

Motions:

1) John W. Driedger

To come out of camera
4:45 p.m.

2) Lisa

To accept ~~personal~~ report as presented

3) John W.

Special proj. - as presented

4) Lisa

(Ambulance RFP)
Option 1 as amended (with Town of
Rainbow Lake input)

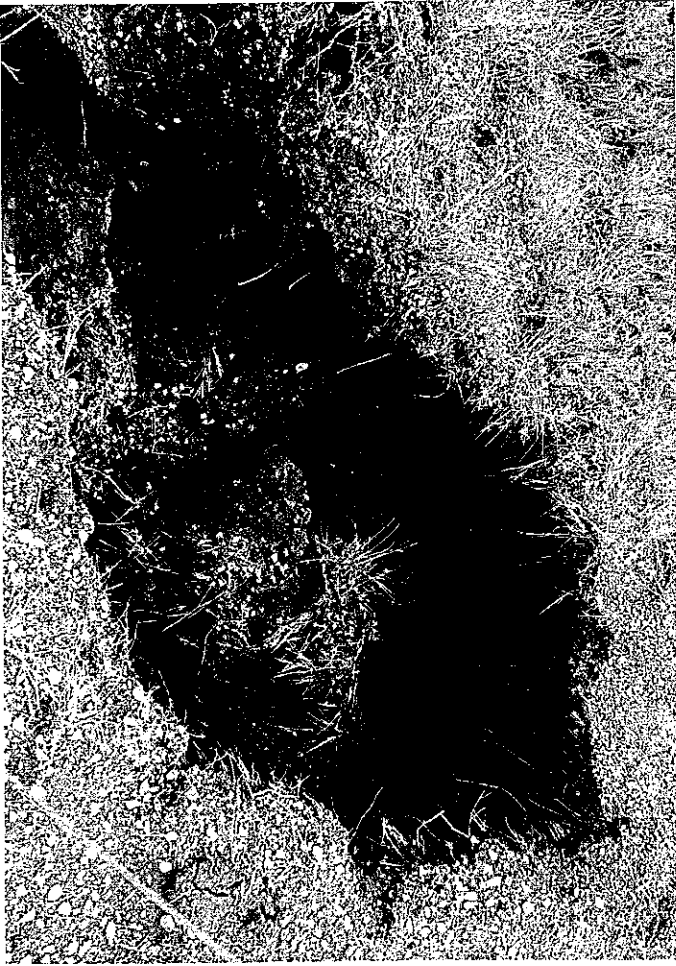
5) Ray

Table airports ~~until we find~~
~~costs of moving the tower~~
for further information.

6) Walter

That spreaders be placed back on
graders.

Defeated



7) Lisa

Att PE for information

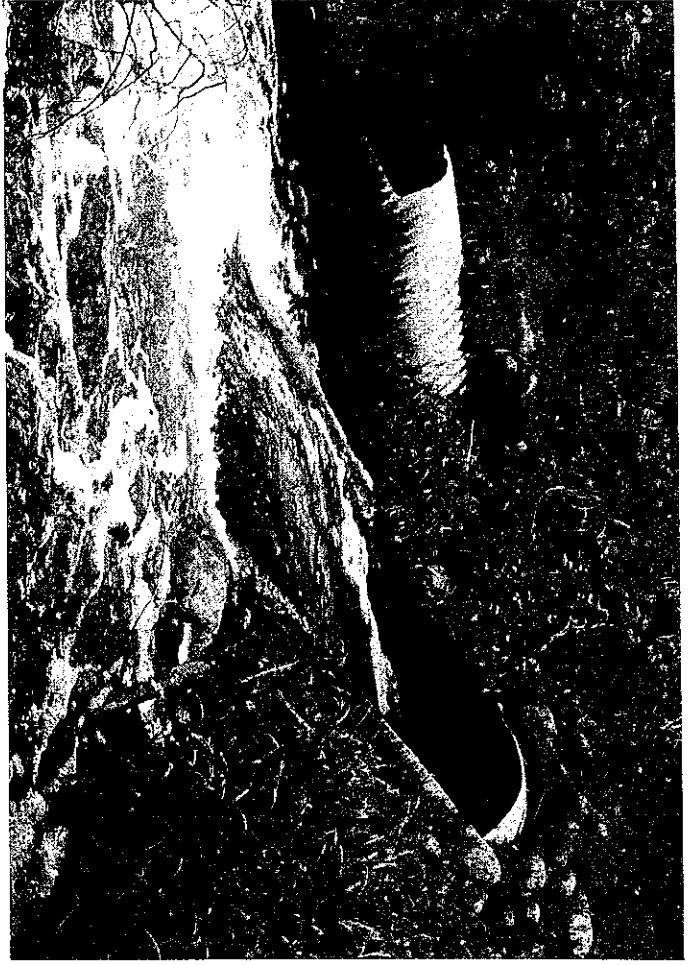
8) Ed

Covered pit money. For more
information

9) Walter

to adjourn the meeting

4:48 pm.



**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, June 10, 2008
10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

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*Randy
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2 Resolved*

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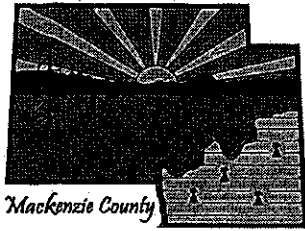
- e) Graders
- f) AUPE
- g) **Gravel Pit Management (ADDITION)**
- h)

**NEXT MEETING
DATE:**

15. a) Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, June 25, 2008
4:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Town of High Level, AB

ADJOURNMENT:

16. a) Adjournment



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Minutes of the May 22, 2008 Regular Council Meeting

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Minutes of the May 22, 2008 Regular Council meeting are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the minutes of the May 22, 2008 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: _____ CAO

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, May 22, 2008

4:00 p.m.

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, AB**

PRESENT:

Greg Newman	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Peter Braun	Councillor
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Bill Neufeld	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Stuart Watson	Councillor

ABSENT:

Ed Froese	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor

ADMINISTRATION:

William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
Mark Schonken	Director of Public Works & Agriculture
John Klassen	Director of Environmental Services
Ryan Becker	Director of Planning & Emergency Services
Wanita Mitchell	Administrative Assistant

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on May 22, 2008 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Newman called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

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

MOTION 08-05-369 **MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of:

- 10. g) Council Workshop
- 11. b) 102nd Street (La Crete)
- 11. c) Loader Replacement
- 12. d) Hamlet Traffic Signs – La Crete

12. e) Development Permit 102-DP-08 Plan 902 0841,
Block 5 (N1/2 15 & 22-125-18-W5M) Direct Control
2 "DC2" (Indian Cabins)

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF THE
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

3. a) **Minutes of the May 6, 2008 Regular Council Meeting**

MOTION 08-05-370

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the May 6, 2008 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4. a) **Hutch Lake**

MOTION 08-05-371

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That an invitation be sent to the Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation to tour Hutch Lake.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) **None**

GENERAL REPORTS:

6. a) **None**

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) **Bylaw 649/07 Road Closure NW 29-106-15-W5M (Plan 042-4702) La Crete Rural**

Reeve Newman called the public hearing for Bylaw 649/07 to order at 4:15 p.m.

