

Greg Newman
Reeve

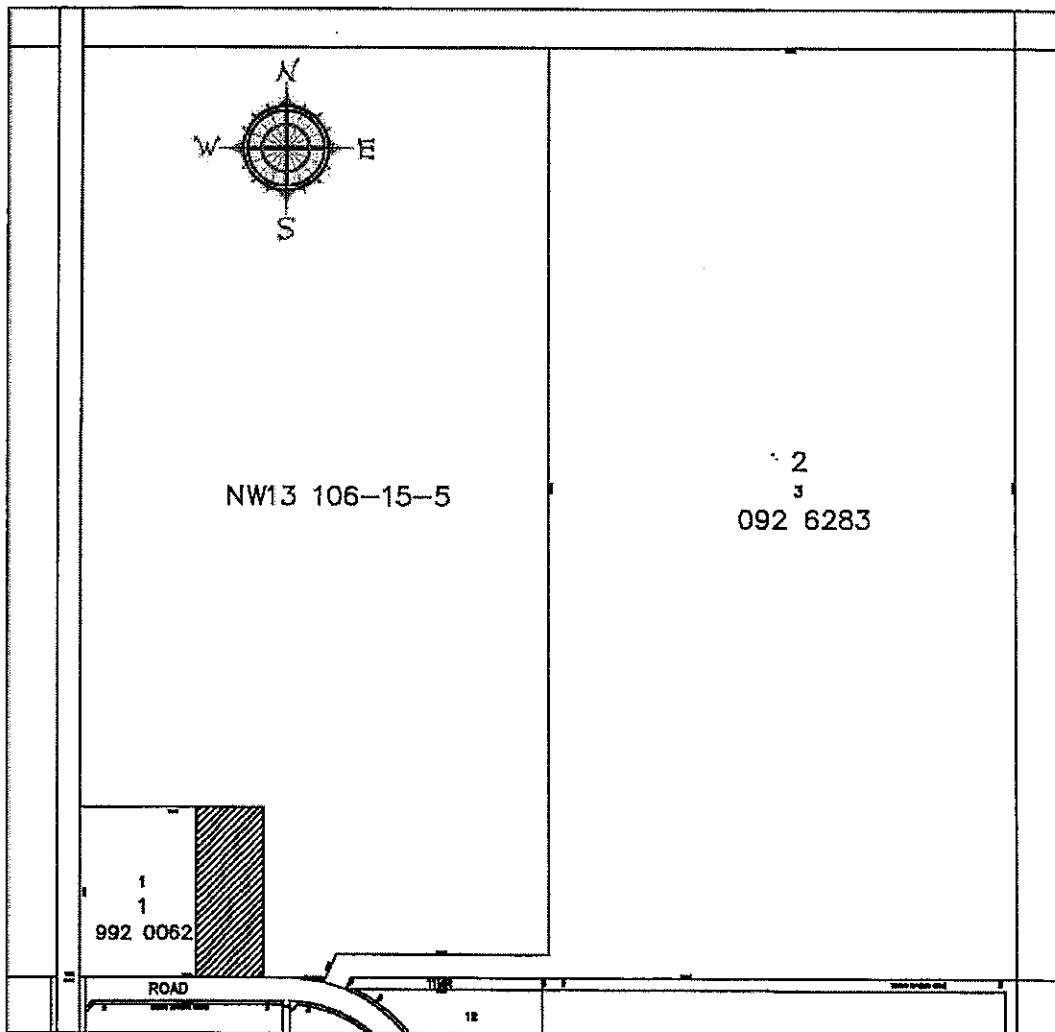
William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

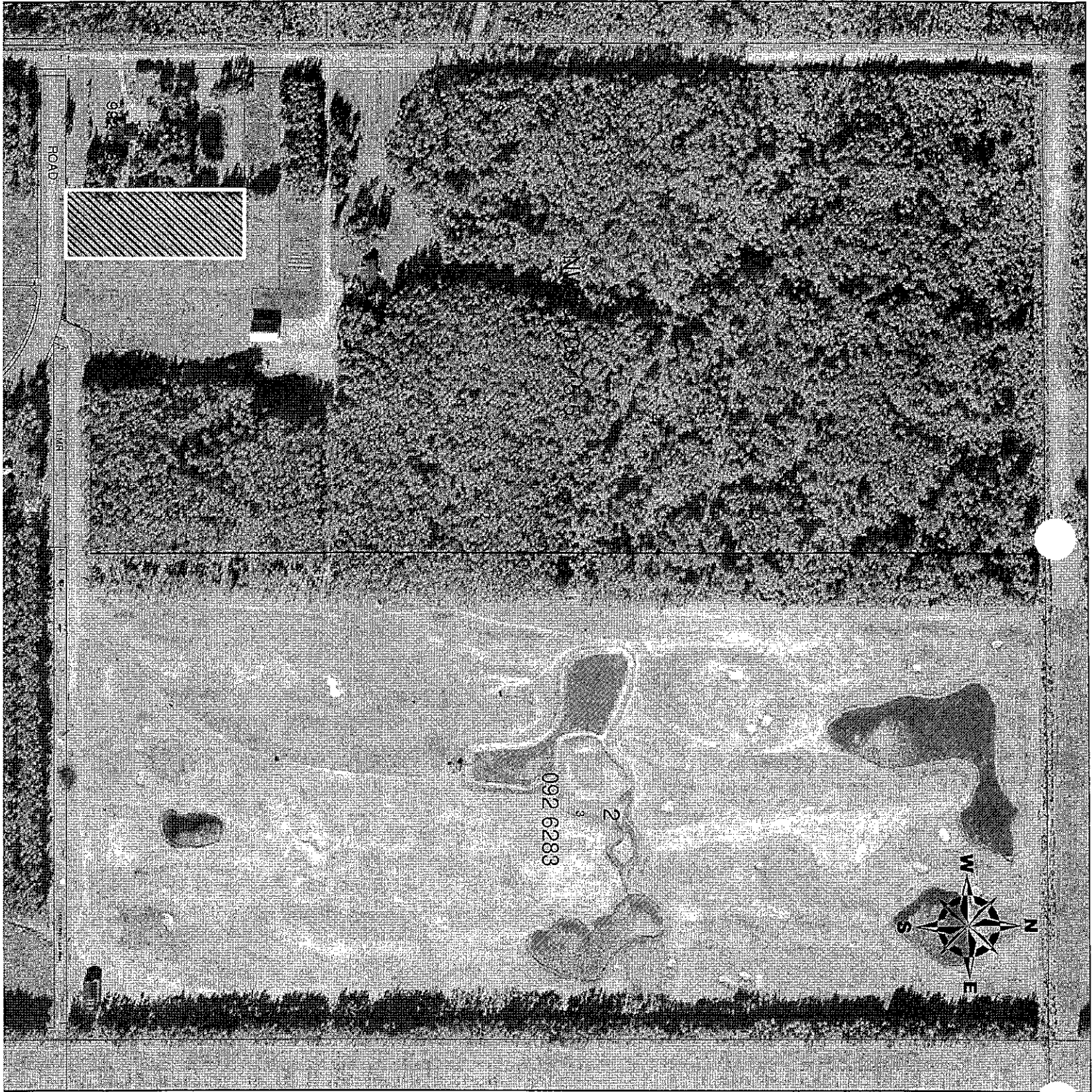
BYLAW NO. 753/09

SCHEDULE "A"

1. That the subdivision of the following property known as:

- a) All that portion of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 lying east of a line drawn parallel with and perpendicularly distant 57 meters westerly from the east boundary thereof containing 0.84 hectares (2.07 acres) more or less be cancelled and reverted to quarter section status and consolidated back into NW 13-106-15-W5M from which it was taken.





BYLAW NO. 618/07
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, Council of Mackenzie County has determined that the subdivision as outlined on Schedule A attached hereto, be subject to the cancellation, and

WHEREAS Peter Harder and Kathy Harder, being the registered owners of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1, and Herman Wiebe and Tena Wiebe, being the registered owners of NW 13-106-15-W5M have requested that a portion of the lands be cancelled and consolidated;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of Mackenzie County does hereby enact as follows:

1. That the portion of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 being described as the most easterly 57 meters in perpendicular width of the lot be cancelled and reverted back to NW 13-106-15-W5M and the remainder of Lot 1, Block 1 is to be cancelled and issued as Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 992 0062.

First reading given on the 11th day of April, 2007.

(signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

Second Reading given on the 8th day of May, 2007.

(signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

Third Reading and Assent given on the 8th day of May, 2007.

(signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

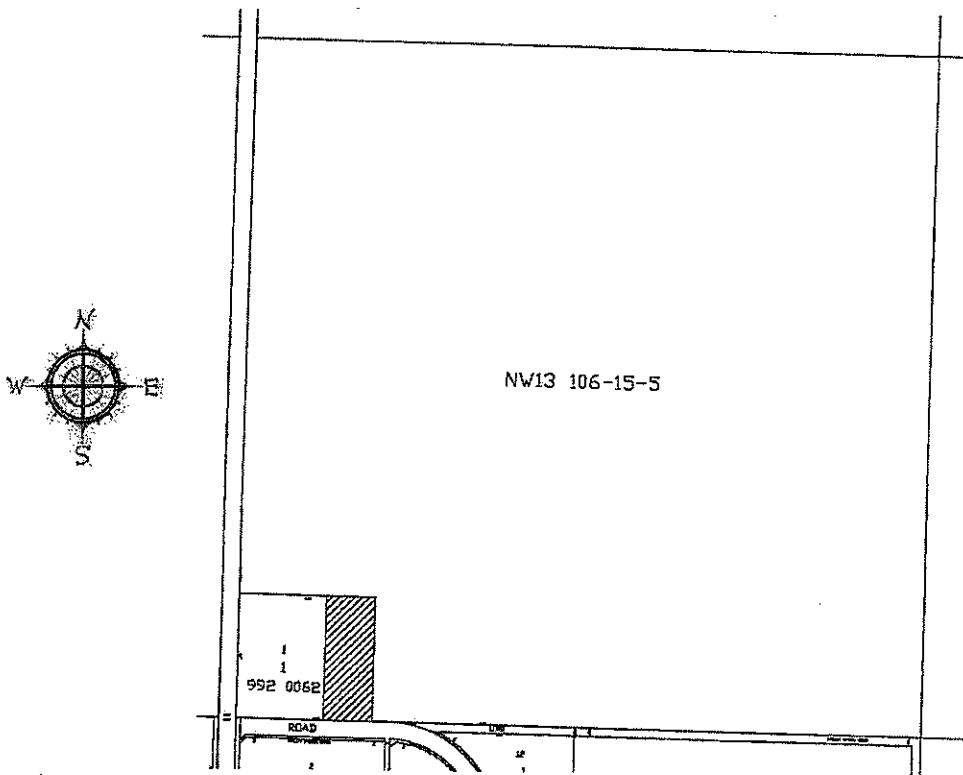
BYLAW No. 618/07

SCHEDULE "A"

1. That the subdivision of the following property known as:

That the portion of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 being described as the most easterly 57 meters in perpendicular width of the lot be cancelled and reverted back to NW 13-106-15-W5M and the remainder of Lot 1, Block 1 is to be cancelled and issued as Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 992 0062.

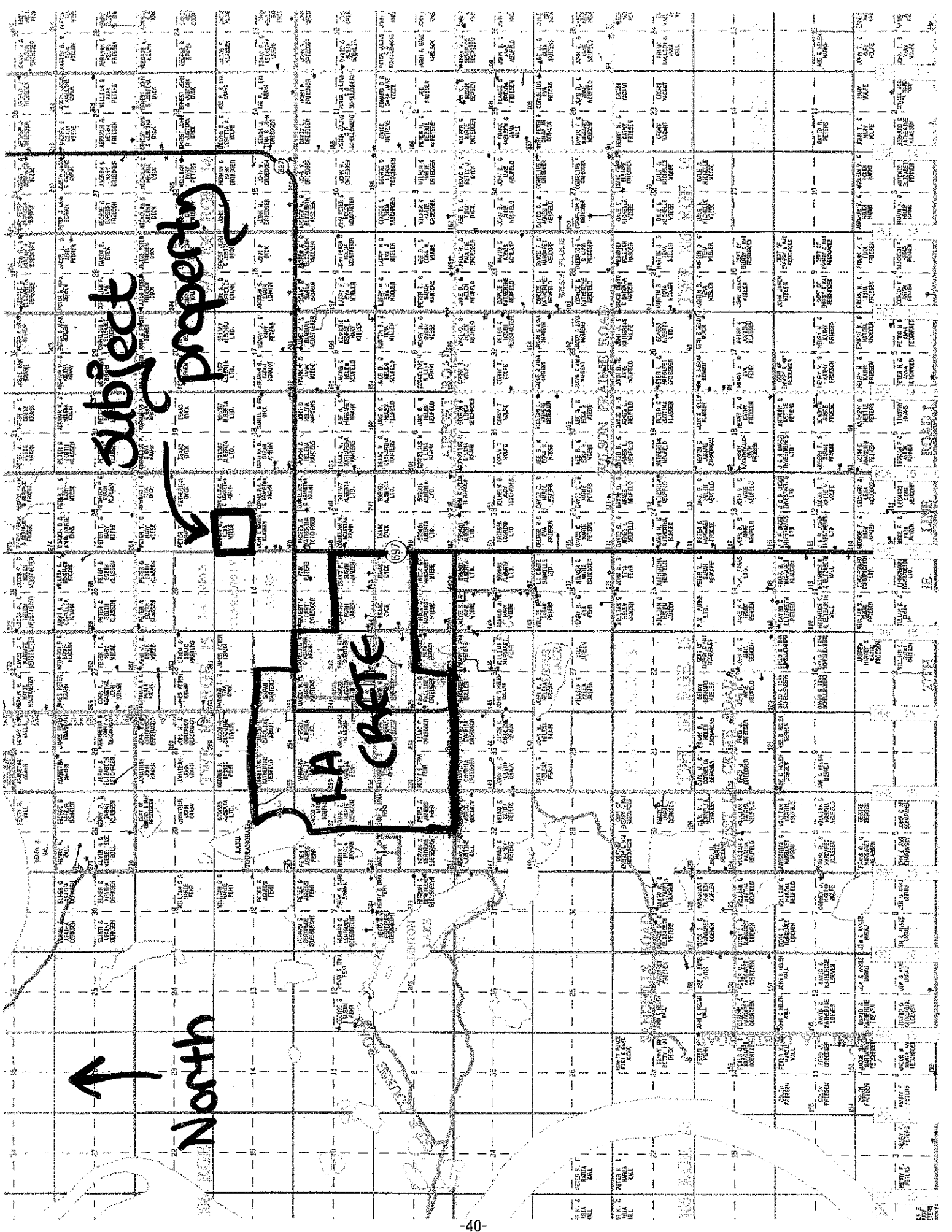
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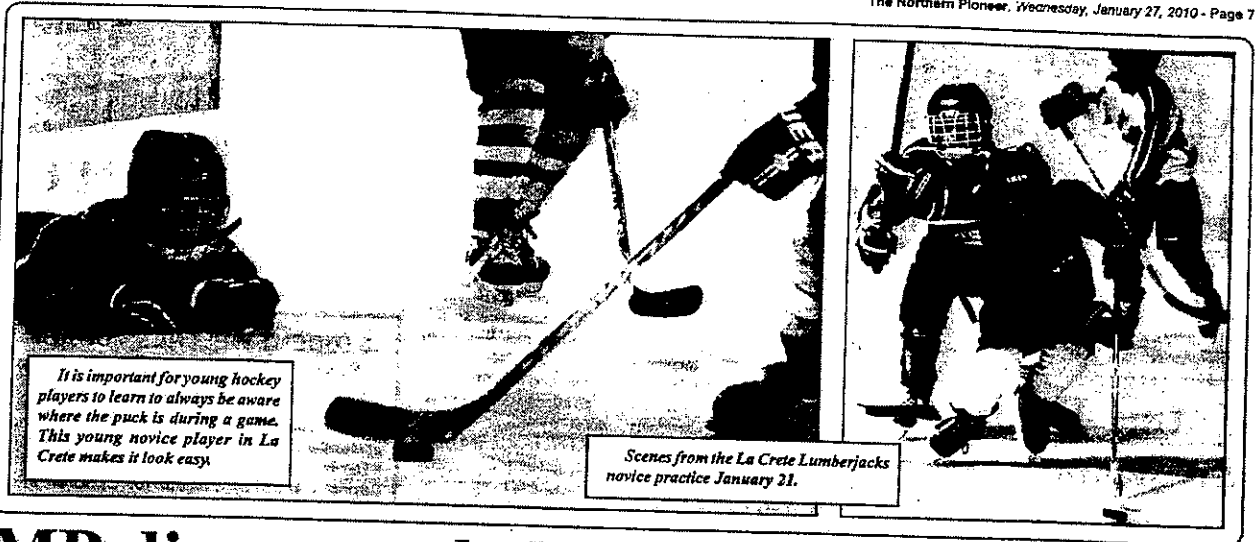
EFFECTIVE THIS 8th DAY OF MAY, 2007.



subject property

LA CRETE

North



It is important for young hockey players to learn to always be aware where the puck is during a game. This young novice player in La Crete makes it look easy.

Scenes from the La Crete Lumberjacks novice practice January 21.

MP discusses challenges and advantages as Peace Country moves into the future

Chris Warkentin, Member of Parliament for Peace River, will be holding Public Town Hall Meetings over the next two weeks in several communities in the riding of Peace River. He will be in High Level Tuesday, February 2, at Town of High Level Council Chamber, 7:00pm. MP for Peace River Chris Warkentin believes there are untapped resources in the Peace Country and we must be poised for prosperity as the economy improves.

Warkentin addressed Grimshaw Rotary on Jan. 12.

He told the room of Rotarians and guests that the Peace Country will face the challenge of finding workers as the workforce begins to shrink in the coming years.

Based on studies and books he has been reading, as the Baby Boomers retire the Canadian workforce will begin to decline. Until now it has either remained the same or grown. In 2015 the workforce will start to shrink and there will be more jobs than workers, as the Peace Country experienced before the recession, Warkentin said.

He spoke about how the Peace Country economy is based on natural resources, such as the petroleum and forest industries. While this region has seen mill closures and a slow down of oil and gas activity, we have fared better than other parts of the country.

"When the market for wood fibre increases, we will be well positioned," he said.

The government is un-

dertaking unique measures to ensure a stable future for forestry as well, Warkentin said.

For example, as part of aid to China after an earthquake, the government provided them with wood building packages to replace lost buildings. The wooden buildings stand up better to earthquakes than other types of materials and the government is hopeful the Chinese begin to move

to more wood building construction.