Reeve Newman asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 649/07 was properly advertised. Ryan Becker, Director of Planning & Emergency Services, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Newman asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Road Closure Bylaw. Ryan Becker, Director of Planning & Emergency Services, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on September 26, 2007.

Reeve Newman asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Road Closure Bylaw.

Reeve Newman asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 649/07. Ryan Becker, Director of Planning & Emergency Services, answered that five submissions were received.

Reeve Newman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 649/07. There was no indication that anyone present wished to speak to the bylaw.

Reeve Newman closed the public hearing for Bylaw 649/07 at 4:17 p.m.

MOTION 08-05-372

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 649/07 being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure of that portion of internal subdivision road of Plan 042 4702 lying adjacent to and south of Lot 7, Block 1, Plan 042 4702, adjacent to and north of Lot 5, Block 1, Plan 042 4702 and within and west of Lot 6, Block 1, Plan 042 4702, that the applicant shall be responsible for all costs associated with the road closure, land purchase, and consolidation of the parcels.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-05-373

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That third reading be given to Bylaw 649/07 being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure of that portion of internal subdivision road of Plan 042 4702 lying adjacent to and south of Lot 7, Block 1, Plan 042 4702, adjacent to and north of Lot 5, Block 1, Plan 042 4702 and within and west of Lot 6, Block 1, Plan 042 4702, that the applicant shall be responsible for all costs associated with the road closure, land purchase, and consolidation of the parcels.

CARRIED

TENDERS:

8. a) None

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

9. a) None

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

**10. a) Bylaw 651/07 Offsite Levy – W ½ 10-106-15-W5M (La
Crete)**

MOTION 08-05-374

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That second reading be given to Bylaw 651/07 being a bylaw to establish an offsite levy for sewer services for the W ½ 10-106-15-W5M in the Hamlet of La Crete.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-05-375

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That third reading be given to Bylaw 651/07 being a bylaw to establish an offsite levy for sewer services for the W ½ 10-106-15-W5M in the Hamlet of La Crete.

CARRIED

10. b) La Crete Swimming Pool Committee

MOTION 08-05-376
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2008 budget be amended to include the cost share of the swimming pool feasibility study with the La Crete Recreation Board to a maximum of \$25,000.00 with the funding coming from the Grants to Other Organizations Reserve and that the County request the results of the study.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. c) GIS – Aerial Photography

MOTION 08-05-377
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the 2008 capital budget be amended to include \$100,000.00 for the aerial photography project with funding coming from the General Operating Reserve.

CARRIED

10. d) Emergency Management Training

MOTION 08-05-378

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That all Council be authorized to attend the Basic Emergency

Management (BEM) Course in High Level on September 23, 2008 and that the local Family Community and Support Services groups be notified of the course.

CARRIED

10. e) La Crete Ratepayers Meeting

MOTION 08-05-379

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the La Crete ratepayers meeting be changed to Thursday, June 26, 2008.

CARRIED

10. f) La Crete Agricultural Society – Letter of Support

MOTION 08-05-380

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That a letter of support be sent to the La Crete Agricultural Society for the roofing repairs on buildings located at the La Crete Mennonite Heritage Museum and for the purchase of foldable bleachers in order to secure the grant funding.

CARRIED

10. g) Council Workshop (ADDITION)

MOTION 08-05-381

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Council workshop be tentatively rescheduled to August 15 & 16, 2008.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Sustainable Resource Development – Hunting
Proposal**

MOTION 08-05-382

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That a letter of support be sent to Sustainable Resource Development (SRD) in regards to their hunting proposal.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 5:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

11. b) 102nd Street (La Crete) (ADDITION)

MOTION 08-05-383
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the County negotiate the extension of the current contract for 102nd street project, in the Hamlet of La Crete, with the contractor and bring it back to Council at their June 10, 2008 meeting for final funding options.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. c) Loader Replacement (ADDITION)

MOTION 08-05-384
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the 2008 budget be amended to include \$190,000.00 for the purchase of a replacement loader with funding coming from the Vehicle & Equipment Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

12. a) Municipal Reserve Policy RESV10

MOTION 08-05-385

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Municipal Reserve policy RESV10 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

12. b) Zama Five Lot Subdivision on Aspen Drive

MOTION 08-05-386

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the County hold a Public Auction for the sale of five lots (Part of SW 18-117-4-W6M) within the Hamlet of Zama and that a reserve bid be set at \$12,000.00 per lot.

CARRIED

12. c) Land Adjacent to Footner Forest Products (High Level Rural)

MOTION 08-05-387

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That a caveat be placed on the three quarter sections of land directly east of the Footner Forest Products mill site owned by Mackenzie County (W ½ 6-109-19-W5M & SW 7-109-19-W5M).

CARRIED

12. d) Hamlet Traffic Signs – La Crete (ADDITION)

MOTION 08-05-388

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the traffic signage changes in the Hamlet of La Crete be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. e) Development Permit 102-DP-08 Plan 902 0841, Lot 5 (N ½ 15 & 22-125-18-W5M) Direct Control 2 “DC2” (Indian Cabins) (ADDITION)

MOTION 08-05-389

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That Development Permit 102-DP-08, on Plan 902 0841, Lot 5 (N ½ 15 & 22-125-18-W5M) Direct Control 2 “DC2”, in the name of 121054 Alta Ltd. be approved with the following conditions:

1. All conditions and requirements by Alberta Infrastructure are to be met to their specifications and standards.
2. All setbacks from property lines adjacent to the Provincial Highway shall meet Alberta Infrastructure setback requirements.
3. The Mobile building shall meet all Alberta Safety Code requirements for Commercial Buildings and any other requirements specified by Superior Safety Codes.
4. Obtain all other approvals from other Government Agencies as required. (Agriculture, Environment, Housing and Consumer Affairs Division, Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, PTMMA, etc.)
5. Comply to applicable legislation under the Public Health Act and obtain the appropriate approvals prior to commencement of development. Contact the Health Inspector at (780)-926-7000.
6. Minimum building setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any

other property lines

7. The undercarriage of the Mobile building shall be screened from view by skirting or such other means satisfactory to the development officer.
8. The sewage disposal system shall conform to the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations.
9. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.
10. Provide parking as follows: The minimum parking standards are 1 stall per 45 sq m of gross floor area. "One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy 300 square feet."
11. Sufficient lighting to light up the parking area for the General Store/liquor store and service station.

Failure to comply with the conditions will render the permit null and void.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

13. a) Information/Correspondence Items

MOTION 08-05-390

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

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

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 08-05-391

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 6:16 p.m.

14. a) Personnel
14. b) Special Projects
14. c) Forestry
14. d) Ambulance

CARRIED

MOTION 08-05-392

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 6:38 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-05-393

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the in-camera items be received for information.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE:

15. a) Regular Council Meeting

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, June 10, 2008
10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

ADJOURNMENT:

16. a) Adjournment

MOTION 08-05-394

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

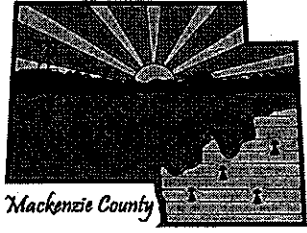
That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes will be presented to Council for approval on Tuesday, June 10, 2008.

Greg Newman, Reeve

Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes April 24 & May 8, 2008

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:


Information item. The adopted minutes of the April 24 and May 8, 2008 meetings are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of April 24 and May 8, 2008 be received for information.

Author: C. Gabriel Review By: _____ CAO 

**Mackenzie County
Municipal Planning Commission Meeting**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

Thursday, April 24, 2008 @ 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Peter Braun	Chair, Councillor
Jack Eccles	Vice – Chair, MPC Member
Ed Froese	Councillor
Manfred Gross	MPC Member
Beth Kappelar	MPC Member
Ryan Becker	Director of Planning and Emergency Services
Liane Lambert	Development Officer
Vicky Krahn	Planning Administrative Support

1. CALL TO ORDER

Peter Braun called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 08-74 **MOVED** by Jack Eccles

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 5b) Subdivision Application 53-SUB-07
NW 17-105-14-W5M (Plan 952 0105, Block 1, Lot 1 and Plan
002 2535, Block 1, Lot 2); La Crete Rural
Jacob and Margaret Unrau
- 5c) Subdivision Application 06-SUB-08
NW 17-105-14-W5M (Plan 952 0105, Block 1, Lot 1);
La Crete Rural
Jacob and Margaret Unrau

CARRIED

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOTION 08-75 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That the minutes of the April 14, 2008 Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. **DEVELOPMENT**

Development Permit Applications 4a to 4c to be discussed later on in the meeting.

- d) **Development Permit Application 47-DP-08
Optimal Enterprise Ltd. (Stephen Casault); Contractor's
Business with Shop and Garage
NE 7-109-19-W5M; High Level Rural**

Stephen Casault was present to discuss the proposed subdivision with the Municipal Planning Commission.

MOTION 08-76 **MOVED** by Jack Eccles

That Development Permit 47-DP-08 on NE 7-109-19-W5M in the name of Optimal Enterprises Ltd. be approved with the following conditions:

1. A variance of 57.41 feet (17.7 meters) on the east property line setback is hereby granted for the placement of the 12x24 foot garage.
2. Minimum building setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
3. **The developer must comply with all of Alberta Safety Codes regulation for Commercial buildings. Failure to do so shall render this Development permit Null and Void.**
4. This permit may be revoked at any time, if, in the opinion of the Development Authority, the Contractor's Business has become detrimental or otherwise incompatible with the amenities of the neighborhood.

5. The ancillary buildings (garage/shop) shall be constructed and finished with similar construction materials as the residence and shall compliment the natural features of the site and the aesthetics of the neighbouring houses to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.
6. No ancillary buildings erected/or moved onto the site shall be used as a dwelling.
7. All sewage disposal systems to be in conformance with the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations.
8. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards and at the developers expense.
9. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

- a) **Development Permit Application 24-DP-08**
Jake Fehr; Hanger
S ½ 1-106-15-W5M (Plan 852 1266, Block OT); La Crete Airport

MOTION 08-77 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That Development Permit 24-DP-08 on S^{1/2} 1-106-15-W5M (Plan 852 1266, OT) in the name of 409512 Alberta Ltd. be approved with the following conditions:

1. Minimum aircraft hanger setbacks shall be:

Side Yard;

1.55 meters (5.10 feet) from the side property lines,
3.6 meters (12 feet) from the adjacent hangers or
setbacks required by Alberta Safety Codes
which ever is greater.

Rear;

3.0 meters (10 feet) from the property line,

Front;

9.14 meter (30 feet) from the front property line
facing the taxiway.

2. Where applicable, the applicant must obtain approval from NAV Canada. All the conditions and requirements set forth by NAV Canada, Transport Canada and/or other Government Agencies shall be adhered to.
3. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

- b) Development Permit Application 26-DP-08
Richard Harder; Ancillary Building (Detached Garage)
NW 21-110-19-W5M; High Level Rural (Willie Driedger's
Subdivision)**

MOTION 08-78 MOVED by Manfred Gross

That Development Permit 26-DP-08 on NW 21-110-19-W5M in the name of Richard Harder be refused.

CARRIED

- c) Development Permit Application 44-DP-08
Colin and Wendy Wolfe; Single Detached Dwelling and
Foundation for a Shop
SE 7-109-19-W5M; High Level Rural**

MOTION 08-79 MOVED by Ed Froese

That Development Permit 44-DP-08 on SE 7-109-19-W5M (Plan 0120996, Block 01, Lot 01) in the name of Colin and Wendy Wolfe be approved only for the Single Family Dwelling with conditions.

1. Minimum building setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
2. This shop is approved for personal purposes only and no commercial activity is permitted in this building. If the developer intends to use the ancillary building (shop) for commercial use, a new development permit must be received and approved prior to the commencement of a commercial use. Depending on the type of commercial activity a Land Use Bylaw Amendment may be required.

3. The shop shall be constructed and finished with similar construction materials as the residence and shall compliment the natural features of the site and the aesthetics of the neighbouring houses to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.
4. No ancillary buildings erected/or moved onto the site shall be used as a dwelling.
5. All sewage disposal systems to be in conformance with the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations.
6. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards and at the developers expense.
7. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

- e) **Development Permit Application 50-DP-08
Jaime and Greg Selwah; Home Based Business
(Computer Repairs)
Plan 3383ET, Block 3, Lot 2; Fort Vermilion**

MOTION 08-80 **MOVED** by Manfred Gross

That Development Permit 50-DP-08 on Plan 3383ET, Block 03, Lot 2 in the name of Jaime & Greg Selwah be approved with the following conditions:

1. The home based business shall not involve the storage of goods in the public view, a change in appearance of the residence or its accessory buildings.
2. An unlighted sign to identify the home based business may be placed in a window or exterior of the house and the sign shall not exceed 1.1 meters (12 square feet).
3. At all times, the privacy of the adjacent dwellings shall be preserved and the home based business shall not unduly

affect the surrounding residents by way of excessive lighting, noise, traffic, congestion, late visitations by clients, etcetera.