On the oil and gas front, Canada has the second largest reserves of oil in the world and as technology improves more of it will become available.

Warkentin also talked about resources in the Peace Country that are taken for granted, such as Peace River. The fresh water of the Peace River combined with other factors could be a ma-

ior draw for some industrial companies. Also, the Peace Country has the largest area of unexploited agriculture land.

A major issue Warkentin says is his top priority is the exporting of goods from the region. Rail service and road infrastructure will need to be upgraded and different sectors of industry will need to come together to develop a plan, he said.

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**Perennial Insurance Deadline
February 28, 2010**

In 2009, Perennial Insurance from Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) helped nearly 5,000 producers across the province deal with low soil moisture levels and tough growing conditions.

PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT.

Call AFSC for a customized hay and pasture estimate before the February 28, 2010 deadline.

1-877-899-AFSC www.AFSC.ca

Growing Forward is a federal-provincial-territorial initiative.

MACKENZIE COUNTY

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED LAND USE BYLAW NO. 753/09**

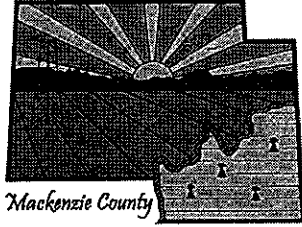
PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, being Chapter M-26 of the Statutes of Alberta, notice is hereby given that the Council of Mackenzie County will hold a public hearing prior to the second reading of Bylaw No: 753/09 for an amendment to Land Use Bylaw No: 462/04. The proposed amendment is:

That the description of Bylaw 618/07 be amended to read:

All that portion of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 lying east of a line drawn parallel with and perpendicularly distant 57 meters westerly from the east boundary thereof containing 0.84 hectares (2.07 acres) more or less be cancelled and reverted to quarter section status and consolidated back into NW 13-106-15-W5M from which it was taken.

Adoption of this Bylaw will allow the boundary adjustment of Plan 992 0062, Block 1, Lot 1 and Part of NW 13-106-15-W5M, as shown below, to be completed:

The Public Hearing is to be held at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 9, 2010 in the Mackenzie County Council Chamber in Fort Vermilion. The proposed bylaw may be viewed at the Mackenzie County office in La Crete during regular office hours. Please submit written submissions to the Development Officer prior to 4:30 p.m., Friday, February 5, 2010, if you have any questions regarding the hearing, or the bylaw, please call Mackenzie County's Development Officer at 780.978.2082.



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Zama Fire Guard Expansion Project Tender (FRIAA)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The County was awarded a FRIAA grant and has tendered the project.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The project will provide long term enhanced protection for County infrastructure and residents.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

FRIAA 99%
County 1%

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

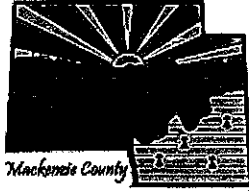
Motion 1

That the Zama Fire Guard Expansion Project tenders be opened.

Motion 2

That the Zama Fire Guard Expansion Project tender be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder.

Author: W. Kostiw Review by: _____ CAO 



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Operations - South
Title:	La Crete Truck Fill Upgrade

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

It was identified by Council that an upgrade is required for the truck fill at the La Crete water treatment plant; therefore Associated Engineering was engaged to compile the information, provide the scope of the project and prepare a tender package with a closing date of February 9, 2010 at 2:00 pm.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The benefit of the project is to provide quicker loading, shorter lineups and waiting times and more options for the larger commercial haulers.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Costs to be determined by tender.

Funding by the 2010 capital budget of \$250,000

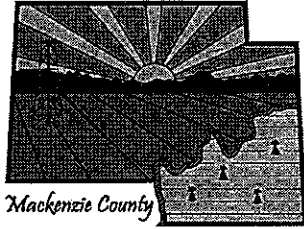
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the La Crete truck fill upgrade tender be awarded to the lowest qualifying bidder that complies with the 2010 budget.

Author: John Klassen

Review Date: _____

CAO _____



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, 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 

Director of Operations (South) Report For February 9, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

In the past few months we have been performing regular winter maintenance within all departments, as well we have tried to wrap up a few of the remaining projects carried over from 2009 like the La Crete Water Wells project which is now done, the Public Works shop that is 90% complete and we are planning a official opening for the end of February in order to allow staff to get the shop organized.

We are currently working on developing the County Standards Document as well as monitoring the construction of the La Crete administration building, we are also attempting to obtain a number of leases which seems entail more paper work and time than was initially anticipated.

The Tompkins Ice Bridge has come along really well and is currently up to 65 tones, the contractor is now into the maintenance faze and is requesting the County's approval to continue building ice for a negotiated rate.

I am also working closely with the two Southerly Fire Departments to build a strong unified team that serves the County to the best of their ability and also develop a site for a fire hall in the Tompkins/Blue Hills area.

In the coming months we will continue to perform winter road maintenance and attempt to get all our ducks in a row for the upcoming summer projects, road requests, dust control and Regraveling program.

I anticipate another busy and productive summer and look forward to the improvements that this year's projects will provide for the ratepayers of Mackenzie County.

Below is a list of current and future projects for the 2010 season:

1. La Crete 100th Ave
2. AJA Friesen Rd drainage
3. Wolf Lake Rd
4. Township Rd 103-2 Blue Hills
5. Hwy 697 drainage

6. La Crete Administration building
7. La Crete public works shop
8. Public Works yard sand/salt shelter
9. La Crete Community Library
10. La Crete airport upgrade
11. Tompkins/Blue Hills fire station lease and building
12. La Crete truck fill upgrade
13. Lagoon upgrade La Crete
14. Paving raw water truck fill station.
15. Machesis Lake playground equipment
16. Fort Vermilion rodeo grounds lease
17. Bridge campground lease
18. Atlas Landing lease
19. Wadlin Lake lease
20. LC walking trail east lease

John Klassen
Mackenzie County
Director of Operations (South)

Director of Operations (North) Capital Projects Review

Regular Council Meeting

February 09, 2010

In brief review:

Zama Cornerstone Building:

Construction is ongoing with the walls framed but not sheeted currently the roof trusses are up and 50% sheeted. The lot is now fully serviced with water, power, sewer, and gas. The interior electrical has started and will be ongoing throughout project.

Zama Public Works / Fire Hall Shop:

All walls and roof have been sided and the installations of the windows and doors have been completed. This lot has been serviced with water, sewer, and gas we are still waiting on the power from Atco. The Mechanical contractor has begun work installing the floor drains and the over head heaters.

Zama Fire Guard:

This project is moving along nicely there has been a lot of paper work with Alberta Sustainability Resources Department and surveyors. Project is out for tender and closing date for February 09th, 2010 council meeting. The completion date for the project is to be done prior to spring break up 2010.

Fort Vermilion Airport:

I have been talking with Alberta Sustainable Resources to acquire the additional land east of the existing runway and they are waiting for comment from Alberta transportation. This issue should be resolved in the next few weeks.

Some of the other projects that are currently in progress, High Level Drainage East I would like to have a meeting with the local rate payers and review the project one more time. I am tentively setting the date for the evening of February 25th 2010 at 7:00 pm in the High Level Rural Hall. We are still working on the card lock system for the Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant and seem to have the problem resolved. The pump controller board has been changed and is working fine at the current time; this is a difficult problem to isolate due to problem being sporadic. We currently have 1 grader down in Zama and the problem is too due with the fuel injectors but the warranty service man will be in Zama on February 3rd to fix.

Thank you,

David A Crichton

Director of Operations North

Mackenzie County

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 From: Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services

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Current and Completed Corporate Services Department Projects/Activities:

- Year-end work is the main focus currently and will continue to be during February-March; working on new standard financial statements for 2009 and redrafting 2008 statements for comparison (Feb-March); working on new templates for reconciliations. A year-end planning meeting was held with staff on January 7.
- TCA project – our work is currently being reviewed by the auditors. In the future, the TCA registry will require ongoing maintenance (a staff member is in place).
- Review of the 2009 capital project files and prepare project summaries – multiple staff members have been involved in these reviews; will be presenting a report at the next managers meeting regarding engineering costs and construction costs - summaries for 2009 projects.
- Preparing new grant applications is on-going (FRIAA, CAF/WED, Green Municipal Fund – we are looking into applying for a grant for the FV County office expansion – energy savings calculations must be done first).
- Grants to other organizations – prepared and sent letters with cheques to the non-profit groups that applied for the County grants (letters are attached for your information).
- Year-end grant reporting: Regional SCADA, Fort Vermilion River Road, Municipal Sponsorship Program – prepared one application, requested an extension for the Zama Fire Truck; prepared Compliance and Benefit report for the MDP & LUB project.
- Tax arrears – reviewed the potential sales of properties due to non-payment of taxes. A few requests for decisions were prepared in the last month and taken to Council for write offs/adjustments. 12% penalty was applied to tax arrears on January 6, 2010 totaling \$61,771.13.

YEAR	Total outstanding	Arrears as of December 31
2008	\$482,685	\$124,197
2009	\$553,188	\$148,266

- New field requisition forms – working code list was established; held a training session with staff from all departments; this is being done in order to keep track of volume of work performed across the County during a year.
- Fort Vermilion Water/Sewer Line Extension – prepared payment plan agreements for five ratepayers; met with each ratepayer to explain the agreements; administered internal procedures regarding these - the total outstanding amounts were transferred to the ratepayers' tax rolls.

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- Utility System Estimates – prepared multiple payment plan agreements; met with some ratepayers individually to explain the payment plan conditions.
 - Cell phone use report was prepared and reviewed by Directors.
 - County's Four-Step Community Sustainability Plan is in progress.
 - Electoral Boundary Review and Municipal Census project – reviewed the proposals and prepared a summary for Council; scheduled phone interviews for February 8.
 - 2010 assessment – we received final linear assessment from Municipal Affairs which is being downloaded into Diamond. We are expecting to receive final assessments from Alliance Assessment this or next week.
 - I met with Development Department regarding offsite levy reconciliations and processes; safety codes fees reconciliations; new subdivisions acceptance by the County – info required by Finance Department.
 - Drafted a letter to engineering firms outlining our requirements in regards to engineering services (engagement letters, engineering invoices format, engineer certificates for progress payments).
 - Janitorial – dealt with janitorial contract issues.
 - Fire Departments – individual fire department budgets were prepared and distributed, some via email; attended La Crete Fire Department meeting.

Legal Files Update

- An inquiry letter was sent to Brownlee LLP regarding linear property tax arrears collections issues.

Personnel/Human Resources

- Zama Administrative Assistant has resigned. We will continue advertising until a suitable candidate is found.
- Staff cross-training:

Backup for payroll and utilities: hands-on training is in progress; Diamond software training is being scheduled;

Backup for taxation: hands-on training is in progress; a staff member will attend Diamond software taxation/assessment session in February;

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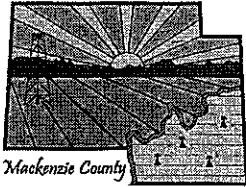
Other training: all Finance Clerks are being scheduled for refresher training with Diamond Municipal Solutions (many changes in Version 10 to which we recently have upgraded).

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

- Adding new modules (summer 2010): budgeting software (TeamBudget) and Virtual City Hall (ratepayers will have access to some Diamond information through the web).
- Grants applications preparation as new programs become available.
- Ratepayers meetings package preparation (financial & budget sections).
- Offsite levies review project - RFP is to be drafted (Joulia and Development Department).
- Review 2010 projects that to be partially funded by local improvement tax and prepare relevant bylaws.
- Review and finalize 2010 budget – review of final assessment) ; prepare the 2010 tax rate bylaw (April); review available grant funding and prepare final 2010 budget (April).

Respectfully submitted,

Joulia Whittleton



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT JANUARY 2010

In January, I continued to review department tasks, projects, processes and workloads. As you may be aware, our Planning & Development Permit Clerk has been given additional duties and the new job title of Development Leadhand. Now, in addition to Jake's Safety Code duties, he will contribute needed support to both Operations (South) and Planning and Development by exercising selected County bylaws and assisting with the monitoring of County construction projects.

The Planning and Development Department has held a couple of department meetings where we've discussed activities and objectives, as well as feedback I've received about some of our meetings.

We have started making some changes to our Development Agreements in an effort to make them less time consuming to prepare. We have also approached some engineers for assistance with our joint inspection process.

I have decided to continue work in-house on the draft Land Use Bylaw produced by ISL at the end of last year because a lot of the work at this point is just typing and formatting. There are also a few areas we need to research further before this document is finalized, such as agricultural subdivisions (MPC Motion 09-343).

We have initiated a review by a seasoned professional engineer of the North Point lift station proposal (RC Motion 10-01-019) in order to confirm cost and service area in order to prepare accurate draft cost recovery documents.

We have also initiated a review by Stewart-Weir of our "*Engineering Guidelines*", also know as our *Municipal Operations and Standards Manual*, (RC Motion 10-01-072).

We have been reviewing our Year End Statistics and collecting some additional information for this year's presentation of development and department activity which I hope to present to Council soon.

We have also worked with Corporate Services on off-site levy issues, TCA inventories, and Safety Code invoice reconciliation; and provided assistance to Operations on the Blue Hills Fire Hall Lease, Zama Fireguard extension, Fort Vermilion building renovation, GENIVAR projects review and the AVPA Review and Airport Development Committee.

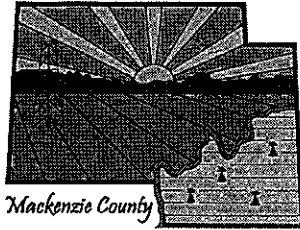
I was approached by the M.D. of Opportunity about starting an Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Board (ISDAB). They have also approached Lac La Biche County and Northern Sunrise County. They are finding that their board is too biased and thought that an ISDAB would provide more objectivity. They propose that this board would hear appeals from all the municipalities involved. They met four times in 2009 with one appeal each. Please let me know if there is interest in this.

Looking into February, I hope to see an improved Development Agreement template, a revised LUB close to ready for public review, be close to a revised *Municipal Operations and Standards Manual*, along with improved internal processes.

Thank you,

Mary Jo Van Order

Director, Planning & Development



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Bylaw 754/10 Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion Borrowing Bylaw

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Council approved \$1,600,000 in its 2010 budget towards the Corporate Office Expansion project with \$750,000 to be funded by a debenture.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Please review the draft Bylaw 754/10 Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion borrowing bylaw.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

NA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: (requires 2/3)

That first reading be given to Bylaw 754/10 being a borrowing bylaw for the Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion.

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO _____

BYLAW NO. 754/10

**BEING A BYLAW OF THE
MACKENZIE COUNTY
(hereinafter referred to as "the County")
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

This bylaw authorizes the Council of the Mackenzie County to incur indebtedness by the issuance of debenture(s) up to a maximum of \$750,000, for the purpose of financing the Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion.

WHEREAS, the Council of the County has decided to issue a by-law pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000 c. M-26, Section 258 to authorize the financing of the Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion as approved by Council in capital expenditures; and

WHEREAS, plans and specifications have been prepared and the total cost of the project is estimated to be \$1,600,000; and

WHEREAS, in order to complete the project it will be necessary for the County to borrow the sum of \$750,000 for a period not to exceed ten (10) years, from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution, by the issuance of debentures and on the terms and conditions referred to in this bylaw; and

WHEREAS, the estimated lifetime of the project financed under this by-law is equal to, or in excess of thirty (30) years; and

WHEREAS, the principal amount of the outstanding debt of the County at December 31, 2009 is \$11,713,171 and no part of the principal or interest is in arrears; and

WHEREAS, all required approvals for the project have been obtained and the project is in compliance with all *Acts* and *Regulations* of the Province of Alberta.

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

1. That for the purpose of completing the Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion the sum of **Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000)** be borrowed from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution by way of debenture on the credit and security of the County at large.
2. The proper officers of the County are hereby authorized to issue debenture(s) on behalf of the County for the amount and purpose as authorized by this by-law, namely the Mackenzie County Corporate Office Expansion.

3. The County shall repay the indebtedness according to the repayment structure in effect, namely annual or semi-annual equal payments of combined principal and interest instalments not to exceed TEN (10) years calculated at a rate not exceeding the interest rate fixed by the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution on the date of the borrowing, and not to exceed TEN (10) percent.
4. The County shall levy and raise in each year municipal taxes sufficient to pay the indebtedness.
5. The indebtedness shall be contracted on the credit and security of the County.
6. The net amount borrowed under the by-law shall be applied only to the project specified by this by-law.
7. This by-law comes into force on the date it is passed.

READ a first time this _____ day of _____, 2010.

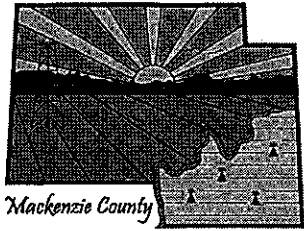
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READ a third time and finally passed this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Greg Newman
Reeve

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	AAMD&C Member Visit

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The AAMD&C is trying to coordinate member visits with Council (please see attached email).

The meeting would be approximately one hour with no formal agenda.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the AAMDC member visit with Council be scheduled for March 9, 2010 at 9:00 a.m..

Author: C. Gabriel **Review by:** _____ **CAO** _____

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Carol Gabriel

From: Susan Valentine [susan@aamdc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2010 11:02 AM
To: l.mcken@wispnet.ca; irenec@birchhillscounty.com; allan@clearhillscounty.ab.ca;
jim@mdgreenview.ab.ca; cao@mdnorth22.ab.ca; Bill Kostiw
Cc: Tom Burton
Subject: AAMDC Member Visits: Peace, Birch Hills, Clear Hills, Greenview, N Lights, Mackenzie

Good morning,

As you are aware, the AAMDC tries to visit each member on a 3-year rotation.
We would like to propose a visit with your council on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, or Wednesday, March 10, 2010.
(see itinerary below)

To make the trip cost effective, I would like to schedule all the District 4 member visits between these 2 dates.

Here is a proposed itinerary :

Tuesday, March 9

Mackenzie Ft Vermilion
N.Lights Manning
Peace Berwyn
Clear Hills Worsley

8:30 - 9 AM OK

Wednesday, March 10

Birch Hills Wanham
Greenview Valleyview

Meetings are generally a 1-hour round-table discussion with no formal agenda. If your council has specific topics they would like addressed, please let us know prior to the visit.

Attendees: Don Johnson, President.
Gerald Rhodes, Executive Director
Tom Burton, Director, District 4

I have not got specific times for each visit as of yet. I would like to first get confirmation from each municipality ASAP, book the charter and work on arrival/departure times.