4. This Permit may be revoked at any time, if, in the opinion of the Development Authority, the Home Based business has become detrimental or otherwise incompatible with the amenities of the neighborhood.
5. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking shall be 300 square feet per vehicle owned plus an additional 500 square feet for off street parking. *“One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy 300 square feet.”*

CARRIED

- f) **Development Permit Application 55-DP-08
Heinrich Neufeld; Home Based Business (Upholstery)
Plan 032 5931, Block 4, Lot 5; La Crete**

MOTION 08-81 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That Development Permit 55-DP-08 on Plan 032 5931, Block 4, Lot 5 in the name of Heinrich Neufeld be approved with the following conditions:

1. This permit may be revoked at any time, if, in the opinion of the Development Authority, the home based business has become detrimental or otherwise incompatible with the amenities of the neighborhood.
2. The home based business is permitted to be operated out of the existing home only and the area for it shall not exceed an area of 200 square feet (18.58 square meters).
3. The home based business shall not involve the storage of goods in the public view, a change in appearance of the residence or its accessory buildings.
4. Shall not employ any employees who do not reside on-site.
5. An unlighted sign to identify the home based business may be placed on the exterior of the house and the sign shall not exceed 1.1 meters (12 square feet).
6. At all times, the privacy of the adjacent dwellings shall be preserved and the home based business shall not unduly offend the surrounding residents by way of excessive

lighting, noise, traffic, congestion, late visitations by clients, etcetera.

CARRIED

- g) Development Permit Application 58-DP-08
Frank Krahn; Fence with Variance
Plan 032 5174, Block 32, Lot 1; La Crete**

MOTION 08-82 MOVED by Ed Froese

That Development Permit 58-DP-08 on Plan 032 5174, Block 32, Lot 1 in the name of Frank Krahn be approved with the following conditions:

1. Approval of a fence with variance as noted in condition 2.
2. Maximum height of fence: Three (3) feet front side yard (first 15 feet of north and south boundary, six (6) feet for the remaining side (excluding the first 15 feet) and rear yards.
3. The fence must not encroach onto adjacent properties.
4. No construction or development is allowed on a utility right-of-way.

CARRIED

- h) Development Permit Application 59-DP-08
Tumi Stuffers o/a Furniture & More (Lloyd Janzen)
Retail Store
Plan 762 0383, Block 15, Lot 7; La Crete**

MOTION 08-83 MOVED by Manfred Gross

That Development Permit 59-DP-08 on Plan 762 0383, Block 15, Lot 7 in the name of Tumi Stuffers o/a Furniture & More be approved with the following conditions:

1. The municipality has assigned the following address to the noted property 9401-100 Street. You are required to display the address (9401) to be clearly legible from the street and be on a contrasting background. The minimum size of the characters shall be four inches in height.
2. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking standards are 1 space per 30 square meters of

building area, which in this case is 10 public parking stalls, 1 space per each full time employee and 1 space for every 2 part time employees. *“One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy 27.87 square meters (300 square feet).”*

CARRIED

- i) **Development Permit Application 60-DP-08
Jacob Neufeld; Mobile Home and Addition with Covered Deck
NE 6-106-15-W5M (Plan 062 7138, Block 3, Lot 11);
River Drive Developments**

MOTION 08-84 **MOVED** by Jack Eccles

That Development Permit 60-DP-08 on Plan 062 7138, Block 3, Lot 11 (NE 6-106-15-W5M) in the name of Jacob Neufeld be approved with the following conditions:

1. Minimum building setbacks: 38.1 meters (125 feet) front yard; 7.6 meters (25 feet) rear yard; 7.6 meters (25 feet) side yard, from the property lines.
2. The mobile home shall be placed lengthwise east and west.
3. The undercarriage of the mobile home and addition shall be screened from view by skirting or such other means satisfactory to the Development Authority.
4. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking shall be 300 square feet per vehicle owned plus an additional 500 square feet for off street parking. *“One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy a minimum of 300 square feet.”*
5. Building to be connected to the Municipal water and the cost of connection fee will be borne by the owner.
6. All sewage disposal systems to be in conformance with the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations.
7. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards and at the developer’s expense.

8. No construction or development is allowed on a utility right-of-way.
9. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

5. SUBDIVISION

- a) **Subdivision Proposal
Plan 912 3390, Block 15, Lots 33 and 34; La Crete
Henry Knelsen and Peter Harder**

The subdivision proposal was presented to the Municipal Planning Commission at the April 14th meeting where it was tabled for further information regarding the front yard parking provisions.

The Municipal Planning Commission stated that the parking does not meet the requirements of the Land Use Bylaw and that the current vehicle parking does not provide enough space to park vehicles one behind the other.

The Municipal Planning Commission stated that they are not in favor of using the public utility lane as a road due to all the existing utilities within the lane.

MOTION 08-85 MOVED by Beth Kappelar

That the subdivision proposal on Plan 912 3390, Block 15, Lots 33 and 34 in the name of Henry Knelsen and Peter Harder be received as information.

CARRIED

- b) **Subdivision Application 53-SUB-07
NW 17-105-14-W5M (Plan 952 0105, Block 1, Lot 1 and
Plan 002 2535, Block 1, Lot 2); La Crete Rural
Jacob and Margaret Unrau**

MOTION 08-86 MOVED by Ed Froese

That subdivision application 53-SUB-07 in the name of Jacob and Margaret Unrau on NW 17-105-14-W5M (Plan 952 0105, Block 1,

Lot 1 and Plan 002 2535, Block 1, Lot 2) be approved with the following conditions:

1. Applicant/developer shall enter into a Developer's Agreement with the Mackenzie County which shall contain, but is not limited to:
 - a. Prior to any development on the proposed subdivision, the developer shall obtain a development permit from the Municipality.
 - b. The boundary adjustment approval is subject to the approval and registration of the east boundary adjustment, of the parcel, to the west boundary of Teepee Creek.
 - c. Provision of access to the subdivision and the balance of the quarter in accordance with Mackenzie County standards at the developer's expense.
 - d. All sewage disposals shall conform to the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations. An approved private sewage permit is required for the private sewage disposal systems prior to the registration of the subdivision/boundary adjustment.
 - e. Dedication of the most westerly 5.18 metres of the proposed subdivision for future road widening.
 - f. Any outstanding property taxes are to be paid on the land proposed to be subdivided prior to registration.
 - g. Provision of utility right-of-way as required by Northern Lights Gas Co-op.
 - h. Subdivision must meet ATCO Electric's conditions as follows:
 - i. Provision of utility right-of-way as required by ATCO Electric on both the new and existing titles, extending to an alignment 7.5 meters on either side of the power line center line along the west boundary.
 - ii. The existing and any future power line route will require maintenance of a cleared right-of-way to ground level and to a minimum width of 6.1 meters on either side of the line route. Therefore

the owner should be aware of the potential for brushing along the existing and possible future power line alignment.

- iii. The landowner/developer is cautioned not to plant trees which may subsequently grow into the power line right-of-way.
- iv. Buildings or equipment should not be located within 5.0 meters of the power line.

CARRIED

- c) Subdivision Application 06-SUB-08
NW 17-105-14-W5M (Plan 952 0105, Block 1, Lot 1);
La Crete Rural
Jacob and Margaret Unrau**

MOTION 08-87 **MOVED** by Jack Eccles

That subdivision application 6-SUB-08 in the name of Jacob and Margaret Unrau on NW 17-105-14-W5M (Plan 952 0105, Block 1, Lot 1) be approved with the following conditions:

- 1. Applicant/developer shall enter into a Developer's Agreement with the Mackenzie County which shall contain, but is not limited to:
 - a. Prior to any development on the proposed subdivision, the developer shall obtain a development permit from the Municipality.
 - b. The boundary adjustment approval is subject to the approval and registration of Subdivision Number 53-SUB-07 for the amendment of the north property line.
 - c. Provision of access to the subdivision and the balance of the quarter in accordance with Mackenzie County standards at the developer's expense.
 - d. All sewage disposals shall conform to the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations. An approved private sewage permit is required for the private sewage disposal systems prior to the registration of the subdivision/boundary adjustment.

- e. Any outstanding property taxes are to be paid on the land proposed to be subdivided prior to registration.
- f. Provision of utility right-of-way as required by Northern Lights Gas Co-op.
- g. Subdivision must meet ATCO Electric's conditions as follows:
 - i. Provision of utility right-of-way as required by ATCO Electric on both the new and existing titles, extending to an alignment 7.5 meters on either side of the power line center line along the west boundary.
 - ii. The existing and any future power line route will require maintenance of a cleared right-of-way to ground level and to a minimum width of 6.1 meters on either side of the line route. Therefore the owner should be aware of the potential for brushing along the existing and possible future power line alignment.
 - iii. The landowner/developer is cautioned not to plant trees which may subsequently grow into the power line right-of-way.
 - iv. Buildings or equipment should not be located within 5.0 meters of the power line.

CARRIED

6. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- a) **Bylaw 675/08 LUB Amendment
Part of SW 6-110-13-W5M; Fort Vermilion Rural
Leroy Allenbrand**

MOTION 08-88 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That the Municipal Planning Commissions recommendation to Council be for the refusal of Bylaw 675/08 being the rezoning of Part of SW 6-110-13-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Direct

Control District 2 "DC2" to accommodate a liquor store and a convenience store.

CARRIED

b) Municipal Reserve Provision for Urban Subdivisions

The Municipal Planning Commission discussed how the County should go about obtaining Municipal Reserve from developers for Urban Subdivisions.

The Municipal Planning Commission stated that Municipal Reserve should be calculated at current market value or appraised value not at farm value. Farm value is a minor amount which contributes very little to the cost of constructing a park.

The Municipal Planning Commission stated that it should be up to the County to decide where a developer should provide Municipal Reserve; it should not be up to the developer. Furthermore, the County should determine what zones are created on an individual piece of land within the hamlet and if a landowner wanted to develop the land he would need to create lots pertaining to that particular zone.

MOTION 08-89 MOVED by Manfred Gross

That a recommendation be made to Council for Municipal Reserve to be assessed at current market value or appraised value.

CARRIED

**c) Development Statistics Report
January to March Comparison (2006 – 2008)**

The Development Statistics Report - January to March Comparison (2006 – 2008) was reviewed.

d) Action List

The Action List of April 14, 2008 was reviewed.

7. **IN CAMERA**

There were no In Camera items to discuss.

8. **NEXT MEETING DATES**

Municipal Planning Commission meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

- ❖ Thursday, May 8, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in La Crete
- ❖ Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in Fort Vermilion

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 08-90 **MOVED** by Ed Froese

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this 8th day of May 2008.

**Mackenzie County
Municipal Planning Commission Meeting**

**North Point Center (County Office)
La Crete, Alberta**

Thursday, May 8, 2008 @ 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT

Peter Braun	Chair, Councillor
Jack Eccles	Vice – Chair, MPC Member
Ed Froese	Councillor
Manfred Gross	MPC Member
Beth Kappelar	MPC Member
Ryan Becker	Director of Planning and Emergency Services
Marion Krahn	Development Officer
Vicky Krahn	Planning Administrative Support

1. CALL TO ORDER

Peter Braun called the meeting to order at 10: 06 a.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 08-91 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 4h) Development Permit Application 83-DP-08
Willie Enns; Garden Suite – Bunk House (Temporary)
Plan 982 4619, Block 1, Lot 1; La Crete
- 4i) Development Permit Application 84-DP-08
Richard Hackett; Secondary Suite (Temporary Guest House)
Plan 882 1687, Block 13, Lot 3; Zama
- 5e) Subdivision Application 07-SUB-08
NE 5-106-14-W5M; Airport Road Area
Ken Wieler
- 6b) Alberta Sustainable Resource Development Land Dispersal

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION 08-92 **MOVED** by Manfred Gross

That the minutes of the April 24, 2008 Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. DEVELOPMENT

- a) **Development Permit Application 62-DP-08
Fort Vermilion School Division; Portable Classrooms (Two)
Plan 3279KS, Lot 1; Fort Vermilion**

MOTION 08-93 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That Development Permit 62-DP-08 on Plan 3279KS, Lot 1 in the name of Fort Vermilion School Division be approved with the following conditions:

1. Minimum structure setbacks: 7.6 meters (25 feet) front yard; 7.6 meters (25 feet) rear yard; 3.0 meters (10 feet) interior side yard; 7.6 meters (25 feet) exterior side yard, from the property lines.
2. All portable classrooms shall conform to the Alberta Building Code.
3. The undercarriage of the portable classrooms shall be screened from view by skirting or such other means satisfactory to the Development Authority.
4. The portable classroom units shall be constructed and finished with similar construction materials as the St. Mary's Elementary School and shall compliment the natural features of the site. This condition must be completed within one year after occupancy.
5. Building to be connected to the Municipal water and sewer system and the cost of connection fees will be borne by the owner where applicable.

6. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighboring properties.

CARRIED

- b) Development Permit Application 66-DP-08
Smith Brothers; Natural Resources Extraction Industry
(Gravel Pit)
NE 11-109-12-W5M; Fort Vermilion Rural**

MOTION 08-94 MOVED by Manfred Gross

That Development Permit 66-DP-08 on NE 11-109-12-W5M in the name of Smith Brothers be approved with the following conditions:

1. Developer shall obtain all applicable Provincial approvals prior to commencing development. Copies of all approvals shall be submitted to Mackenzie County.
2. The applicant shall be responsible for the maintenance of all hauling and access roads.
3. A variance is granted to allow a Natural Resources Extraction Industry (Gravel pit) on NE 11-109-12-W5M in an Agricultural District 1 zone.
4. Minimum setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
5. The site, when depleted, must be reclaimed to Alberta Environmental Protection standards.
6. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards and at the developers expense.
7. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

**c) Development Permit Application 68-DP-08
Clarity Glass Systems; Tradesman's Business (Glass Shop)
and RV Storage
Part of NW 25-104-15-W5M; Buffalo Head Prairie**

MOTION 08-95 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That Development Permit 68-DP-08 on Part of NW 25-104-15-W5M in the name of Clarity Glass Systems be approved with the following conditions:

1. The total site area (lot), including the RV storage area, shall have a positive surface drainage.
2. A variance of the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw section 7.3, subsection B is hereby granted to allow RV storage.
3. Obtain written approval from Alberta Transportation regarding the proposed development prior to commencement of the development.
4. All conditions and requirements by Alberta Transportation are to be met to their specifications and standards.
5. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access contact Alberta Transportation at 780-624-6280. Access to be constructed to Alberta Transportation standards at the expense of the developer.
6. If a sign is placed on the property the sign shall be located a minimum of:
 - a. 200 meters from regulatory signs
 - b. 3 meters (9 feet) from the outer edge of the road or not less than 1.5 meters from the property line if on private property.
7. The sign shall be a minimum of 1.5 meters to a maximum of 2.5 meters in height above the shoulder of the road.