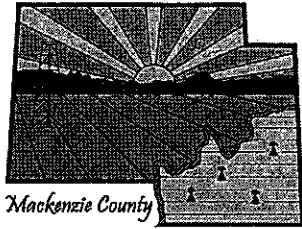
I would very much appreciate if you could advise if the above schedule is acceptable ASAP.

Thank you for your help in the organization of these meetings.

Best regards,

Susan Valentine
Executive Administration

AAMDC~Alberta Assoc of Municipal Districts and Counties
780.955.4076 (direct)



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	AAMD&C Mayors' & Reeves' Meeting

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The next AAMD&C Mayors' and Reeves' meeting is scheduled for March 15th.


The deadline for agenda items is Monday, March 1, 2010.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For discussion.

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: _____ CAO 

Carol Gabriel

agenda RFD

From: Donna Mae Grant [dmgrant@lacombecounty.com]
ent: Friday, January 29, 2010 9:22 AM
To: Beaver County; Beaver County; Birch Hills County; Brazeau County; Brazeau County; Camrose County; Camrose County; Cardston County; Cardston County; Clear Hills County; Clearhills County; Clearwater County; Clearwater County; County of Athabasca No. 12; County of Athabasca No. 12; County of Barrhead No. 11; County of Barrhead No. 11; County of Forty Mile No. 8; County of Forty Mile No. 8; County of Grande Prairie No. 1; County of Grande Prairie No. 1; County of Lethbridge; County of Lethbridge; County of Minburn No. 27; County of Minburn No. 27; County of Newell No. 4; County of Paintearth No. 18; County of Paintearth No. 18; County of St. Paul No. 19; County of St. Paul No. 19; County of Stettler No. 6; County of Stettler No. 6; County of Thorhild No. 7; County of Thorhild No. 7; County of Two Hills No. 21; County of Two Hills No. 21; County of Vermilion River; County of Vermilion River; County of Warner No. 5; County of Warner No. 5; County of Westaskiwin No. 10; County of Westaskiwin No. 10; Cypress County; Cypress County; Flagstaff County; Flagstaff County; Gerald Rhodes ; Kneehill County; Kneehill County; Lac La Biche County; Lac Ste. Anne County; Lac Ste. Anne County; Lacombe County; Lamont County; Lamont County; Leduc County; Leduc County; Greg Newman; Bill Kostiw; MD of Acadia No. 34; MD of Acadia No. 34; MD of Big Horn No. 8; MD of Big Lakes; MD of Bighorn No. 8; MD of Bonnyville No. 87; MD of Bonnyville No. 87; MD of Fairview.ab.ca; MD of Foothills No. 31; MD of Foothills No. 31; MD of Greenview No. 16; MD of Greenview No. 16; MD of Lesser Slave River No. 124; MD of Lesser Slave River No. 124; MD of Northern Lights No. 22; MD of Northern Lights No. 22; Susan Valentine; Terry Hager
Subject: Notice of March 15, 2010 Meeting

Please be advised that the spring meeting of the AAMD&C Mayors' and Reeves' Liaison Committee is scheduled for Monday, March 15, 2010 commencing at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Shaw Conference Centre, Salon 11.

Please submit any topics of discussion to Lacombe County Commissioner, Terry Hager (thager@lacombecounty.com) by Monday, March 1, 2010 in order that they may be included on the agenda.

Please contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

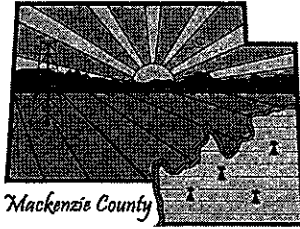
Terry Engen, Chair
Mayors'/Reeves' Liaison Committee



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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	La Crete Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The La Crete Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting is on Friday, February 19, 2010 at the La Crete Heritage Centre.


The Chamber has invited 8 guests from the County to attend.

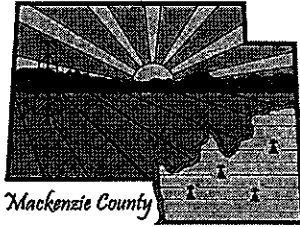
OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Councillors _____
be authorized to attend the La Crete Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting
on February 19, 2010.

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: _____ CAO 



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Sustainability Plan & Rail Road

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Last fall Council approved an \$180,000 Sustainability Study. Recently the poor rail road service is being identified as a major development hindrance as also discussed at the Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The option may be to include the rail portion in the Sustainability Study and have it complete by the deadline.

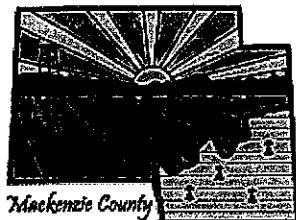
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The current study costs should be enough but we need to negotiate with Activation Analysis.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Sustainability Council Committee meet with Activation Analysis Group to include the rail road portion in the Sustainability Plan, up to a maximum of \$10,000 in additional funds.

Author: W. Kostiw Review by: _____ CAO [Signature]



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January 27, 2010

Mr. John Szumlas
President
Activation Analysis Group Inc.
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Dear John:

RE: SUSTAINABILITY STUDY

This letter is further to our initial meetings to establish the scope of the above project. I would like to have included more on infrastructure, especially rail roads, and on overall staffing.

The rail road is becoming a major stumbling block for sustaining or enhancing industrial development. This was really exacerbated at the "Growing the North" conference in Grande Prairie.

The issue with staffing is that our County infrastructure development, roads, utilities, and buildings is far surpassing the current manpower. It's like having 10,000 acres of wheat and trying to combine it with a 510 Massey. Staffing needs or restructuring should probably get honorable mention in your report and will be addressed in consultation with Council over the next few meetings.

In summary, the rail road is critical and I always enjoy writing "Dear John" letters. Please call to discuss at your earliest convenience to see if we can include these in the current sustainability study.

Yours truly,

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

pc: Greg Newman, Reeve
Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services

Carol Gabriel

From: George de Rappard [geogederappard@shaw.ca]
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2010 4:05 PM
To: Bill Kostiw
Cc: John Szumlas
Subject: Walter Pazkowski

Importance: High

Bill,

Contacted Walter's office and was advised that he is out of country till Feb.11, 2010. I left message for him to contact me on his return. I will be contacting him on Feb. 12. In the meantime we will gather info re his commission and from the Grow North seminar.

I will keep in touch with you on this matter.

Regards,

George

Carol Gabriel

From: John Szumlas [john.szumlas@aagi.ca]
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2010 11:43 AM
To: Bill Kostiw
Cc: Greg Newman; Joulia Whittleton; George deRappard
Subject: Re: Sustainability Study

Dear Bill --

Thanks for the "Dear John" letter that Carole sent me a minute ago.

I am most pleased that it was not one that usually gets associated with "Dear John"!!

Anyways, I am most pleased to confirm that we have already undertaken steps to ensure the Rail portion of the Sustainability Study is prominent and reflects the reality of transportation economics. To the end, George deRappard has taken steps to explore with Walter Paskowski those areas which would be mutually advantageous, and that needed be highlighted so that meaningful steps undertaken. Equally important is to layout a program so that appropriate resources are allocated by the County to ensure that projects put in place are effectively and efficiently serviced.

Given that the announcement today on road paving on Highway 88 (both in Mackenzie County and the MD of Opportunity -- both north and south projects) we believe this will only intensify the need to strengthen the economic transportation infrastructure system of which rail has no comparison and must be advanced.

Talk to you later

John

Bill Kostiw wrote:

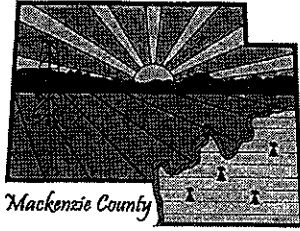
As per attached.

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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Electoral Boundary Review

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Council has requested proposals for a Municipal Boundary Review and Census. The consultants have been shortlisted and more information will be provided after the February 8th interviews.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The options are to move forward with both or modify as per Council's wishes. ie. questionnaire with census.

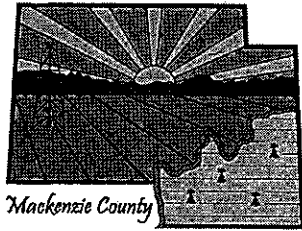
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

As per 2010 budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For Council review and decision as per February 8, 2010 meeting.

Author: W. Kostiw Review by: _____ CAO _____



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The MRCPS is hosting a fundraising dinner and auction during the National Victims of Crime Awareness Week. They are requesting assistance from the County to organize this event.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:


The benefit is public support for victims of violence and will be held during the week of April 18 – 24, 2010.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

For Council consideration.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Council proclaim April 18 – 24, 2010 as National Victims of Crime Awareness Week and that the County donate to the Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society/Victim Services Unit banquet and that the Reeve speak at the event.

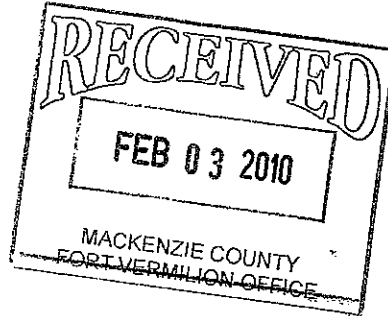
Author: W. Kostiw Review by: _____ CAO 



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February 2, 2010



Mr. William Kostiw, CAO
Mackenzie County
Box 640
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Dear Mr. Kostiw:

Re: National Victims of Crime Awareness Week - NVCAW 2010
"PEACE" - Practice Encouraging All Constituents Equally

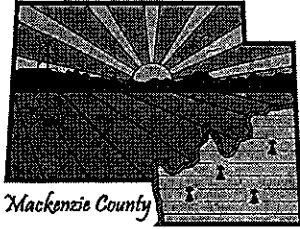
Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society/Victim Service Unit has been approved for funding to promote NVCAW, April 18 - 24, 2010. Together with the Mackenzie County we would like to have a banquet and formally proclaim NVCAW. The banquet is to raise awareness and validation for victims of crime.

Upon approval from the Mackenzie County Council, I wish to invite someone from your office to assist with the various duties which are included in having a banquet. I look forward to hearing from you and thank you in advance for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susy Randle".

Susy Randle
Executive Director
Mackenzie Regional Community Policing Society
Victim Service Unit
susyr@fvsc.ab.ca



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	2010 Ratepayer Meetings

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The County holds ratepayer meetings annually in La Crete, Fort Vermilion, High Level Rural, and Zama.

Over the past few years we have also held barbeques prior to each meeting. Does Council wish to continue this practice?

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Option 1
Host a barbeque with the ratepayer meeting to follow.

Option 2
Hold ratepayer meeting only.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

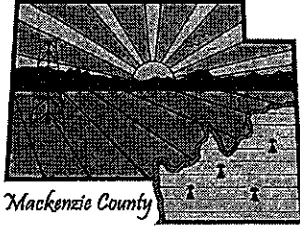
2010 Operating Budget

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the 2010 annual ratepayer meetings be held as follows:

- June 2, 2010 – La Crete
- June 3, 2010 – High Level/Rocky Lane
- June 8, 2010 – Fort Vermilion
- June 9, 2010 – Zama

Author: C. Gabriel Reviewed By: _____ CAO 



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Remuneration Review Committee

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

At the Organizational meeting in October Council made a motion that a public review committee be established to review Bylaw 688/08 Honorariums & Expense Reimbursements prior to the 2010 organizational meeting.

An advertisement was placed in the County Image seeking five public members to sit on this review committee. Recommendations of this committee are expected to be reviewed by Council in June 2010.

The deadline to submit resumes is 12 noon on February 9, 2010. Copies of the resumes/applications will be presented at the Council meeting.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

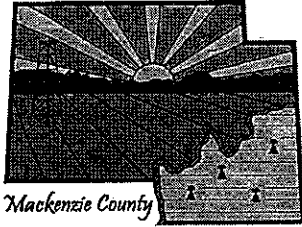
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Per diems as per Bylaw 688/08.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For Council review and appointment.

Author: C. Gabriel **Review by:** _____ **CAO** 



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Rural Water Project

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Council has resolved to proceed with rural water subject to funding and operating structure. Several consultants have presented to Council and in order to move forward we need to decide on operating structure and fee schedule to users.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The options are many as previously presented. The benefit is good quality water at the gate.

Additional consultant information will be provided at the meeting.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Funding as per 2010 budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Council instruct administration to proceed with rural water as per Council's plan.

Author: W. Kostiw Review by: _____ CAO 

Carol Gabriel

C. J. W. S. K. D. C. M. J. W.

G.R.P.D.
Feb.

From: Mark Onaba [Mark.Onaba@genivar.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2010 2:16 PM
To: Bill Kostiw
Cc: Garth McCulloch; Mark Schwab; Mike Minshall; Tarek Saman
Subject: Mackenzie Rural Water Supply Presentation
Attachments: Sample Rural Water Line Survey.pdf; System Management.pdf

Hi Bill,
on behalf of GENIVAR, I would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity, yesterday afternoon, to present to Council a synopsis of what's entailed with Rural Water Supply projects, as well as GENIVAR's capacity to deliver such projects. As you know, the subject on Rural Water Supply is quite expansive and it was a challenge for us to present all the information we had within the allocated time. However, we hope we were able to provide Council with a little more insight on this broad topic.

Please find attached a sample questionnaire and an overview of the 3 most common system management structures for Rural Water Supply, in Alberta.

Our team of experts is available to answer any questions that the County may have regarding this topic.

Thanks Bill.

Regards,



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RURAL WATER USERS SURVEY

NAME: _____ PHONE NO: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION: _____

1. Is there a residence on this property? Yes No
 If "YES" Number of Residence(s) _____
 How many people reside at this address? _____ people
 How long has this residence been lived in? _____ years

2. What is the land use of this property? (check all that apply, including recent past years)

Acreage/Homestead
 Farm Grain/Cash Crop
 Livestock Beef
 Pork
 Poultry
 Equine
 Other _____
 Business/Other Operation: _____

3. Current Water Source

	For House	For Farm/Business
None	_____	_____
Groundwater (wells)	_____	_____
Town/Village/Hamlet	_____	_____
Cistern (trucked)	_____	_____
Surface source (stream, pond, dam)	_____	_____
Water Co-op/Regional System	_____	_____

4. If you are using a well source

	For House	For Farm/Business
What is the number of wells?	_____	_____
What is the flow of each well (gal.min)?	_____	_____

5. Have you ever had a water quality test on your water supply?

	For House	For Farm/Business
Yes	_____	_____
No	_____	_____

Even without actual water quality testing, please answer the next two questions using your own judgement/experience as a guide.

6. What is your water quality?

	For House	For Farm/Business
Excellent	_____	_____
Good	_____	_____

Fair	_____	_____
Poor	_____	_____
N/A	_____	_____

7. If quality is Fair or Poor, do you know why?

	For House	For Business
Taste/Odour	_____	_____
Sodium (Salts)	_____	_____
Iron	_____	_____
Manganese	_____	_____
Other: _____		

8. Do you treat your water now? _____ Yes _____ No

9. How much does it cost to treat? \$ _____ /annual (if known)

10. What was your capital cost for the system? \$ _____

11. Is your current supply enough for your current needs?

	For House	For Farm/Business
Yes	_____	_____
No	_____	_____
N/A	_____	_____

12. What is your current estimated water consumption?

	For House	For Farm/Business
	_____ gal/month	_____ gal/month

13. What proportion of your current water consumption requires high quality treated water?

	For House	For Farm/Business
	_____ gal/month	_____ gal/month

14. Is your current water source limiting the immediate growth of your operation?
 _____ Yes _____ No _____ N/A

15. Is your current water supply enough for your future needs?
 _____ Yes _____ No

16. If high quality potable water was available from a rural distribution system, would you consider connecting to the system?

_____ Yes _____ No

17. Should the cost for tie-in to the rural distribution system be the same for all customers, regardless of their proximity to the main line?

_____ Yes _____ No

18. Typically the waterline would be installed along the County road right of way. There may be opportunities for efficiencies and construction cost saving if the if waterline is installed in easements on private property. Are you prepared to allow easement on your land parallel to the road allowance or across you land at no charge?

_____ Yes _____ No

19. Water service can be provided through a low pressure trickle system into cisterns at each household or through a higher pressure system. Which is your preference?

Low pressure system _____
High pressure system _____

20. Construction of the distribution system will take a number of years. How would your prioritize which areas are constructed first?

Water Short Areas _____
Areas of High Population Density _____
Areas near Reservoirs _____
Other: _____

21. How much would you consider paying to tie in, assuming the average monthly water usage cost was \$40.00?

a) \$1,000 up front, the rest financed	_____ Yes	_____ No
b) \$5,000 up front, the rest financed	_____ Yes	_____ No
c) \$10,000 up front, the rest financed	_____ Yes	_____ No
d) \$15,000 up front	_____ Yes	_____ No
e) Greater than \$15,000 (dependant on costs)	_____ Yes	_____ No

22. The cost of the distribution systems after government grants will be funded by the County through your taxes. How much you would you consider paying through taxes for the construction of the distribution system financed over 25 years?

a) Less than \$10,000	_____ Yes	_____ No
b) \$10,000	_____ Yes	_____ No
c) \$15,000	_____ Yes	_____ No
d) \$20,000	_____ Yes	_____ No
e) \$25,000	_____ Yes	_____ No
f) \$30,000	_____ Yes	_____ No
g) Greater than \$30,000	_____ Yes	_____ No

23. Late tie-ins (more than 1 year after installation of waterline) will be subject to the initial tie-in cost inflated by CPI increases plus a penalty. What should this penalty be?

0% _____
10% _____
25% _____
50% _____

Rural Water Users Survey
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Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire, helping us identify your water issues. If you have any questions about this questionnaire, please contact XXXXXXXX at 1-780-XXX-XXXX or 1-780--XXX-XXXX. Please forward the questionnaire in the stamped self-addressed return envelope to XXXXXXXXXXXXX, or fax to (780) XXX_XXXX or drop off at the County Office by XXX, XX, 2010.

1. SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

There are many benefits to using a regional water supply system beyond satisfying the need to provide water to an area that is experiencing the effects of increased demand on a limited local water supply and aging infrastructure. Some of these additional benefits include fostering regional economic development initiatives, and improving economic efficiency by taking advantage of economies of scale in supply as well as in infrastructure requirements/capacity. These are in addition to many further social and economic benefits accrued from a collaborative effort to improve access to scarce resources through a shared vision of sustainable regional servicing.

There are a number of different management methods available to construct and operate a regional utility system, and the operation of the utility is an important factor to consider as it may have an impact on existing municipal operations. In general though, a regional utility system is sufficiently large enough to begin to take advantage of certain economies of scale, as the per unit cost of production begins to decrease as certain factors are increased. Similarly, it is also likely that the municipalities that are serviced by the regional system will see a decline in their requirements for utility management as their water supply system is amalgamated into the regional one.

At the outset of the project to provide a regional water supply system, it is important to fully understand who will be included and how each member will participate/be included in the regional system. It is also important that each municipality that is connected to the regional utility understand what they are trying to obtain as being part of the project, and they must in turn communicate these goals to other members. In this sense, service levels within the regional utility system should be clearly targeted from the outset of the project, as there is the potential for change in service from the existing situation, and there may be differences in service levels between different areas within the regional systems boundaries. In addition, the utility rate schedule and whether it will be determined at a regional level or by individual communities should be considered along with the possibility that members may perceive the new system as a loss of control when designing a balanced regional system for implementation.

Regional water utilities are generally considered to be a long term commitment by member municipalities due to high initial capital costs in combination with the regulatory environment that surrounds the operation of water utilities. Historically in Alberta experience with regional water utilities suggests that once the commitment has been made and the infrastructure constructed the option for municipalities to turn back is limited at best. However, past experience in the province also suggests that the benefits from having a secure high quality source of potable water outweighs the uncertainty that is associated with entering a regional system.

Finally, it is important to consider whether or not the new regional utility system will accept new members in the future. The high capital costs, and large time commitment required to construct a regional system not only makes the decision of whether or not to join difficult, but it also makes the decision to accept new members in the future equally difficult, and it can lead to lengthy negotiations about prior and new capital investments and rate structures.

Within Alberta, there are three main types of management systems for regional utilities including: municipality owned and operated, regional commissions, and corporations. Within each of these management structures, there are also a number of variations in the structure and manner of operation of the regional system.

1.1 Municipally Owned

A municipally owned system is an extension the current operating system within the member municipalities. Normally, the system constructed within each jurisdiction will be owned and operated by the individual municipality and the operation and maintenance of the utility will be assigned to a department within the municipal management structure. Service is provided to other municipalities or consumers through an agreement or series of agreements which will normally spell out the operating conditions for supply, liability, the basis for the development of rate models etc.

The agreements for supply are generally negotiated on a cost recovery basis, and there is the opportunity for customers to have their rates reviewed by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board in order to determine the appropriateness of the charges.

The liability of the municipality is identified in the agreements made for the supply of water as well as in the individual costs incurred to construct the infrastructure that is necessary to produce and deliver the water. In a municipally owned system, each municipality will have to finance their share of the construction costs and seek any available funding or incur the necessary debt load independently.

Operational costs are normally identified and passed on through the agreement to each service throughout the regional system. This may lead to differential rates for various consumers within the region due to different relative costs of providing service.

In a municipally owned system there does exist opportunities for cooperative efforts related to the operation of the system or of parts of the system. For example, there may be operational efficiencies for the managing municipality to negotiate the operation of the serviced municipality or consumer's water distribution system. Over time, as the regulatory requirements for system operation and reporting become more demanding, this may become the most economical method of operation for small municipal systems.

1.2 Regional Commissions

The major difference between a municipally owned and operated system and a Regional Commission is that the commission is its own legal entity, and its powers, authorities and responsibilities are completely separate from the member municipalities. In addition, the liabilities that are incurred by the commission are the responsibility of the commission, and they do not attribute to the member municipalities.

As regional commissions are mandated as not for profit organizations, they must establish their rates to recover operating costs as well as any debt requirements. They do however have the ability to establish operational reserves for identified future capital requirements. The commission can also hold assets and incur liability and debt within their operation, and they have the ability to borrow from the Alberta Municipal Finance Corporation, or any other accredited financial institution. Regional commissions are considered eligible for grant funding under programs such as the AMWWP as well. Participating municipalities may transfer assets to the regional commission if they so choose and the commission will take over the management of those assets within the umbrella of regional service delivery. The assets that are transferred are one of the determinants in the development of the service area of commission.

Normally, the commission is run by a board of directors made up of elected members from the member municipalities who represent their own municipality. Voting rights are established

through bylaw and are generally one vote per member, but they may also be structured as a weighted system based on population or another equitable agreement.

Similarly to a municipally owned system, the operation of the utility can be by the commission through direct employees, or through a contractual arrangement with one or more of the member municipalities or a third party provider who have trained staff that are capable of accommodating the needs of the commission.

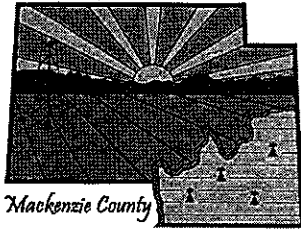
1.3 Corporation

The corporation structure is distinguished from the previous two management methods, as normally a privately or investor owned utility exists for the purpose of making a profit. In order for municipalities to establish a corporation, they must do so in accordance with regulations established by the Minister of Municipal Affairs under the Municipal Government Act.

Generally the corporation will provide the necessary investment required to construct the essential infrastructure for the regional utility. The corporation will also own the assets created as well as operate and maintain them. The rate structure is usually established by the corporation, and is designed to reflect the investments and operational costs, as well as some level of allowable return on the investment. Agreements regarding rates structures etcetera will be established with the service areas within the municipalities, and they may or may not be exclusive in nature.

Currently, private sector corporations are not eligible for the majority of grant opportunities from senior levels of government under the current funding arrangements. However, there have been situations in the past where municipalities have successfully acquired grants for the eligible components of the water supply development, and then have provided those funds to the corporation through some agreement in order to reduce capital costs (and subsequent water rate charges) for specific projects. However, these circumstances would need to be discussed on a case-by-case basis with the funding authority.

Under the corporate structure, the operation of the regional utility can be similar to that of the other two management types. Even though the corporation usually manages their own systems, it is possible for them to negotiate and contract with a municipal authority to provide that operational function.



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	La Crete Water Treatment Plant

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The La Crete Water Treatment Plant is a DCL Siemens project and was substantially complete in 2006. The deficiencies outstanding valued at \$360,000 are in dispute by the contractor (Jen-Col).

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

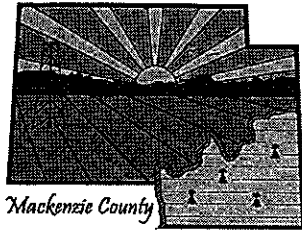
The options vary but the best solution is to negotiate a settlement. If this does not work then it's a legal battle.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Council review the La Crete Water Treatment Plant project and if legal action is contemplated it should be in-camera.

Author: W. Kostiw Review by: _____ CAO 



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Tompkins Crossing

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

1. Tompkins Ice-Bridge – contract ends in April 2010.
2. Tompkins Ferry Issue (concerns are still outstanding)

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

1. Options are to negotiate a new ice-bridge deal with Alberta Transportation or decline operations.
2. Options for the ferry are status quo or investigate other options. (ie. Hovercraft, new ferry, or remodeling the current ferry)

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

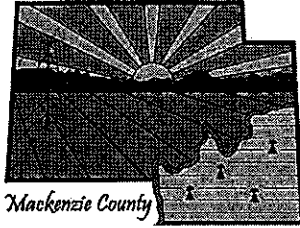
The costs are variable and should be paid by Alberta Transportation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Action as per Council's long range plan for the ice-bridge.

That Council instruction the Tompkins Crossing Committee to inspect current Hovercraft operations.

Author: W. Kostiw Review by: _____ CAO 



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Highway 88 Base/Paving Project

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

This is a provincial project but is vital to the County's economic survival. Council and administration have worked hard to move this project forward which has finally paid off.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

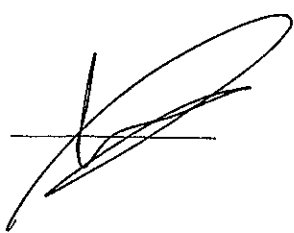
Options are many and the benefits are tremendous.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The County costs are minimal considering the overall benefit.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Council write a letter of appreciation to the Premier, Hon. Frank Oberle, and Hon. Luke Ouellette as well as continue to lobby for the completion of all Highway 88 pavement.

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Background

January 28, 2010

Infrastructure stimulus fund investments in Alberta

Through Canada's Economic Action Plan, the federal government has established a \$4 billion Infrastructure Stimulus Fund (ISF) that provides funding to provincial, territorial and municipal construction-ready infrastructure projects.

The total cost of the highway improvements is estimated at \$144 million for 33 infrastructure projects across the province. The investment is a contribution of \$72 million from the Government of Canada through the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund, and \$72 million from the province of Alberta.

Including this funding being announced today, the Government of Canada's commitment for projects to be funded through the ISF in Alberta totals almost \$419 million. The latest projects to be funded under the ISF will see major improvements to highways throughout the province, including:

West of Tofield

- Constructing 5.7 km of passing lanes (4 locations) on Highway 14:06, west of Tofield

Loon River - North of 23rd Baseline

- Upgrading a 20.6 km section of currently graveled provincial Highway 88:08 to first stage pavement.

Bear River - South of Fort Vermilion

- 16.9 km of final asphalt pavement on Highway 88 - Bear River to S of Fort Vermilion ✓

West of Milo to Milo

- Grade widening and pavement overlay of 9.1 km of Highway 542:02

Bridge (File 75305) on Highway 36 over Amisk River near Kikino.

- Rehabilitation to the concrete deck overlay and partial curb and pier repairs

Bridge (File 71316) on Highway 892 over Beaver River near Ardmore.

- Rehabilitation to the concrete deck overlay and partial curb and pier repairs

South of Highway 53 to Highway 53

- Constructing 6.5 km of climbing/passing lanes (3 locations) on Highway 22:24.

North of Highway 16 to South of Berland River

- Construction of 11.2 km of climbing lanes (four locations) on Highway 40:30.

Highway 62

- Pavement rehabilitation will restore pavement serviceability by improving ride quality and providing new water-proof surface (North of US Border - South of Jensen Reservoir)

Highway 88

- 16 - South of Tall Cree Indian Reserve to South of Jackpine Creek
- 16 - South of Jackpine Creek to Bear River

Highway 575

- 18.8 km of pavement overlay on Highway 575 - East of Highway 836 to Town of Drumheller

Highway 581

- Highway improvements east of Highway 2 - Highway 791

Highway 616

- Highway improvements from County Boundary to Highway 21.

Highway 661

- 10 km of pavement overlay on Highway 661 - West of Highway 63 to Highway 831

Highway 682

- Asphalt deck replacement on Hines Creek Bridge on Highway 682, 18 km west of Fairview

Highway 831

- 7.9 km of pavement overlay on Highway 831 - South of Waskatenau to Waskatenau

Highway 836

- Highway improvements from Highway 575 to Highway 27

Highway 837

- Highway improvements from Highway 575 to Highway 838

Highway 855

- 16.4 km of pavement overlay on Highway 855 - Highway 28 to North of Town of Smoky Lake

Highway 879

- Maintenance (includes Bearing Repairs, Deck Joints) on South Saskatchewan River Bridge On Highway 879, 8 km northwest Of Bow Island

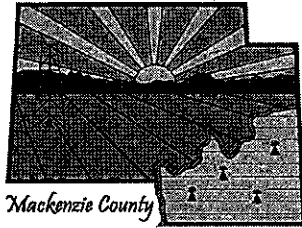
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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	AJA Friesen Road & Water Management Project

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

This project has been in the works for over five years and I think we have finally got it nailed down except for some engineering problems.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Option 1 – is to proceed to tender with full engineering support.

Option 2 – is to accept the preliminary design and request proposals for construction.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Option 1 – Cost is estimated over 1 million.

Option 2 – Cost is estimated at \$600,000 - \$800,000 depending on final landowner negotiations and culvert size.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Council accept the preliminary design for the AJA Friesen Road & Water Management project and proceed by request for proposals in two contracts with engineering limited to initial staking.

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Carol Gabriel

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Terry

From: Mark Onaba [Mark.Onaba@genivar.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2010 1:16 PM
To: Bill Kostiw
Cc: John Klassen; Mark Schwab; Garth McCulloch; Samuel Tekle; Kevin Henshaw; Parul Patel; Peter Gayed; Bryan Holden
Subject: 3009052 - AJA Friesen Drainage Meeting

Hi Bill,

As previously discussed over the phone, Terry Sawchuck has given us the go ahead to proceed with the detailed design phase of this project. In our conversation, you mentioned that it would be beneficial for GENIVAR to meet with the County to discuss the project and ensure that we are all on the "same page", with regard to timelines and expectations.

Therefore, in an effort to facilitate the project, GENIVAR has identified a few key issues that require further discussion, prior to moving forward. What follows is an overview of these issues;

1. Additional Survey Required

The survey data collected by GENIVAR, at the beginning of the project, was concentrated on the south side of the road, as we had anticipated constructing the ditch on that side of the road. However, since the alignment has been changed to the north end, GENIVAR will need to collect additional survey data in order to;

- ? Design a fitting vertical and horizontal alignment of the proposed ditch,
- ? Generate accurate quantity estimates for construction,
- ? Determine how much land is required to construct the ditch,
- ? Establish an end point for the ditch when the alignment turns to proceed in the North-eastern direction - Some clearing may be necessary.

GENIVAR estimates about a week and a half of survey time is required to collect all the necessary data.

2. Permitting

GENIVAR has been in contact with Alberta Environment (AE), and they are in agreement with our conceptual design. Terry Sawchuck noted that in his opinion "this is probably the best way to rectify the drainage issues being experienced in the that area". So we don't anticipate any delays from them, with regards to permitting. Additionally, we are required to get a letter of advice from DFO prior to proceeding with construction. GENIVAR will endeavor to forward all required documentation to DFO, at our earliest convenience, to facilitate the process and avoid any delays.

3. Dugouts

There are a few dugouts on the north side of the road that would probably need to be filled in, in order to construct the proposed ditch. As such, consultations with affected landowners will be necessary, as well as permits from Alberta Environment.

4. Field Accesses

As discussed previously, approach crossings on this project will be a major cost to the County. In this regard, consultations with affected landowners may be necessary to determine if there are parcels that can share an approach or if there are any unutilized approaches that can be either eliminated or relocated, resulting in an overall cost savings to the County.

5. Utility Crossings

GENIVAR has identified one gas line crossing on the east side of line 5 (second major ditch to the east). GENIVAR will endeavor to send out utility letters to all utility companies in the area, informing them of the proposed project.

6. Excess Common Excavation Material

It is anticipated that there will be a significant amount of excess common material from the construction of this ditch. As such, the County will have to determine what it would like to do with this excess material. GENIVAR has prepared a few options for your consideration including;

- a. Using the excess material to create berms along the ditch
- b. Spreading the material on farmer's fields
- c. stockpiling the material for future use
- d. Using the material as borrow material for the re-construction of the Wolfe Lake Road, located two miles north of the AJA Friesen Road and possibly constructing both projects simultaneously.

7. Contract Administration

Bill, you mentioned that the County would like a "full blown" tender on this project. So in anticipation of this, we would like to discuss what the County's expectations are with regards to GENIVAR's involvement during the construction phase of the project. Once we have a clear understanding of the scope of work, GENIVAR will be able to provide the County with an engineering estimate for the project.

It is our understanding that the County would like to have this project completed by the end of the fall this year. Incidentally, we anticipate being able to tender this project in late April, early May, with a closing date in the middle of May, if the County gives GENIVAR authorization to proceed with the project prior to the beginning of February, 2010.

As always, I can be reached at 780.821.0614 or at the Grimshaw office at 780.332.1000, if you have any questions or comments.

Regards,



Mark Onaba, E.I.T | Area Manager - La Crete
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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Operations - South
Title:	West La Crete Road/Hwy 697

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Due to the Hwy 697 overlay project being awarded we are receiving phone calls from County ratepayers requesting the County in conjunction with Alberta Transportation look into upgrading the west La Crete Rd approach. The current approach is at such an angle that creates problems for truck traffic to start off after coming to a complete stop before entering Hwy 697.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

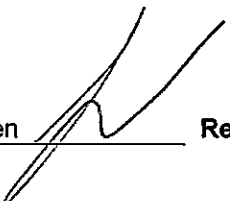
The benefit will be a safer intersection for all motorist using the hiway.

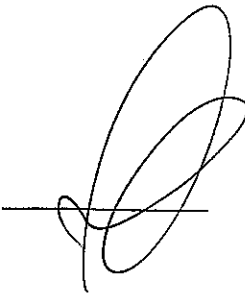
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

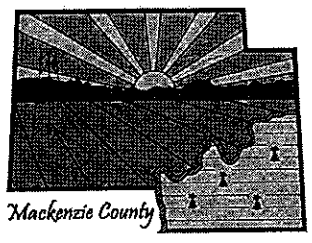
To be determined.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For discussion.

Author: John Klassen 

Review Date: _____ **CAO** 



MACKENZIE COUNTY

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development
Title:	Bylaw 711/09 Road Closure Part of Range Road 18-2, West of SW 26-104-18-W5M and East of SE 27-104-18-W5M (Tompkins Landing Area)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 711/09, for the closure of a portion of undeveloped government road allowance 18-2, lying west of SW 26-104-18-W5M and being fragmented by Blues Creek and an un-named creek, received first reading on May 12th, 2009. Public Hearing was conducted on June 9th, 2009 at which time second reading was given and third reading was tabled until approval received from the Minister of Transportation.

In accordance with the Municipal Government Act (MGA), the road closure must be approved by the Minister of Transportation prior to second and third reading. The second reading completed on June 9th, 2009 needs to be repealed and then redone.

Approval by the Minister of Transportation has been received.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

This application is brought forward as a result of a subdivision proposal that was presented to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) on February 25, 2009 where the following motion was made:

That the Municipal Planning Commission recommendation to Council be for the closure of part of Range Road 18-2, subject to public hearing, in order to allow the closed road to be consolidated with Part of SW 26-104-18-W5M and Part of

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Director of Planning
and Development

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SE 27-104-18-W5M and with the understanding that the Municipal Planning Commission will make a decision on the subdivision after review of all the pertinent information.

SW 26-104-18-W5M and SE 27-104-18-W5M as well as the road allowance between the parcels (Range Road 18-2) are fragmented by Blues Creek and an un-named creek. This fragmentation results in the following access challenges:

- The creek banks are approximately 25 feet deep and quite steep, barely traversable by an ATV,
- George Zacharias, owner of SW 26-104-18-W5M, cannot access the northwest portion of his land unless he travels by road 5 miles and then crosses his neighbour, Frank Dyck's land, and
- Frank Dyck, owner of SE 27-104-18-W5M cannot access the southeast portion of his land unless he travels by road 5 miles.

The attached Aerial 1 shows the land fragmentation, ownership and creeks.