CARRIED

**d) Development Permit Application 69-DP-08
William Friesen (Buffalo Head Prairie Mennonite School);
Public Use (School Addition)
SE 15-104-17-W5M (Plan 052 0688, Block 1, Lot 4);
Tompkins Landing Area**

MOTION 08-96 MOVED by Jack Eccles

That Development Permit 69-DP-08 on SE 15-104-17-W5M (Plan 052 0688, Block 1, Lot 4) in the name of William Friesen (Buffalo Head Prairie Mennonite School) be approved with the following conditions:

1. Minimum building setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
2. The architecture, construction materials and appearance of the school addition shall be to accepted standards and shall compliment the natural features and character of the site to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.
3. All sewage disposal systems to be in conformance with the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations. This requirement also applies to an outdoor privy which requires a private sewage permit.
4. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking standards are 1 stall per 20 students. Therefore you are required to provide 6 parking spaces. *"One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy 300 square feet."* Adequate parking must be provided to accommodate school staff, bussing and events.
5. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards at the developer's expense.
6. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

**e) Development Permit Application 70-DP-08
1092123 AB Ltd; 6 RV Parking Stalls - Temporary
Plan 3969TR, Block 4, Lot 1; La Crete**

MOTION 08-97 **MOVED** by Jack Eccles

That Development Permit 70-DP-08 on Plan 3969 TR, Block 4, Lot 1 in the name of 1092123 AB Ltd., be approved with the following conditions:

1. This permit is valid until November 1, 2008.
2. Minimum RV stall setbacks: 9.1 meters (30 feet) from 101st Avenue and 101st Street; 3.0 meters (10 feet) rear yard; 1.5 meters (5 feet) side yard (west).
3. The thoroughfare and the RV stalls shall be adequately graveled for dust control purposes.
4. A sign shall be posted, adjacent to the 101st Avenue sidewalk, clearly indicating that the RV stalls are for the purpose of the La Crete Motel overflow only.
5. The appearance of the RV stalls shall be to accepted standards and shall compliment the natural features and character of the site to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.
6. This permit may be revoked at any time if, in the opinion of the Development Authority, the proposed development has become detrimental or otherwise incompatible with the amenities of the neighbourhood.
7. The Municipality has assigned the following address to the noted property 10101 –101st Avenue. You are required to display the address (10101) to be clearly legible from the street and be on a contrasting background. The minimum size of the characters shall be four inches in height.
8. The developer must provide a secure water metering enclosure to the satisfaction of the County and the cost will be borne by the developer.
9. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking shall be 300 square feet per vehicle owned plus an additional 500 square feet for off street parking. *“One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy a minimum of 300 square feet.”* The driveway shall be 10

meters (32.8 feet) from the intersection corner of the property.

10. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighboring properties.

CARRIED

- f) **Development Permit Application 73-DP-08
Tumi Stuffers; Retail (Farmers Market)
Plan 762 0383, Block 15, Lot 7 and Plan 762 0383, Lot OT;
La Crete**

MOTION 08-98 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That Development Permit 73-DP-08 on Plan 762 0383, Block 15, Lot 7 and Plan 762 0383, Lot OT in the name of Tumi Stuffers, be approved with the following conditions:

1. This permit may be revoked at any time, if, in the opinion of the Development Authority, the farmers market has become detrimental or otherwise incompatible with the amenities of the neighborhood.
2. Mackenzie County shall not be held liable for any concerns, issues or damages related to the farmers market or any part (s) thereof resulting from any work being done on the easement and/or County lands either by the County or any contractors hired by the County.
3. The farmers market is approved for local residents only. A Hawkers and Peddlers Licence is required for sales of merchandise by any individuals who do not reside within Mackenzie County boundaries.
4. The farmers market stalls shall be temporary, removed after business is closed for the day and no construction is permitted.
5. The appearance of farmers market shall be to accepted standards and shall compliment the natural features and character of the site to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.
6. Minimum street setbacks are: 9.14 meters (30 feet) from 100th Street and 94th Avenue. Minimum setbacks for interior and rear yards are: 5 feet (1.5 meters) north side yard and 2.44 meters (8 feet) rear (east) yard, from the property lines.

7. Comply with applicable legislation under the Public Health Act and obtain the appropriate approvals prior to commencement of development. Contact the Health Inspector at 926-7000.
8. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking standards are 1 space per 30 square meters of building area, which in this case is 10 public parking stalls, 1 space per each full time employee and 1 space for every 2 part time employees. *"One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy 27.87 square meters (300 square feet)."*

CARRIED

- g) Development Permit Application 78-DP-08
Ken Derksen; Cabin
NW 26-104-17-W5M; Tompkins Landing Area**

MOTION 08-99 **MOVED** by Jack Eccles

That Development Permit 78-DP-08 on NW 26-104-17-W5M in the name of Ken Derksen be approved with the following conditions:

1. Minimum building setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
2. The architecture, construction materials and appearance of buildings and other structures shall be to accepted standards.
3. All sewage disposal systems to be in conformance with the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations. This requirement also applies to an outdoor privy which requires a private sewage permit.
4. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards and at the developers expense.

5. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

- h) Development Permit Application 83-DP-08
Willie Enns; Garden Suite – Bunk House (Temporary)
Plan 982 4619, Block 1, Lot 1; La Crete**

MOTION 08-100 MOVED by Ed Froese

That Development Permit 83-DP-08 on Plan 982 4619, Block 1, Lot 1 in the name of Willie Enns be approved with the following conditions:

1. Minimum building setbacks: 41.15 meters (135 feet) from any road allowances and 15.24 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
2. Permit expires October 1, 2008.
3. The architecture, construction materials and appearance of garden suite (bunkhouse) shall be to accepted standards.
4. All sewage disposal systems to be in conformance with the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations.
5. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards at the developers expense.
6. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

**i) Development Permit Application 84-DP-08
Richard Hackett; Secondary Suite (Temporary Guest House)
Plan 882 1687, Block 13, Lot 3; Zama**

MOTION 08-101 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That Development Permit 84-DP-08 on Plan 882 1687, Block 13, Lot 3 in the name of Richard Hackett be approved with the following conditions:

1. A variance is hereby given to allow a Secondary Suite within a Hamlet Residential District 2 "HR2" zone.
2. *This permit is for a temporary two year period and shall expire on May 8, 2010. Should the ATCO Trailer unit remain on location an additional Development Permit will be required.*
3. The trailer unit shall be joined onto the principal dwelling by means of a connecting breezeway in compliance with Alberta Safety Codes.
4. Minimum building setbacks: 25 feet (7.6 meters) front yard; 5 feet (2.2 meters) side and 8 feet (2.4 meters) rear yard from the property lines.
5. The architecture, construction materials and appearance of ancillary buildings and other structures shall compliment the natural features and character of the site to the satisfaction of the Development Officer.
6. Provide adequate off street parking as follows: The minimum parking shall be 300 square feet per vehicle owned plus an additional 500 square feet for off street parking. *"One parking space, including the driveway area, shall occupy 300 square feet."*
7. PRIOR to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access, complete a Request for Access form by contacting the Road/Maintenance Department for Mackenzie County at 928-3983. Access to be constructed to Mackenzie County standards and at the developers expense.
8. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affect the neighbouring properties.