The landowners are considering trading their fragmented parcels in order to simplify their access challenges however separate titles do not exist at this time. Mr. Dyck is looking to subdivide the southeast portion of his quarter to trade with the northwest portion of Mr. Zacharias' land. Several items would need to be addressed in the subdivision of the northwest portion of Mr. Zacharias' land and they are as follows:

- No access exists to the fragmented parcel,
- Accessing the parcel from Range Road 18-2 would require a bridge across the un-named creek,
- A legal and physical access off of a road must be provided for all subdivisions in accordance with the Subdivision and Development Regulations, and
- The maximum two subdivisions out of the quarter already exist.

The subdivision of Mr. Zacharias' fragmented parcel could be accomplished by completing the following:

1. Closure of a portion of the undeveloped road allowance,
2. Consolidation of the fragmented portion of SW 26-104-18-W5M, the closed portion of road allowance and the northly portion of SE 27-104-18-W5M, and
3. Construction of a road from Range Road 18-3 to the west edge of the fragmented parcel to provide legal and physical access

In doing this, the fragmented portion of SW 26-104-18-W5M would not serve to create a third parcel out of the lands. It would become part of another quarter section. The attached Aerial 2 shows the intended outcome of the subdivisions, road closure and consolidation.

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Due to the close proximity of the Peace River, the depth of the creek banks and the likelihood of road or bridge construction through or over them, consideration could be given to closing a portion of the undeveloped road allowance.

The fragmented portion of Mr. Dyck's land could be easily subdivided.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION 1:

That **MOTION 09-06-510** made on June 9th, 2009, for the second reading of Bylaw 711/09, being a Road Closure Bylaw to close and sell a portion of government road allowance 18-2 adjacent to the west boundary of SW 26-104-18-W5M, commencing parallel with the north property line of SW 26-104-18-W5M, lying south of Blues Creek and continuing south to the north bank of an un-named creek, be repealed.

MOTION 2:

That second reading be given to Bylaw 711/09 being a Road Closure Bylaw to close a portion of government road allowance 18-2 adjacent to the west boundary of SW 26-104-18-W5M, commencing parallel with the north property line of SW 26-104-18-W5M, lying south of Blues Creek and continuing south to the north bank of an un-named creek.

MOTION 3:

That third reading be given to Bylaw 711/09 being a Road Closure Bylaw to close a portion of government road allowance 18-2 adjacent to the west boundary of SW 26-104-18-W5M, commencing parallel with the north property line of SW 26-104-18-W5M, lying south of Blues Creek and continuing south to the north bank of an un-named creek.

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BYLAW NO. 711/09

BEING A BYLAW OF
MACKENZIE COUNTY
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLOSING A PORTION OF A
PUBLIC ROAD ALLOWANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
SECTIONS 22, 24 AND 606 OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT,
CHAPTER M-26, REVISED STATUTES OF ALBERTA 2000

WHEREAS, Council of Mackenzie County has determined that the road allowance as outlined on Schedule "A" attached hereto, be subject to a road closure, and

WHEREAS, notice of intention of the Council to pass a bylaw will be published in a locally circulated newspaper in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, and

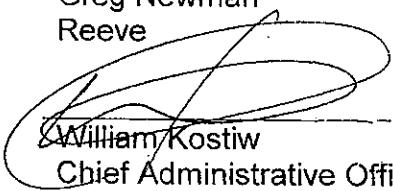
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of Mackenzie County does hereby close and sell the road allowance described as follows, subject to the rights of access granted by other legislation or regulations:

1. Meridian 5 Range 18 Township 104
All that portion of Government Road Allowance
Lying within the limits of Plan 092 _____
containing _____ hectares (_____ acres) more or less.
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals.

READ a first time this 12th day of May, 2009.



Greg Newman
Reeve



William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

APPROVED this 14 day of January, 2010.



Minister of Transportation

Approval valid for _____ months.

READ a second time this _____ day of _____, 2010.

READ a third time and finally passed this _____ day of _____, 2010.

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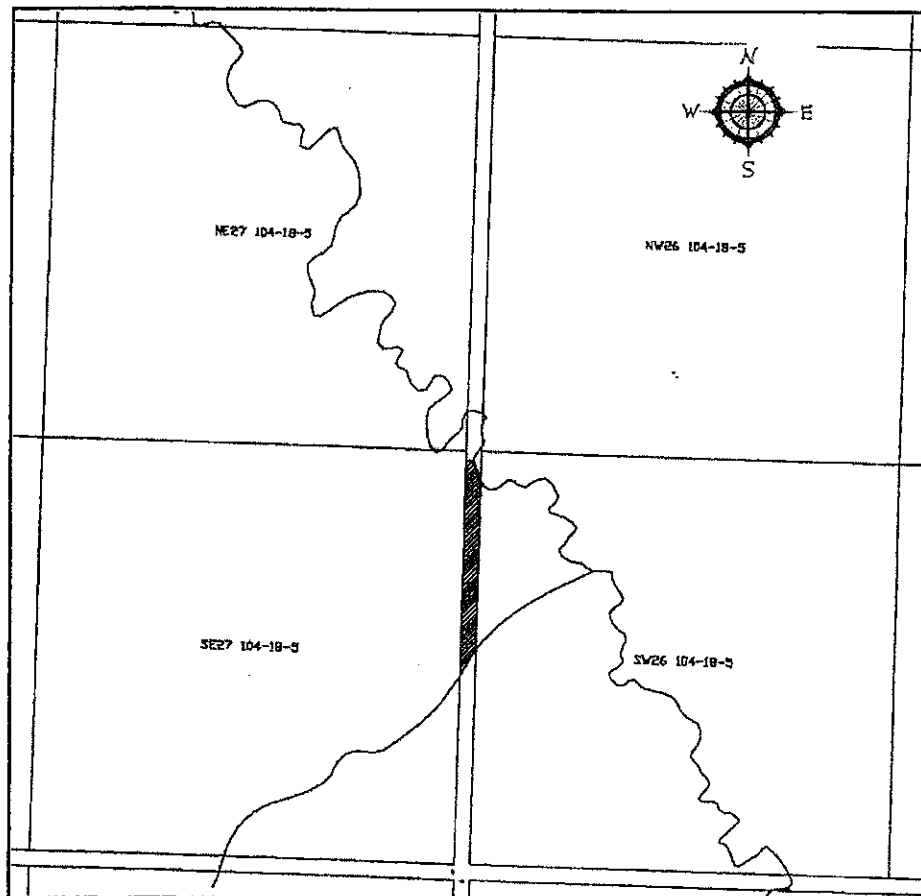
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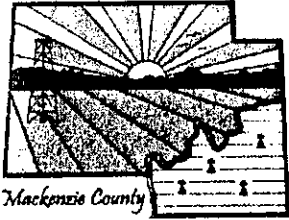
BYLAW NO. 711/09

SCHEDULE "A"

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

Meridian 5 Range 18 Township 104
All that portion of Government Road Allowance
Lying within the limits of Plan 092 _____
containing _____ hectares (_____ acres) more or less.
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals.





LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. _____

NAME OF APPLICANT George D. Zacharias		
ADDRESS Box		
TOWN La Crete AB		
POSTAL CODE T0H 2H0	PHONE (RES.) 780-928-	BUS.

COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT

NAME OF REGISTER OWNER		
ADDRESS		
TOWN		
POSTAL CODE	PHONE (RES.)	BUS.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Lying to the west

QTR./LS. SW	SEC. 26	TWP. 104	RANGE 18	M. 5	OR	PLAN	BLK	LOT
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LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED:

FROM: **Road Closure** TO: _____

REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Requesting that a portion of Road Allowance 18.1 be closed for the purpose of consolidation with adjacent land. The road allowance and adjacent lands are fragmented by Blues Creek and an unnamed creek which cause access to the lands to be difficult. If the road closure is approved then I intend to consolidate the closed road allowance with my fragmented land as well as my neighbours' fragmented lands to create one parcel of land which will be accessed via a road from the west. My neighbour will trade me land for land.

I/WE HAVE ENCLOSED THE REQUIRED APPLICATION FEE OF \$ 150.00 RECEIPT NO. 102345

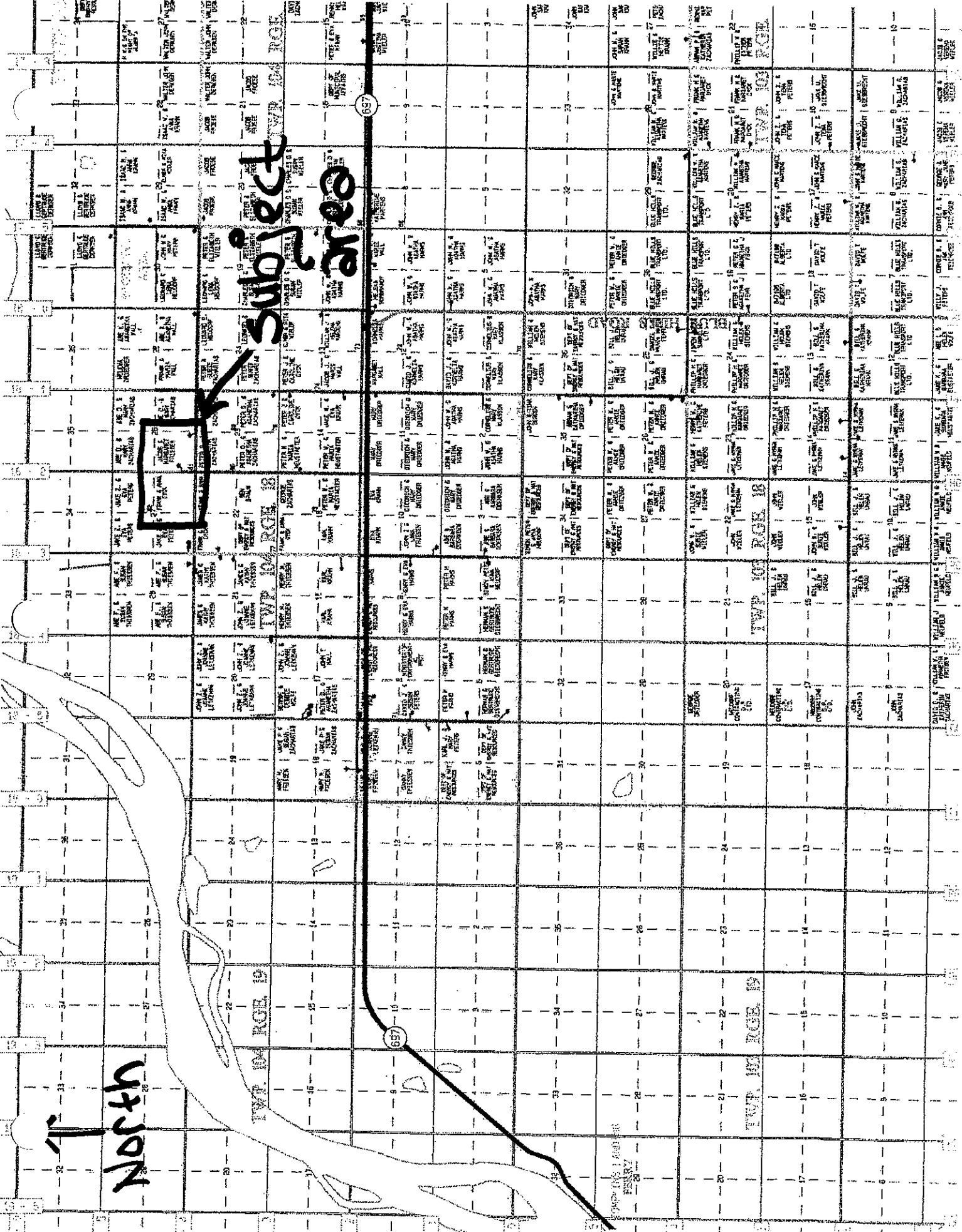
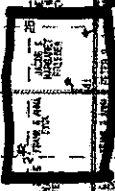
APPLICANT *George D. Zacharias* DATE April 7, 2009

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

REGISTERED OWNER _____ DATE _____

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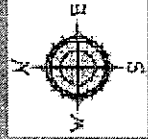
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Aerial 1

Proposed Road Crossing
Frank Dyck's Lands
Cochran's Lands

Un-named Creek



Aerial 2

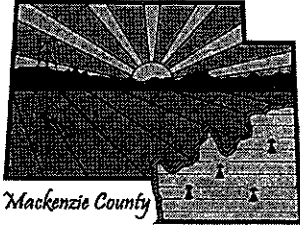
Proposed Truck Lands

Black Creek

Proposed George Zacharias Lands

Un-named Creek





MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order , Director of Planning and Development
Title:	Bylaw 734/09- Road Closure NE 10-109-13-W5M (Fort Vermilion Rural)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 734/09, being a road closure bylaw to close and sell a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M was given first reading at the September 23, 2009 Council meeting. Public Hearing was conducted on October 13, 2009 at which time second and third reading was given approval.

In accordance with the Municipal Government Act (MGA), a road closure must be approved by the Minister of Transportation prior to second and third reading. The second and third reading completed on October 13, 2009 needs to be repealed and then redone.

Approval by the Minister of Transportation has been received.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The applicant recently purchased a fragmented piece of land north of the Boyer River from Alberta Sustainable Resources. This piece of land, NE 10-109-13-W5M and SE 15-109-13-W5M are divided by a short undeveloped road allowance. This road allowance does not access any piece of land as it dead ends at the Boyer River and does not proceed across the river due to the fact that there are no quarter sections on the south side only river lots. The applicant is requesting that the county close this short portion of road allowance so that he may consolidate the two parcels of land together into one title.

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Development Officer

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Order, Director of Planning
and Development

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The applicant is aware that should the county agree to close the road, the county will sell the land to him at fair market value and he will be responsible for all the consolidation costs.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION 1:

That **MOTION 09-10-834** made on October 13, 2009, for the second reading of Bylaw 734/09, being a road closure bylaw to close and sell (according to County policy and Ministerial approval) a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M, be repealed.

MOTION 2:

That **MOTION 09-10-835** made on October 13, 2009, for the third reading of Bylaw 734/09, being a road closure bylaw to close and sell (according to County policy and Ministerial approval) a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M, be repealed.

MOTION 3:

That second reading be given to Bylaw 734/09 being a road closure bylaw to close and sell according to County policy, a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M.

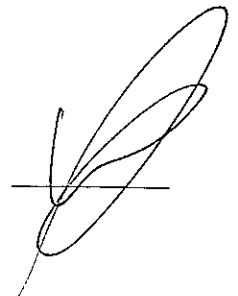
MOTION 4:

That third reading be given to Bylaw 734/09 being a road closure bylaw to close and sell according to County policy, a portion of government road allowance adjacent to the north boundary of NE 10-109-13-W5M.

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Development Officer

**Reviewed by: Mary Jo Van
Order, Director of Planning
and Development**

CAO



BYLAW NO. 734/09
BEING A BYLAW OF
MACKENZIE COUNTY
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLOSING A PORTION OF A PUBLIC ROAD ALLOWANCE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 22, 24 AND 606 OF THE
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, CHAPTER M-26,
REVISED STATUTES OF ALBERTA 2000.**

WHEREAS, Council of Mackenzie County has determined that the road allowance as outlined on Schedule A attached hereto, be subject to a road closure, and

WHEREAS, notice of intention of the Council to pass a bylaw has been published in a locally circulated newspaper in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of Mackenzie County does hereby close and sell the road allowance described as follows, subject to the rights of access granted by other legislation or regulations:

1. Meridian 5 Range 13 Township 109
All that portion of Government Road Allowance
Lying within the limits of Plan 092 _____
containing _____ hectares (_____ acres) more or less.
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals.

READ a first time this 23rd day of September, 2010.



Greg Newman
Reeve



William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

APPROVED this 14 day of January, 2010.



Minister of Transportation

Approval valid for _____ months.

READ a second time this ___ day of _____, 2010.

READ a third time and finally passed this ___ day of _____, 2010.

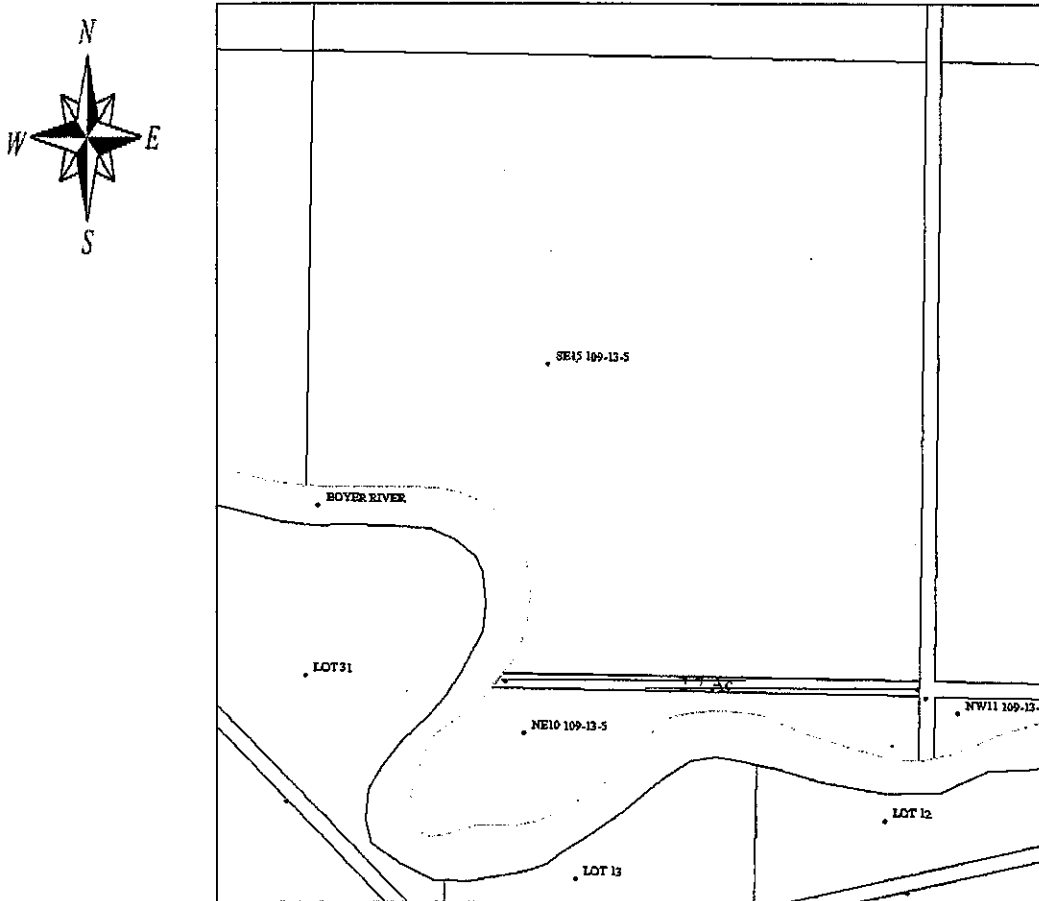
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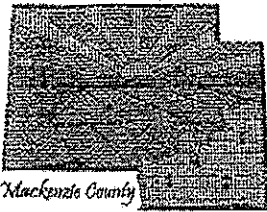
William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

BYLAW NO. 734/09

SCHEDULE "A"

1. That the land use designation of the following property known as:
2. Meridian 5 Range 13 Township 109
All that portion of Government Road Allowance
Lying within the limits of Plan 092 _____
containing _____ hectares (_____ acres) more or less.
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals.





LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. Bylaw 734/09

NAME OF APPLICANT Virgil and Lorna Goossen		
ADDRESS Box		
TOWN Fort Vermilion, AB		
POSTAL CODE T0H 1N0	PHONE (RES.) 780-	BUS. 780-926-6932

COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT		
NAME OF REGISTER OWNER Mackenzie County Road Allowance		
ADDRESS		
TOWN		
POSTAL CODE	PHONE (RES.)	BUS.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

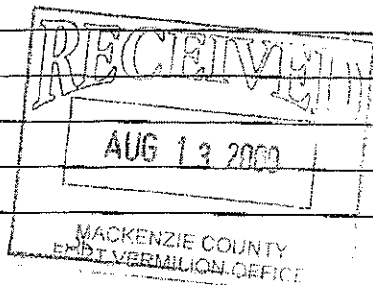
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LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED:

FROM: Road Closure TO: _____

REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

We have purchased Part of NE 10-109-13-W5M from Public Lands and would like to add to that the undeveloped government road allowance which lies to the north of my lands. We feel that a road will never be built on this road allowance due to the close proximity of the Boyer River and ask that Council consider our request.



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

RECEIPT NO. 109109

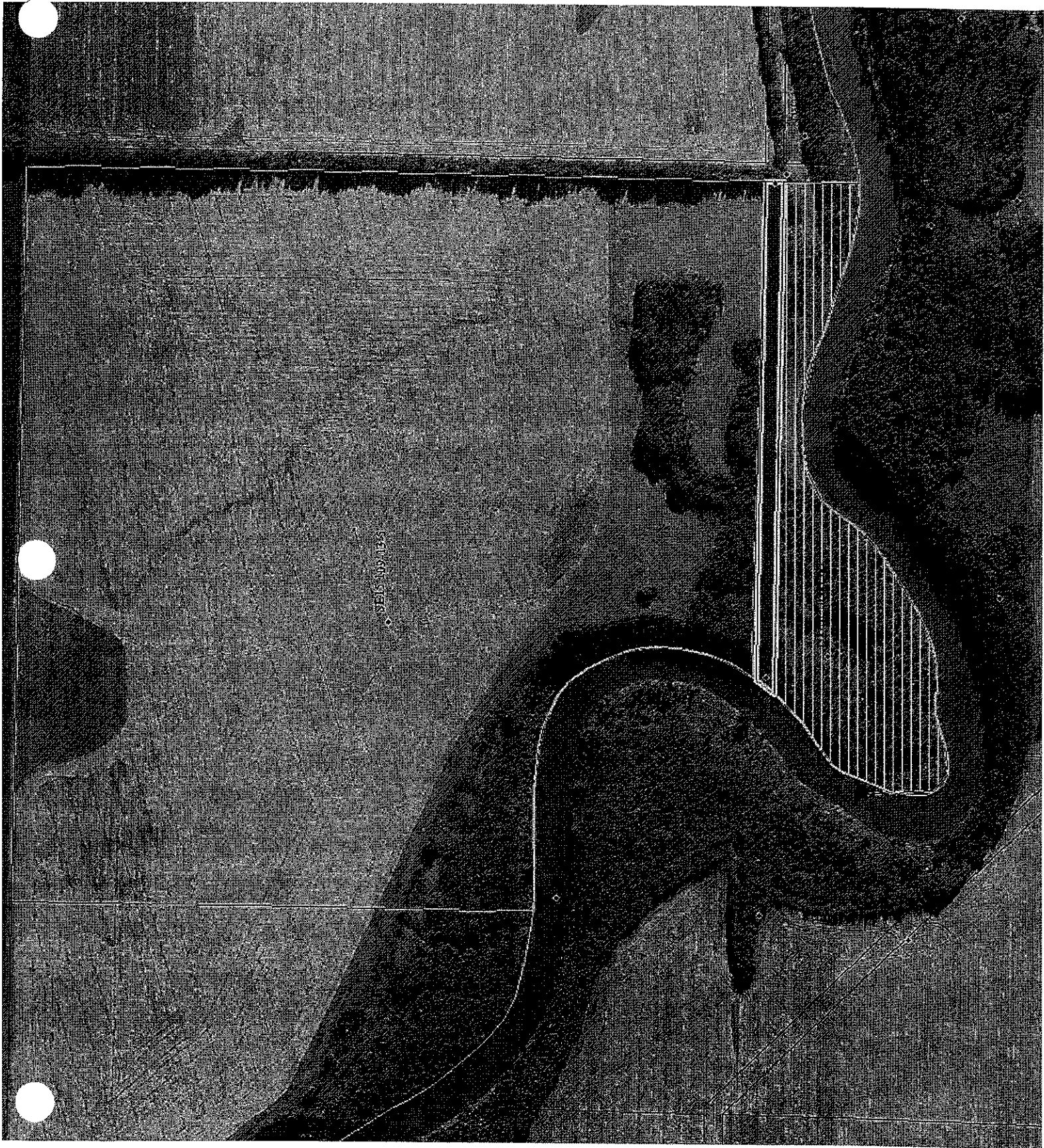
Virgil Goossen
APPLICANT

12 Aug 09
DATE

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

[Signature]
REGISTERED OWNER

13 AUG 09
DATE



DEER HILLS

BOYER SETTLE

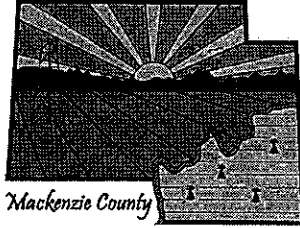
TWP. 110 RGE. 13

TWP. 109 RGE. 12

Subject Property

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MACKENZIE COUNTY

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning and Development
Title:	Bylaw 749/09- Road Closure-Jacob Thiessen SE 13-107-15-W5M (Fort Vermilion Rural)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Mackenzie County has received an application requesting to close a portion of undeveloped road plan lying on the east side of SE 13-107-15-W5M. The request is to allow for a homestead separation being the first parcel out of the quarter section.

In 1940 a road plan was designed through several crown owned quarter sections of land in order to bypass a slough. The road was registered at Land Titles as Plan 2106EU but it was never built. Later a road was built on the government road allowances to the east of this quarter. Road Plan 2106EU was abandoned.

The applicant bought the quarter section of land in 1968 and was not fully aware of Road Plan 2106EU. He was of the understanding that the road plan was the undeveloped road allowance on the east side of his quarter section. It was not until three years ago that he found out the exact location of Road Plan 2106EU when surveyors came out and removed the pins. At that time he did not think anything of it as it had never affected his land or the use.

Now the applicant is in the process of subdividing out the homestead however this cannot be completed until Road Plan 2106EU is closed or part thereof, as the road plan cuts directly across the proposed homestead separation and his access into the yard site. Subdivision 30-SUB-09 was approved January 26, 2010 with condition that the road be closed.

Author: Liane Lambert,
Development Officer

Reviewed by:
Mary Jo Van Order, Director of
Planning and Development

CAO

On December 9th, 2009, the Municipal Planning Commission recommended Bylaw 749/09 be presented to Council for the approval of closing the portion of Road Plan 2106EU on the east side of SE 13-107-15-W5M in order to allow for the homestead separation.

Bylaw 749/09 was prepared to go to the January 12th Council meeting for first reading. However, during the preliminary reviews administration was instructed to investigate closing the entire road which crosses three quarter sections (two of which are owned by the applicant).

The applicant was asked that if the County closed the entire unused Road Plan 2106EU that crosses both his quarters would he consider purchasing and doing a consolidation as per County Policy PW028. His reply was that he would like the entire road closed but he does not want to pay for the land. If he has to pay for the land then he only wants the piece of road closed that crosses the proposed subdivision.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

As per M.D of Mackenzie Policy PW028 a closed undeveloped road allowance is to be sold at "market value as established by the M.D". The County's Land Assessor, advised administration that in general, farm land is now selling at a high price:

Current Market Value approximately \$1000.00 per acre.
Current Farm Assessed Value, \$97.93 per acre.

The entire portion of road plan across both of the applicant's quarters is approximately 7.76 ac and over SE 13-107-15-W5M only is 4.35 ac. The portion of road running through the proposed subdivision plan is approximately 0.95 ac.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION 1

That first reading be given to Bylaw 749/09 being a road closure bylaw to close and sell in accordance with County policy that portion of the undeveloped Road Plan 2106EU lying on the east side of SE 13-107-15-W5M.

Author: Liane Lambert,
Development Officer

Reviewed by:
Mary Jo Van Order, Director of
Planning and Development

CAO

BYLAW NO. 749/09

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

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLOSING A PORTION OF A PUBLIC ROAD ALLOWANCE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 22, 24 AND 606 OF THE
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, CHAPTER M-26,
REVISED STATUTES OF ALBERTA 2000.**

WHEREAS, Council of Mackenzie County has determined that the road plan as outlined on Schedule A attached hereto, be subject to a road closure, and

WHEREAS, notice of intention of the Council to pass a bylaw has been published in a locally circulated newspaper in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of Mackenzie County does hereby close and sell the road plan described as follows, subject to the rights of access granted by other legislation or regulations:

1. Meridian 5 Range 15 Township 107
All that portion of Road Plan 2106EU
Lying within the limits of Plan 102 _____
containing _____ hectares (_____ acres) more or less.
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals.

READ a first time this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Greg Newman
Reeve

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Minister of Transportation

Approval valid for _____ months.

READ a second time this _____ day of _____, 2010.

READ a third time and finally passed this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Greg Newman
Reeve

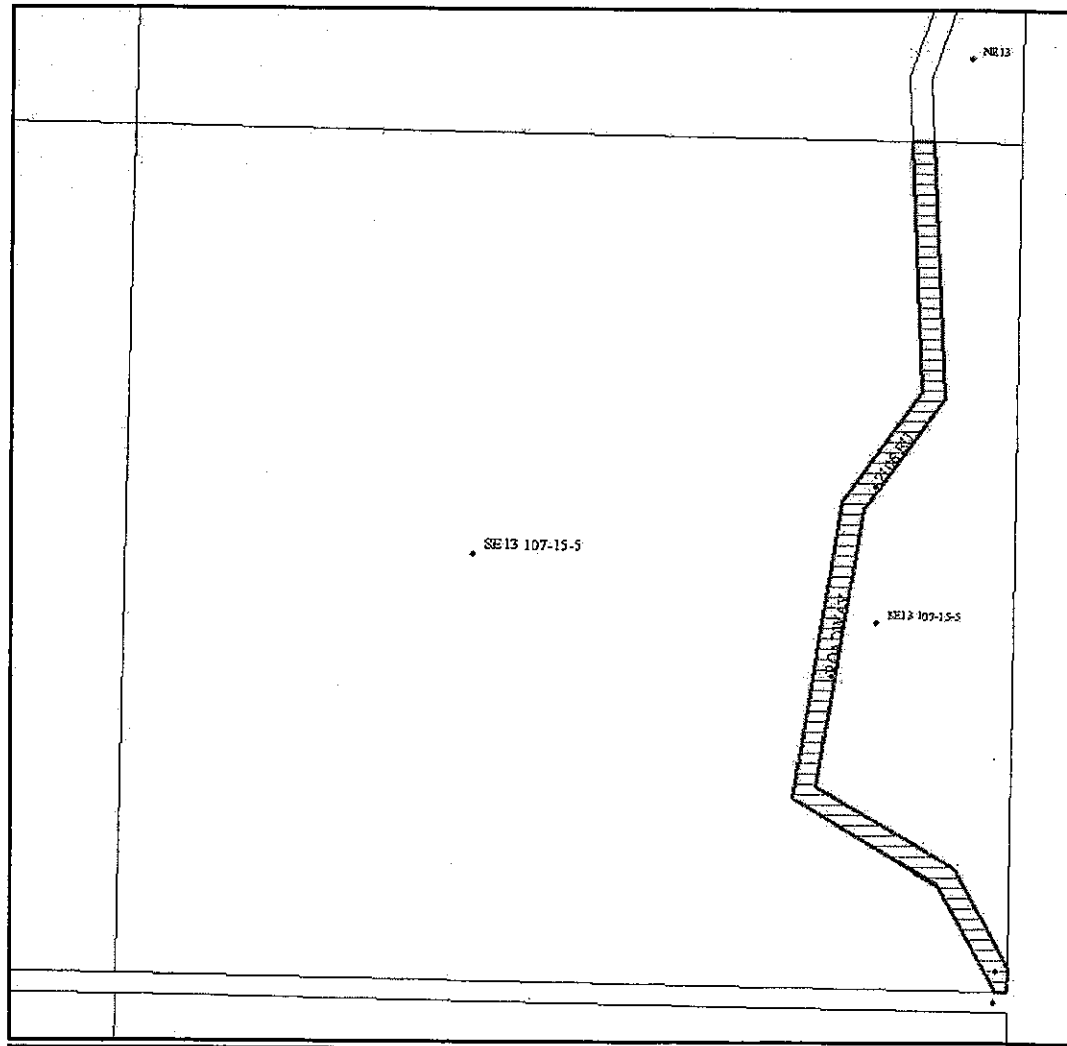
William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

BYLAW No. 749/09

SCHEDULE "A"

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

Meridian 5 Range 15 Township 107
All that portion of Road Plan 2106 EU
Lying within the limits of Plan 102 _____
containing _____ hectares (____ acres) more or less.
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals.





LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. 749/09

NAME OF APPLICANT <u>Jacob Thiessen</u>		
ADDRESS <u>Box : 1 La Crete AB</u>		
TOWN		
POSTAL CODE <u>T0H 2H0</u>	PHONE (RES.) <u>8-</u>	BUS. <u>841-4517</u>

COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT

NAME OF REGISTER OWNER		
ADDRESS		
TOWN		
POSTAL CODE	PHONE (RES.)	BUS.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

QTR./LS.	SEC.	TWP.	RANGE	M.	OR	PLAN <u>2106 EU</u>	BLK	LOT
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(4.56 ac)

Road Plan w/ SE 13-107-15-WSM

LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED:

FROM: Road Closure TO: _____

REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Request closure of Road Plan 2106 EU which is registered through SE 13-107-15-WSM. This road plan exists however no road has ever been built on it. Subdivision of SE 13-107-15-WSM is underway and Road Plan needs to be cancelled to complete the subdivision.

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

Jacob Thiessen
APPLICANT

November 24, 2009
DATE

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

REGISTERED OWNER _____

DATE _____



LAND TITLE CERTIFICATE

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LINC	SHORT LEGAL	TITLE NUMBER
0017 120 486	5;15;107;13;NE	832 061 425
0017 120 494	5;15;107;13;SE	

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

FIRST

THE NORTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTEEN (13)
TOWNSHIP ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN (107)
RANGE FIFTEEN (15)
WEST OF THE FIFTH MERIDIAN
CONTAINING 65.2 HECTARES (161 ACRES) MORE OR LESS.
EXCEPTING THEREOUT:
1.30 HECTARES (3.23 ACRES) MORE OR LESS AS SHOWN
ON ROAD PLAN 2106EU
EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS
AND THE RIGHT TO WORK THE SAME

SECOND

THE SOUTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTEEN (13)
TOWNSHIP ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN (107)
RANGE FIFTEEN (15)
WEST OF THE FIFTH MERIDIAN
CONTAINING 65.2 HECTARES (161 ACRES) MORE OR LESS.
EXCEPTING THEREOUT:
1.83 HECTARES (4.53 ACRES) MORE OR LESS AS SHOWN
ON ROAD PLAN 2106EU
EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS
AND THE RIGHT TO WORK THE SAME

ESTATE: FEE SIMPLE

MUNICIPALITY: MACKENZIE COUNTY

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REGISTRATION	DATE(DMY)	DOCUMENT TYPE	REGISTERED OWNER(S)	VALUE	CONSIDERATION
832 061 425	16/03/1983			\$150,000	

OWNERS

JACOB E THIESSEN

AND

TINA THIESSEN

BOTH OF:

LA CRETE

ALBERTA

AS JOINT TENANTS

(DATA UPDATED BY: 912045370)

ENCUMBRANCES, LIENS & INTERESTS

REGISTRATION	DATE (D/M/Y)	PARTICULARS
802 012 353	18/01/1980	UTILITY RIGHT OF WAY GRANTEE - NORTHERN LIGHTS GAS CO-OP LTD.

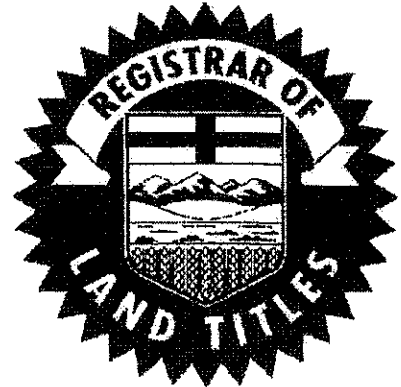
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TOTAL INSTRUMENTS: 001

THE REGISTRAR OF TITLES CERTIFIES THIS TO BE AN ACCURATE
REPRODUCTION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE REPRESENTED
HEREIN THIS 24 DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009 AT 04:08 P.M.

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CUSTOMER FILE NUMBER:



END OF CERTIFICATE

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SURVEYOR:
WARREN BARLOW, A.L.S.

REGISTERED OWNER(S):
JACOB E. THESSSEN &
TINA THESSSEN

SUBDIVISION AUTHORITY:
MACKENZIE COUNTY

FILE No. 1

TENTATIVE PLAN
SHOWING PROPOSED
SUBDIVISION OF PART OF
S.E. 1/4 SEC. 13, TWP. 107, RGE. 15, W. 5 th M.

MACKENZIE COUNTY
ALBERTA
2009

SCALE 1:2000

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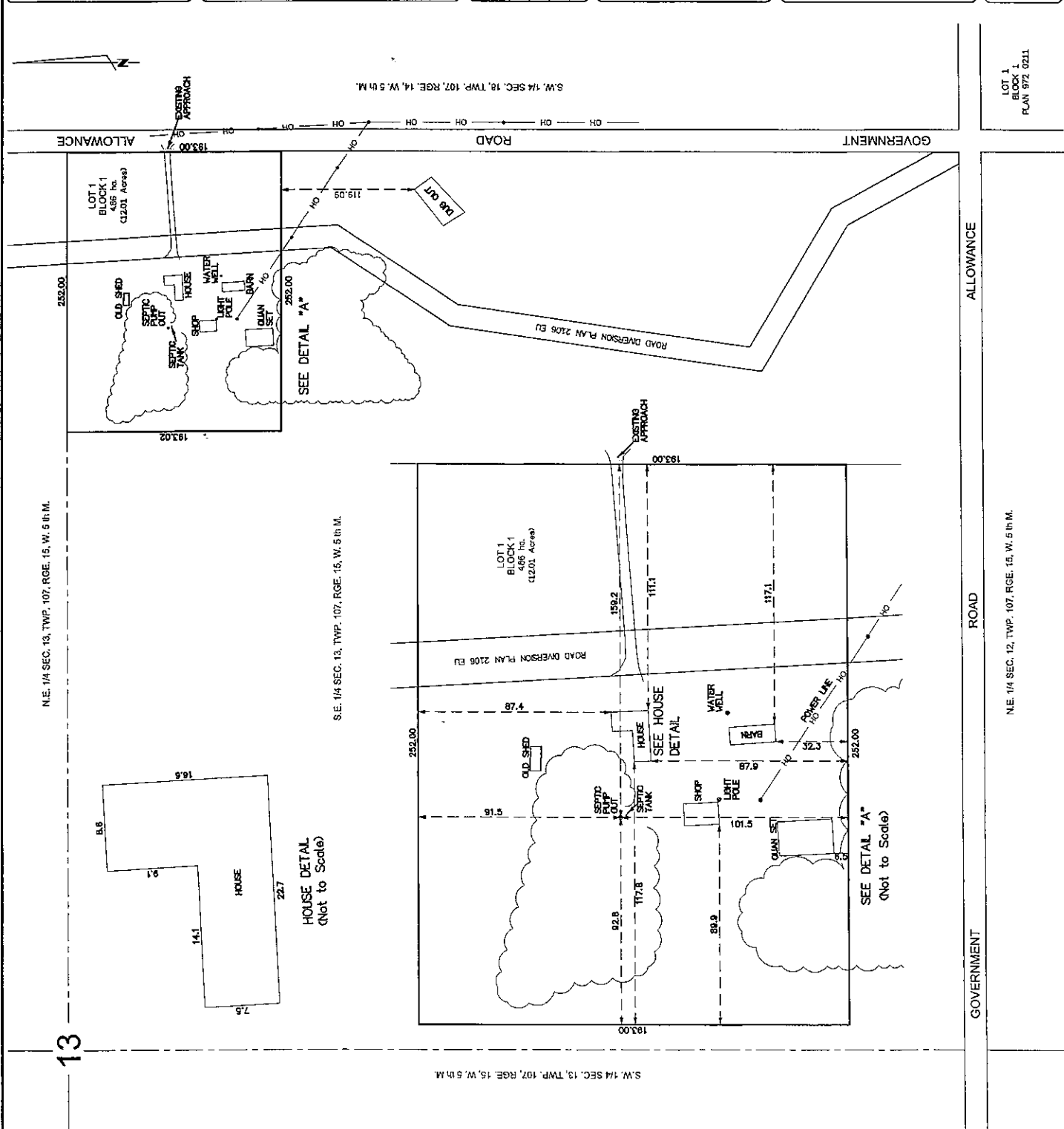
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- Distances are in meters and decimals thereof.
- Lands dealt with on this plan are bounded thus: ————
- Containing an area of: 488 ha. (1201 Acres)
- Power Line and Power Pole(s) shown thus: ————
- Boundary Line Shown Thus: ————

ABBREVIATIONS:

- Hs. Indicates Inseture.
- H. Indicates Herbion.
- N. E. S. & W. Indicates North, East, South & West.
- Rg. Indicates Range.
- Sec. Indicates Section.
- Twp. Indicates Township.

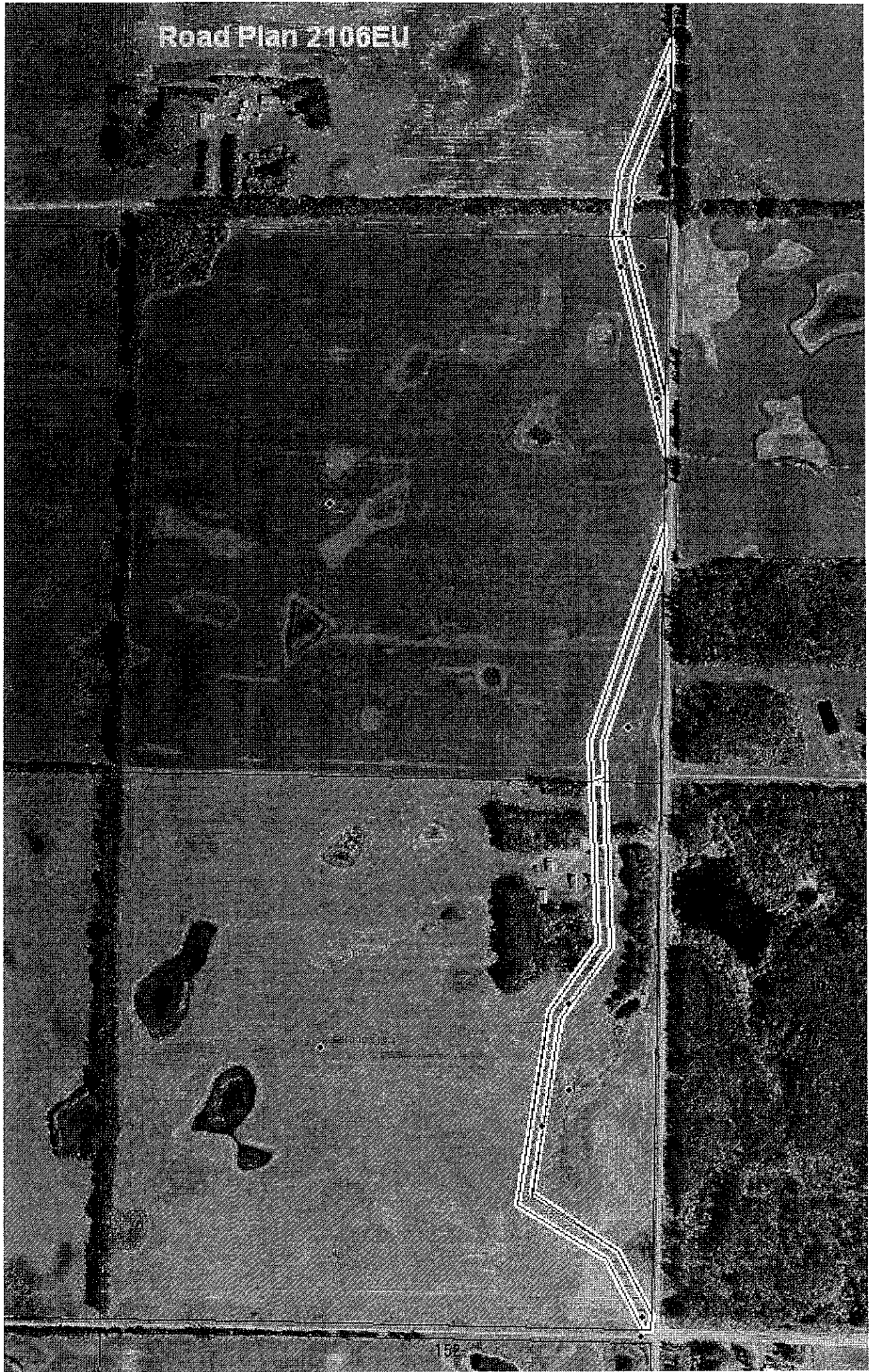
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4825-51 Ave., P.O. Box 1017, High Prairie, AB, T0G 1E0
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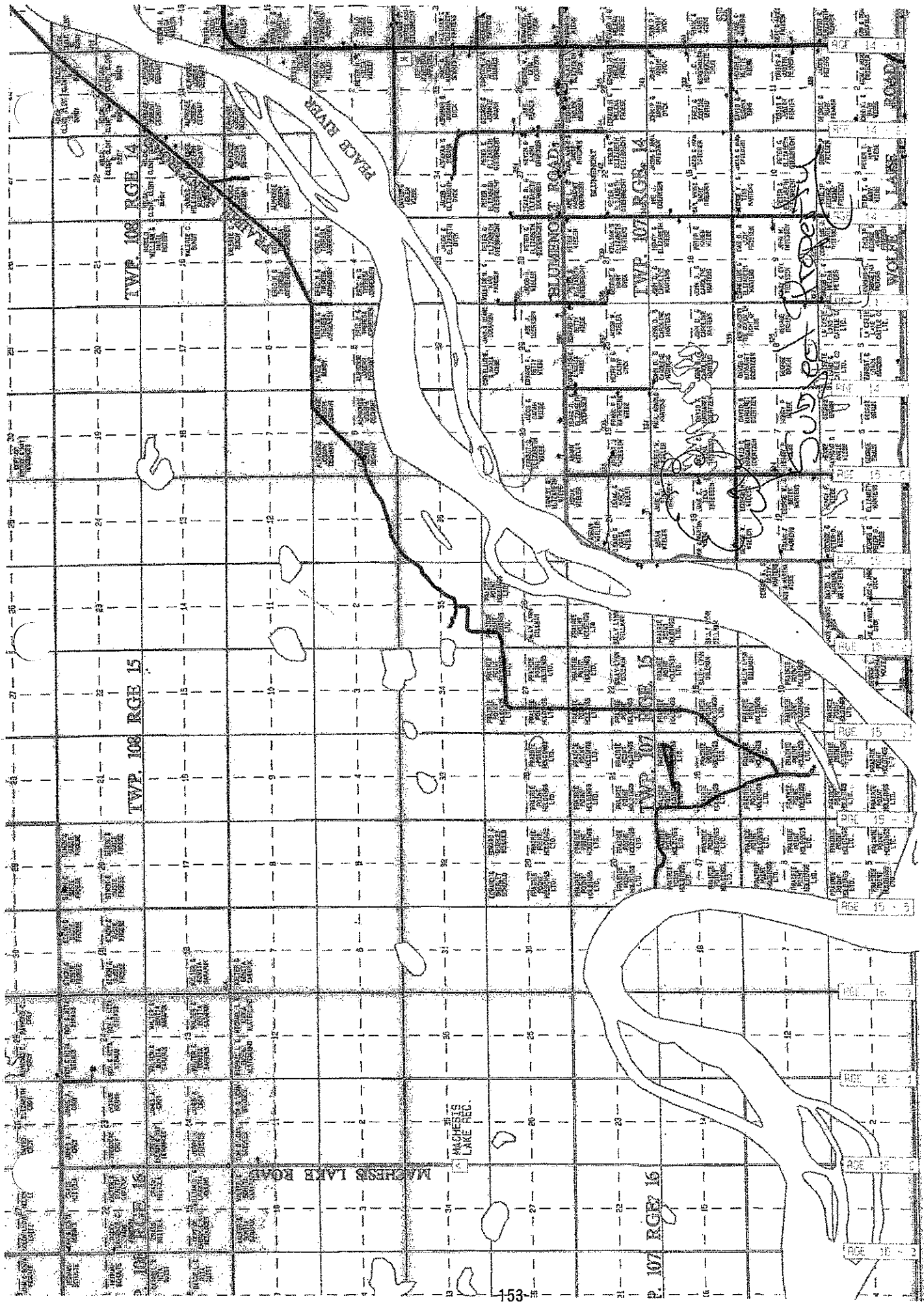




Jacob Thiessen Bylaw 749/09

Road Plan 2106EU





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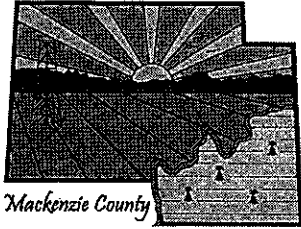
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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning & Development
Title:	Airport Development Committee: Terms of Reference

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

An Organizational and General Meeting of the Airport Development Committee was held January 21, 2010. During this meeting, the Terms of Reference were reviewed and two changes were made. The number of Councillors was reduced by one and Planning & Development was assigned administrative support with assistance from Operations. The revised Terms of Reference are attached.

Committee Motion 10-06 That the Airport Development Committee recommend the Terms of Reference and Staffing to Council.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION

That Council approve the revised Terms of Reference and Staffing for the Airport Development Committee as presented.

Author: M.J. Van Order, Director,
Planning & Development

Reviewed by: _____

CAO

Mackenzie County

Airport Development Committee

Terms of Reference

1. Committee Designation:

Mackenzie County Airport Development Committee is to provide recommendations to Council determining the levels of service at existing and future Airports within Mackenzie County.

2. Committee Members

Mackenzie County Airport Development Committee shall be comprised of:

- Three Mackenzie County Councilors
- Chief Administrative Officer
- Directors and staff as required
- Other resources as required

3. Committee Objective, Scope of Activities, and Duties:

Mackenzie County Airport Development Committee shall:

- Determine the existing service levels at all airport facilities within Mackenzie County.
- Determine operational options and costs for all airport facilities within Mackenzie County.
- Give consideration in its decision making to how airport facilities within Mackenzie County promote business, health issues and tourism in the region.
- Provide recommendations to Council regarding appropriate service levels at all airport facilities within Mackenzie County.
- Identify needs and locations of airport facilities within Mackenzie County.

- Identify capital projects required at airport facilities within Mackenzie County.
- Review policies and bylaws relating to airport facilities within Mackenzie County.

4. Time Period Necessary for the Committee to Carry Out its Purpose:

The Airport Development Committee will meet as required on an ongoing basis to determine existing service levels and make recommendations to Council regarding future service levels.

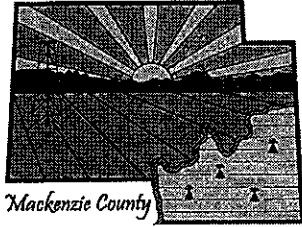
5. Reporting Structure:

The Committee shall report directly to the County Council through its Council members.

6. Committee Administrative and Financial Support:

- Mackenzie County shall provide resource and financial support.
- Mackenzie County shall provide meeting space.
- Committee members shall be reimbursed for their expenses as per the Honorariums and Related Expense Reimbursement Bylaw
- Planning and Development Department shall provide administrative support with assistance from Operations.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2010



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning & Development
Title:	Airport Development Committee: Airport Expansion Plans

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

An Organizational and General Meeting of the Airport Development Committee was held January 21, 2010. During this meeting, expansion plans for the Fort Vermilion and La Crete airports were agreed to.

Committee Motion 10-10 That the Airport Development Committee recommend to Council to expand the Fort Vermilion airport length to 3990 feet at its current width (100 feet) and expand the La Crete airport length to 3990 feet, extend width to 100 feet and proceed with tenders.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

2010 TCA Budget:

Fort Vermilion airport expansion:	\$1,000,000
La Crete airport expansion:	\$2,000,000

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

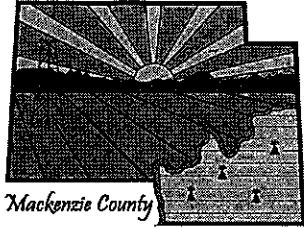
MOTION

That Council approve plans to expand the Fort Vermilion airport length to 3990 feet at its current width (100 feet) and expand the La Crete airport length to 3990 feet, extend width to 100 feet and proceed with tenders.

Author: M.J. Van Order, Director,
Planning & Development

Reviewed by: _____

CAO



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning & Development
Title:	Airport Development Committee: Zama Airstrip Improvements

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

An Organizational and General Meeting of the Airport Development Committee was held January 21, 2010. During this meeting, improvements to the Zama in-town airstrip were agreed to.

Committee Motion 10-11 That the Airport Development Committee recommend to Council that they reconstruct the entrance and construct concrete helipads with power and lights at the Zama City in-town strip.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Funding for this project is not in the 2010 budget. If Council supports this recommendation then Administration should be instructed to investigate costs for incorporation into the 2010 budget.

Author: M.J. Van Order, Director,
Planning & Development

Reviewed by: _____

CAO

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION 1

That Council authorizes Administration to acquire the necessary documents and estimates with respect to reconstruction of the entrance and construct concrete helipads with power and lights at the Zama City in-town strip for incorporation into the 2010 budget.

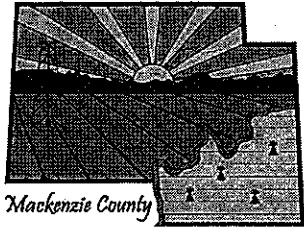
MOTION 2

That Council approve reconstruction of the entrance and construct concrete helipads with power and lights at the Zama City in-town strip.

Author: M.J. Van Order, Director,
Planning & Development

Reviewed by: _____

CAO _____



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	Mary Jo Van Order, Director of Planning & Development
Title:	Airport Development Committee: Restrict Development

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

An Organizational and General Meeting of the Airport Development Committee was held January 21, 2010. During this meeting, it was determined that the Municipal Planning Commission should be requested to restrict development in the airport areas to protect the flight paths.

Committee Motion 10-08 That Council instruct Municipal Planning Commission to restrict development in the airport areas to protect the flight paths.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

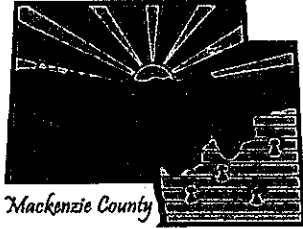
MOTION

That Council instruct the Municipal Planning Commission to restrict development in the airport areas to protect the flight paths.