CARRIED

5. SUBDIVISION

- a) **Subdivision Application 01MK068
NW 31-109-18-W5M; High Level Rural
Jake and Suzanne Wolfe**

MOTION 08-102 MOVED by Jack Eccles

That a one year time extension for 01MK068 on NW 31-109-18-W5M in the name of Jake and Suzanne Wolfe be granted to expire April 16, 2009.

CARRIED

- b) **Subdivision Application 13-SUB-07
NW 23-105-15-W5M; West La Crete
Jason Janzen**

MOTION 08-103 MOVED by Ed Froese

That a time extension be granted for 13-SUB-07 on NW 23-105-15-W5M in the name of Jason Janzen to expire June 30, 2008.

CARRIED

- c) **Subdivision Application 17-SUB-07
SE 16-110-19-W5M; High Level Rural
Fox Haven Golf Course**

MOTION 08-104 MOVED by Beth

That a one year time extension for 17-SUB-07 on SE 16-110-19-W5M in the name of Fox Haven Golf Course be granted to expire September 1, 2009. Furthermore, that no further time extensions be allowed for this application.

CARRIED

- d) **Subdivision Proposal
SE 23-104-15-W5M; Buffalo Head Prairie
Simon Froese**

A subdivision proposal was received by the Planning Department to separate two lots out of an agricultural quarter section adjacent to

the Buffalo Head Prairie School. The proposed parcels are lands which have been fragmented from the balance of the quarter section by the 2007 school access amendment which was completed by Alberta Transportation in conjunction with the County.

This quarter section has two subdivisions taken out of it, one residential and another for the school. The school subdivision is not taken into consideration when considering the maximum number of subdivisions allowed on a quarter section as this clause refers to residential subdivisions only. In accordance with the Land Use Bylaw the developer would be allowed to subdivide one more parcel out of this quarter. Rezoning the lands to Rural County Residential would allow the developer to subdivide additional lots out of the quarter, however the minimum number of lots in these zoning districts is ten. Rezoning the lands is not an option for the applicant due to the moratorium placed on all Rural County Residential development.

The proposed parcels are approximately eleven acres and five acres in size.

Administration and the Municipal Planning Commission stated that an eleven acre parcel is big enough to farm.

Administration is concerned that in allowing an eleven acre parcel a subdivision application will come forth in the future requesting that this land be divided into country residential lots where infrastructure and access will need to be considered.

Administration stated that another option to explore would be to sell the eleven acre piece to the Buffalo Head Prairie School. The Municipal Planning Commission was not in favor of pursuing this option.

The County will need to consult Alberta Transportation when considering a subdivision on this quarter as it is adjacent to Highway 697.

The Municipal Planning Commission questioned if Mr. Froese would prefer one parcel versus the other. Mr. Froese should be invited to a Municipal Planning Commission meeting to provide input to the subdivision proposal and state which parcel of land he would prefer.

MOTION 08-105 MOVED by Beth Kappelar

That the subdivision proposal on SE 23-104-15-W5M in the name of Simon Froese be tabled until the next Municipal Planning Commission in order for the developer to be present to provide input.

CARRIED

- e) **Subdivision Application 07-SUB-08
NE 5-106-14-W5M; Airport Road Area
Ken Wieler**

MOTION 08-106 MOVED by Ed Froese

That subdivision application 07-SUB-08 in the name of Ken Wieler on NE 5-106-14-W5M be approved with the following conditions:

1. This approval is for a single lot subdivision, all of that northeast portion of land fragmented by the Wilson Prairie Drainage ditch, being approximately 15.0 acres (6.07 hectares) in size.
2. Applicant/developer shall enter into a Developer's Agreement with the Mackenzie County which shall contain, but is not limited to:
 - a. Prior to any development on the proposed subdivision, the developer shall obtain a development permit from the Municipality.
 - b. Provision of access to the subdivision and the balance of the quarter in accordance with Mackenzie County standards at the developer's expense. Mackenzie County will provide the culvert or culverts required for the access to the balance of the quarter, the location thereof as required by the County. The developer is responsible for the construction and completion of the access. The access to the balance of the quarter shall in no way restrict drainage ditch flow or cause soil erosion.
 - c. All sewage disposals shall conform to the Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations.

- d. Dedication of the most easterly 5.18 meters of the proposed subdivision for future road widening.
- e. Any outstanding property taxes are to be paid on the land proposed to be subdivided prior to registration.
- f. Subdivision must meet ATCO Electric's conditions as follows:
 - I. Any existing power line easements and/or utility right-of-ways must remain in place.
 - II. No driveways or approaches may be installed under the power line without first obtaining a Crossing Agreement from ATCO Electric.
 - III. Costs associated with changes required to correct any line clearance problems as a result of the lot development shall be borne by the developer.
 - IV. Costs related to repair or relocation of existing electric facilities as a result of the lot development shall be borne by the developer.
 - V. No work should proceed under the power line unless ATCO Electric first approves of it in writing.
 - VI. There must be 9 meters clearance from all buildings, trees, and materials to the power line. The existing and any future power line route will require maintenance of a cleared right-of-way to ground level and to a minimum width of 7 meters on either side of the line route. Therefore the owner should be aware of the potential for brushing along the existing and possible future power line alignment.

CARRIED

6. **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

a) **Action List**

The Action List of April 24, 2008 was reviewed.

b) **Alberta Sustainable Resource Development Land Proposal**

The Planning Department received documentation from Alberta Sustainable Resource Development outlining an application for dispersal of lands situated in the La Crete Community Forest located west of the Greenwood Acres subdivision and La Crete Golf Course on the East ½ -14-106-15-W5M. The intended use the land is for a church, school and cemetery.

The proposed development is in close proximity to the La Crete Lagoon and the La Crete East Drainage Ditch.

The Municipal Planning Commission stated that allowing development on the proposed land is not favorable as safety of a development near the lagoon and drainage ditch needs to be considered. Furthermore, the Municipal Planning Commission refused another development next to the same drainage ditch in another location for safety reasons. Another matter to consider is the increase in traffic along Range Road 15-1 and who would be responsible for upgrading and maintaining the road. Previous developers adjacent to this location needed to upgrade the intersection as well as provide permanent dust control.