Author: M.J. Van Order, Director,
Planning & Development

Reviewed by: _____

CAO



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	February 9, 2010
Presented By:	William Kostiw, 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** _____

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CAANA (Commuter Air Access Network of Alberta)

Board of Directors Meeting, February 10, 2010

1:00 PM

Roseberry Room, Chateau Louis Hotel and Conference Center

Kingsway Avenue, Edmonton, AB

DRAFT AGENDA

1. 1:00 PM – Call to Order
Introductions
Adoption of Agenda
Chairman's Remarks

2. 1:30 PM – NavCan Presentation – Brian K. Stockall,
Manager, Aeronautical Studies and Analysis,

3. 2:00 PM - Presentation re Legal Actions – Terry Hockins, Legal
Counsel

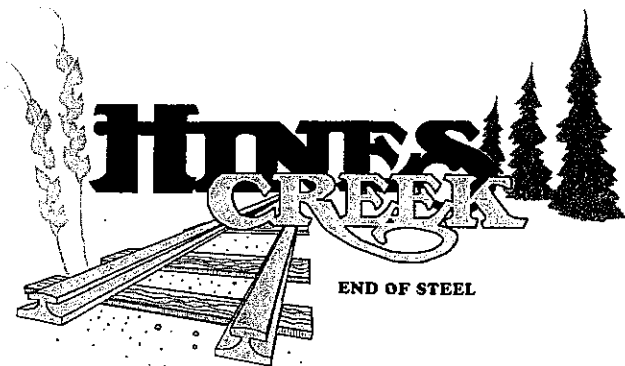
4. 2:30 PM - Presentation re Medevac - Tyler James, Senior Manager
Emergency Health Services, Health Policy and Service
Standards Development, Alberta Health and Wellness

5. 3:15 pm - Break

6. 3:30 PM - Update of AB Transportation Air Strategy --
Sara Wong, Director

7. 4:00 PM - Next Steps
Membership and Financial Report
Date of Next Board Meeting and Bi-Weekly Meetings

2. 4:30 PM - Adjourn



Council Info.

VILLAGE OF HINES CREEK

Box 421, Hines Creek, Alberta T0H 2A0

Ph: 494-3760 Ph: 494-3690

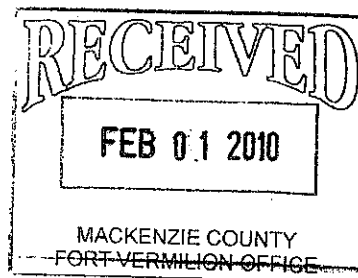
Fax: 494-3605

hinescrk@telusplanet.net

File No: 0803

January 15, 2010

Honorable Gene Zwozdesky
Minister of Health & Wellness
Legislature Office
#203 Legislature Building
10800 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6



Dear Minister Zwozdesky

Re: EMS Dispatch – Peace Region

Late last year Alberta Health and Wellness announced that due to “administrative restructuring”, they were looking at consolidating our regional Northern Communication Centre (NCC) to Edmonton or Calgary. It is our belief that having a Public Safety Answering Point is crucial to the northern communities and that such a consolidation would have an adverse affect in our area.

We feel that as a cost saving measure it might end up costing more in valuable time for EMS personnel to reach crucial sites for emergency assistance. Time is a very valuable commodity when it comes to people’s lives or property. If the NCC is moved from the Peace region, how can a person sitting in Calgary know that passing on local landmarks for emergency personnel to respond to could be crucial?

This Council strongly supports the NCC remaining in the Peace region and would like to take the opportunity to meet with you and other elected officials in the municipalities in our area to discuss the issues regarding this important topic.

Sincerely

Ashley Zavisha, Mayor
Village of Hines Creek

Cc: A.U.M.A. Northern Zone Members
A.A.M.D.C. Northern Zone Members

Carol Gabriel

cc agenda info

From: ACNMail@gov.ab.ca
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 2:11 PM
To: Carol Gabriel
Subject: Orders in Council - Approved Orders in Council ~27674~

Orders in Council

January 20, 2010

Approved Orders in Council

Cabinet Meeting - January 19, 2010
Orders Approved - January 20, 2010

HONOURABLE MR. BLACKETT 4/2010 ALBERTA HUMAN RIGHTS ACT (section 15) - Reappoints Brenda Chomey as a member of the Alberta Human Rights Commission for a term to expire on January 31, 2012. 5/2010 HISTORICAL RESOURCES ACT (section 38) - Appoints Raymond Pinco and Hazel Hart as directors of The Alberta Historical Resources Foundation, each for an additional term to expire on December 31, 2010; appoints Thomas Clark and Don Totten, each for an additional term to expire on December 31, 2011; and appoints Linda Affolder and Frederick Bradley, each for an additional term to expire on December 31, 2012. **HONOURABLE MR. HORNER** 6/2010 ALBERTA RESEARCH AND INNOVATION ACT (section 7); ALBERTA RESEARCH AND INNOVATION REGULATION (section 3) - Appoints John Webb to the board of directors of Alberta Innovates - Bio Solutions for a term to expire on January 19, 2013. 7/2010 POST-SECONDARY LEARNING ACT (sections 44 and 56) - Appoints Amina Beecroft as a member of The Board of Governors of Bow Valley College for a term to expire on January 19, 2013. 8/2010 POST-SECONDARY LEARNING ACT (sections 44 and 56) - Reappoints John Winton as a member of The Board of Governors of Olds College for a term to expire on January 19, 2013. 9/2010 POST-SECONDARY LEARNING ACT (sections 44 and 56) - Appoints John K. Brannan as a member of the Board of Governors of the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology for a term to expire on January 19, 2013. **HONOURABLE MR. STELMACH - HONOURABLE MR. HORNER (ACTING)** 10/2010 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION ACT (section 4) - Appoints members to the Treasury Board. 11/2010 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION ACT (section 15) - Appoints the respective members of the Executive Council as Acting Ministers of the Crown. 12/2010 PROCLAMATION - To prorogue, effective February 3, 2010, the Second Session of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of Alberta, and to convene the Third Session of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of Alberta on February 4, 2010 at 3:00 in the afternoon. 13/2010 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION ACT (section 4), ~~PUBLIC SERVICE ACT (section 18)~~ - Appoints Grant Robertson as Deputy Minister of the Treasury Board. 14/2010 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION ACT (section 4); ~~PUBLIC SERVICE ACT (section 18)~~ - Appoints Jay Ramotar as Deputy Minister of Health and Wellness. 15/2010 PUBLIC SERVICE ACT (section 18) - Appoints Dwight Dikken as Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council and Deputy Secretary to Cabinet. 16/2010 PUBLIC SERVICE ACT (section 18) - Appoints Roxanna Benoit as Deputy Chief, Policy Coordination, effective February 1, 2010. **HONOURABLE MR. ZWOZDESKY** 17/2010 FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT (section 4) - Declares that, for the purposes of the Fiscal Responsibility Act, the extraordinary expense incurred in 2009 2010 associated with the response to the pandemic H1N1 influenza constitutes a public emergency.

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News Release

January 21, 2010

Official Trustee appointed to Northland School Division

Government review to address student achievement results

Edmonton... An Official Trustee has been appointed to the Northland School Division by the Alberta Government as an interim measure to address concerns over student achievement results across the jurisdiction.

"My number one priority is that students are successful in school, so I'm taking action now to ensure positive changes occur for students today and in the future," said Dave Hancock, Minister of Education. "My goal is to help set the stage for new beginnings to build a more effective learning environment."

Dr. Colin Kelly has been appointed Official Trustee and will have all the powers of an elected Board of Trustees in operating the School Division. Effective immediately, the 23-member Board of Trustees for Northland School Division will cease to hold office, although they will remain as chairs of their local school board committees.

Under Section 42 of the *School Act*, the Minister of Education has the authority to appoint an Official Trustee when he considers it is in the public's best interests. Hancock concluded there is ample evidence indicating the Board and the jurisdiction are not functioning at a satisfactory level and showing no signs of improvement in the near future. In making this decision, Hancock noted concerns over student performance, achievement and high school completion as well as an ongoing trend of high teacher and administrator turnover in the division as primary reasons for the action.

"I have given this course of action careful and serious consideration, and am disappointed at having to enforce this section of the *School Act*," added Hancock. "The bottom line is that the education of students is suffering and we can't risk losing a generation of young people."

The Minister has also appointed a three-member inquiry team under Section 41 of the *School Act* to study the operations of the Northland School Division. The members of the inquiry team are: Dr. David van Tamelen, former Secretary-Treasurer and Superintendent of Schools, Peace River School Division; Nathan Matthew, B.C. First Nations Representative on the Education Advisory Council to B.C.'s Minister of Education; and Keith Wagner, former Deputy Superintendent (Curriculum) with Grande Prairie School District.

Official Trustee appointed to Northland School Division

The inquiry team will focus on student achievement, governance, and instructional and administrative leadership of the division. The team will take up to six months to complete its work and will provide their recommendations in a final report to the Minister. The review process will be consultative and collaborative involving local school committee members, school division staff, administration, teachers, parents, students and the local community.

"I believe the inquiry team can thoroughly and objectively examine all the presenting issues in Northland, but we must recognize that we do not have all the answers," said Hancock. "The feedback and advice that we receive from community, staff and student participants in this important process is fundamental to making true transformative change in the division. We must come together to focus first and foremost on the interests of students."

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Backgrounders(s):

Role and biography of the Official Trustee
Role and biographies of the Inquiry Team
Overview of Northland School Division

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>>> Here's an interesting read, important and verifiable information :

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>> About 6 months ago, the writer was watching a news program
>> on oil and one of the Forbes Bros. was the guest. The host said to
> Forbes,
>>> "I am going to ask you a direct question and I would like a direct

> answer; how
>>> much oil does the U.S. have in the ground?" Forbes did not miss a
>>> beat, he said, "more than all the Middle East put together." Please read
> below.
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>>> The U. S. Geological Service issued a report in April 2008 that only
>>> scientists and oil men knew was coming, but man was it big.
>>> It was a revised report (hadn't been updated since 1995) on how
>>> much oil was in this area of the western 2/3 of North Dakota, western
> South
>>> Dakota, and extreme eastern Montana check THIS out:
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>>> The Bakken is the largest domestic oil discovery since Alaska's Prudhoe
> Bay,
>>> and has the potential to eliminate all American dependence on foreign
> oil.
>>> The Energy Information Administration (EIA) estimates it at 503 billion
>>> barrels. Even if just 10% of the oil is recoverable... at \$107 a barrel,
>>> we're looking at a resource base worth more than \$53 trillion.
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>>> "When I first briefed legislators on this, you could practically see
> their
>>> jaws hit the floor. They had no idea.." says Terry Johnson, the Montana
>>> Legislature's financial analyst.
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>>> "This sizable find is now the highest-producing
>>> onshore oil field found in
>>> the past 56 years," reports The Pittsburgh Post
>>> Gazette. It's a formation
>>> known as the Williston Basin, but is more commonly referred
>>> to as the
>>> 'Bakken.' It stretches from Northern Montana,
>>> through North Dakota and
>>> into Canada. For years, U. S. oil exploration has been
>>> considered a dead
>>> end. Even the 'Big Oil' companies gave up searching
>>> for major oil wells
>>> decades ago. However, a recent technological breakthrough
>>> has opened up the
>>> Bakken's massive reserves.... and we now have access of
>>> up to 500 billion
>>> barrels. And because this is light, sweet oil, those
>>> billions of barrels
>>> will cost Americans just \$16 PER BARREL!
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>>> That's enough crude to fully fuel the American economy
>>> for 2041 years
>>> straight. And if THAT didn't throw you on the floor,
>>> then this next one
>>> should - because it's from 2006!
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>>> U. S. Oil Discovery- Largest Reserve in the World

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>>> Stansberry Report Online - 4/20/2006

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>>> Hidden 1,000 feet beneath the surface of the Rocky

>>> Mountains lies the

>>> largest untapped oil reserve in the world. It is more than

>>> 2 TRILLION

>>> barrels. On August 8, 2005 President Bush mandated its

>>> extraction. In three

>>> and a half years of high oil prices none has been

>>> extracted. With this

>>> motherload of oil why are we still fighting over off-shore

>>> drilling?

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>>> They reported this stunning news: We have more oil inside

>>> our borders, than

>>> all the other proven reserves on earth. Here are the

>>> official estimates:

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>>> - 8-times as much oil as Saudi Arabia

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>>> - 18-times as much oil as Iraq

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>>> - 21-times as much oil as Kuwait

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>>> - 22-times as much oil as Iran

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>>> - 500-times as much oil as Yemen

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>>> - and it's all right here in the Western United States

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>>> HOW can this BE? HOW can we NOT BE extracting this? Because

>>> the environmentalists and others have blocked all efforts to

>>> help America become

>>> independent of foreign oil! Again, we are letting a small

>>> group of people dictate our lives and our economy..... WHY?

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>>> James Bartis, lead researcher with the study says we've

>>> got more oil in this

>>> very compact area than the entire Middle East -more than 2

>>> TRILLION barrels untapped.

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>>> That's more than all the proven oil reserves

>>> of crude oil in the world today, reports The Denver Post.

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>>> Don't think 'OPEC' will drop its price - even

>>> with this find? Think again!

>>> It's all about the competitive marketplace, - it has

>>> to. Think OPEC just

>>> might be funding the environmentalists?
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>>> Got your attention yet? Now, while you're thinking
>>> about it, do this:
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>>> Pass this along. If you don't take a little time to do
>>> this, then you
>>> should stifle yourself the next time you complain about gas
>>> prices - by
>>> doing NOTHING, you forfeit your right to complain.
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>>> Now I just wonder what would happen in this country
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>>> if every one of you sent this to every one
>>> in your address book.
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>>> By the way...this is all true. Check it out at the link below!!!
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>>> GOOGLE it, or follow this link. It will blow your mind.
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>>> <<http://www.usgs.gov/newsroom/article.asp?ID=1911>>
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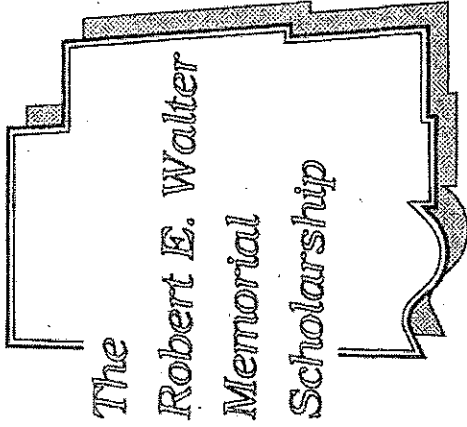
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Robert E Walter

Bob Walter was truly one of the Mackenzie Region's leaders. His hard work, commitment and self-sacrifice resulted in many positive results and gained recognition for northern Alberta. Bob also initiated a standard of excellence for future generations to work towards.

Bob was the Town of High Level's first Mayor. Prior to this, he was a member of the New Town of High Level's Board of Administrators. Bob was a founding member of the Mackenzie Regional Planning Commission (presently named the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency), an organization that he chaired for many years. Bob was also a member of the Minister of Municipal Affairs' Council on Local Development. In all these ventures, Bob represented our part of Alberta well and always promoted the on-going enhancement of northern Alberta.

Bob had an unwavering opinion on the need for northern Alberta educational opportunities, and retaining youth in the region. With this in mind and in memory of this outstanding individual, the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship was established.



Application Guidelines

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Phone: 780-338-3862
info@mmsa.ca
www.mmsa.ca

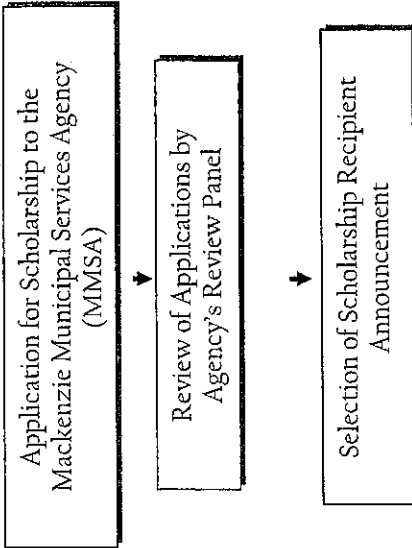
The Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship



Purpose of the Scholarship

The purpose of the Robert E. Walter Memorial Scholarship is to financially assist persons from the Mackenzie Region taking post-secondary school programs who plan to utilize their education in a career based in the Mackenzie Region of northern Alberta.

The Scholarship Review Process



Funding Available

One \$500 scholarship per year. Recipient may receive a total of two (2) scholarships per program but is required to apply a second time in order to be considered.

Eligibility

The Applicant must be a resident of the Mackenzie Region in northern Alberta;

The Applicant is a high school graduate who will be or is currently attending a post secondary education program;

Or the Applicant is currently in the work force but will be attending a post secondary education program to upgrade skills.

Students enrolled in studies leading towards working in local government will be given preference.

How to Apply for a Scholarship

1. Provide a cover letter indicating the following:
 - a. Your intentions for the R. E. Walter Memorial Scholarship funds;
 - b. Your goals for your future;
 - c. Why you feel you would be deserving of the scholarship funds; and
 - d. Your resume.
2. Include letters of recommendation from:
 - a. Teachers or staff from the school you have attended or employers you currently work for. *Recommendations can be based on financial need, work ethic, community involvement or academic standing.*
 - b. A member of the community. *Recommendations can be based on citizenship, character, or involvement in community activities.*
3. Complete the Application Form.
4. Include a copy of your grades.
5. Include a list of your academic achievements and community involvement.
 - Funds must be used to pursue post-secondary education in Alberta or Canada.
 - Funds may be used for tuition, fees, room and board, and/or books and supplies.
 - An account of how the funds were used will be forwarded to the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency.
 - Applicant agrees to retain employment in the Mackenzie Region for one (1) year following graduation.

Application packages should be forwarded for consideration to the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency at Box 450 Berwyn AB T0H 0E0 prior to March 31st each year.

Regulations

Deadline for Applications

OFFICE USE ONLY	
DATE:	FILE NO.

R. E. Walter Memorial Scholarship Application Form

Student's Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Town/Province/Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Post-Secondary Education: _____

Post-Secondary Institution: _____

Types of Professional Accreditation
Associated with the Program: _____

Future Goals and Plans for Employment: _____

Scholarship Agreement:

I, _____ do hereby agree that following the graduation of my post-secondary education in _____, I will live and obtain employment within the Mackenzie region of northern Alberta for at least one (1) year, and agree to be situated in the Mackenzie Region within six (6) months following my post secondary education.

I, _____ agree to provide the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency, Administrator for the R. E. Walter Memorial Scholarship for which I have received, with a copy of my certificate/degree as well as a summary of how the funds were utilized on or before December 31st of the year I have graduated from my post secondary education.

If I, _____ do not complete my post secondary education and do not obtain a certificate/degree, I agree to return the funds obtained from the R. E. Walter Memorial Scholarship fund, to the Scholarship Fund's Administrator, the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency, located at Box 450 Berwyn AB T0H 0E0.

Signature of Witness

Signature of Student

Witness Contact Information: _____

Please ensure the following is included in your Application package:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Covering Letter & Resume ◇ Copy of grades ◇ List of academic achievements ◇ Do Not Include a Photo | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Letters of support from Teachers/Community Leaders ◇ List of Community involvements ◇ Completed Application Form ◇ APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 31 EACH YEAR |
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Mail to:

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