Administration stated that they are not in favor of allowing development in the La Crete Community Forest. The forest should remain for the benefit of the entire community.

MOTION 08-107 **MOVED** by Beth Kappelar

That a letter be sent to Alberta Sustainable Resource Development stating that Mackenzie County is not in favor of the land dispersal on the E ½ of 14-106-15-W5M. Furthermore, the letter should state that the land should remain as a community forest.

CARRIED

7. **IN CAMERA**

There were no In Camera items to discuss.

8. **NEXT MEETING DATES**

Municipal Planning Commission meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

- ❖ Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in Fort Vermilion
- ❖ Thursday, June 5, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in La Crete

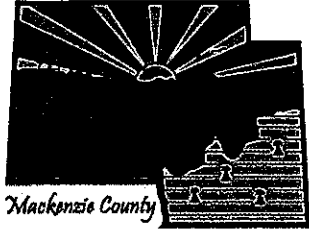
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 08-108 **MOVED** by Ed Froese

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this 20th day of May 2008.



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Environmental Services
Title:	Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes February 27, 2008

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The adopted minutes of the February 27, 2008 and Recreation Committee meetings are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting minutes of February 27, 2008 be received for information.

Author: C. Friesen

Review Date: _____

CAO

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

February 27, 2008
12:00 p.m.

Town Office
High Level, Alberta

MINUTES

PRESENT: Peter Braun Councillor
John W Driedger Councillor
Lisa Wardley Councillor
Dicky Driedger Councillor

ALSO PRESENT: John Klassen Director of Environmental Services
MaryJane Driedger Public Works Administrative Officer
Connie Friesen Public Works Administrative Officer
Ryan Becker Director of Planning (arrived at 1:18pm)

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Lisa Wardley called the meeting to order at 12:35pm

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 08-009 MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the agenda for February 27, 2008 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES: 3. a) Adoption of the January 10, 2008 minutes

MOTION 08-010 MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the minutes of the January 10, 2008 Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

OPERATIONAL SERVICES: 4. a) Machesis Lake

The committee reviewed the proposed Machesis Lake agreement. The committee recommends a 12 month notice time for terminating the agreement. The committee also has concerns with not being able to remove the County's improvements in case the agreement is terminated.

Delegation Ray Gibson 2:00pm

Ray mentioned that Provincial Parks would be negotiable with items that got added to the campground but items that are replaced Provincial Parks would most likely want to keep at the site. Detailed requests must be prepared for any items added or replaced at the campground and presented to Provincial Parks for approval. The County must also document which items they would want removed should the agreement be terminated.

Ray mentioned that he did not foresee a problem changing the agreement to a 12 month terminating timeframe. Lisa stated the County does not have an out clause and would like to see that in the agreement and Ray did not see that being an issue to add to the agreement. Although Ray would have to check with lawyers in regards to the "without cause" issue in the agreement.

John asked Ray who the County would need to contact if the County were to install floating islands in the lake. Ray mentioned that the contact would be Alberta Fisheries and Alberta Environment.

Ray will make the requested changes in the agreement and will send it to John within in a month.

b) Hutch Lake

A letter is currently being drafted from Council to the Minister of Recreation requesting that Hutch Lake be turned back into a provincial park.

A survey was done by the Town of High Level back when they were pursuing the operation of Hutch Lake and it was rejected. Provincial Parks at that time decided that they would get the survey done which also did not get approved. At this point Ray had no information on the reason that the survey done by Provincial Parks was not accepted. The Town of High Level at that time decided to walk away and Provincial Parks operated Hutch Lake for two years with minimal service. Ray said he would look into the reasons for the rejection of the survey. The site has since been deregulated and turned over to SRD. The day use area is under the direction of Alberta Environment.

Lisa Wardley asked Ray if there was an agreement with SRD to operate it for the next year and Ray said that there was no agreement in place.

Before the site is completely shut down Lisa Wardley requested for Provincial Parks to contact the County. Ray agreed to do so.

Ray left at 2:55pm

c) Atlas Campground – background information

Lisa Wardley mentioned the possibility of preparing an operating agreement for Atlas Campground and tendering it out for non-profit groups to apply for. Peter Braun suggested that administration prepare an operating agreement. John replied that a non-profit group brought this issue forward and suggested that any group interested in the Atlas Campground prepare an operating agreement for the County to review. John will request the non-profit group prepare a proposal and area structure plan and bring it forth at the next Parks & Recreation Committee meeting.

The Tompkins Campground was asked to prepare an operators agreement themselves and bring it back to the County for their review.

MOTION 08-011

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Parks and Recreation Committee recommend to Council that Mackenzie County pursue securing the lease and associated survey costs for the Atlas Recreation Area and a five year agreement with a local non-profit group subject to a detailed operator's agreement with funding coming from the Parks and Recreation budget.

CARRIED

d) Bridge Campground

Councillor Newman was going to discuss the issue of the campground to the Fort Vermilion Recreation Board as per the last meeting.

MOTION 08-012

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Bridge Campground be tabled to the next meeting for more information.

CARRIED

e) Floating Islands

John updated the committee on what the floating islands do and how they help to clean up lakes and ponds. Lisa Wardley suggested researching for grant money to go towards such a project. John also suggested carp which are fish that help clean lakes and ponds. Lisa Wardley mentioned a bio haven product that they used at the Fish Pond in Zama that cleans up rotting vegetation.

MOTION 08-013

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That administration look into grant funding for floating islands, as well as research the bio haven product from Canadian Pond and the costs of carp to clean up Tourangeau Lake and Machesis Lake.

CARRIED

f) FRIAA Dues

MOTION 08-014

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That the FRIAA Dues be tabled to the next meeting.

CARRIED

g) Proposed Municipal Parks Bylaw 506/05

MOTION 08-015

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Proposed Municipal Parks Bylaw 506/05 be tabled to the next meeting.

CARRIED

h) 2008 Budget Review

MOTION 08-016

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 2008 Budget Review be tabled to the next meeting.

CARRIED

**ADDITIONAL
ITEMS:**

5. a) No added items.

NEXT MEETING

DATE:

6. a) **Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion**

The next Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2008 at 12:00pm at Fort Vermilion Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT:

7. a) **Adjournment**

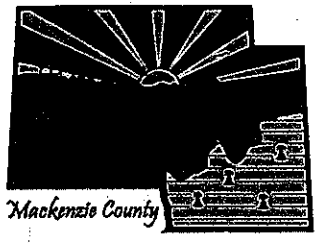
MOTION 08-017

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:58pm.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this _____ day of _____, 2008.



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Environmental Services
Title:	Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes March 26, 2008

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The adopted minutes of the March 26, 2008 and Recreation Committee meetings are attached.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

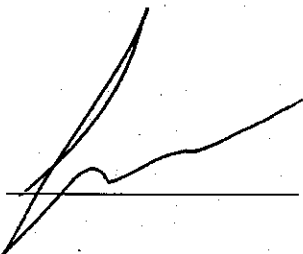
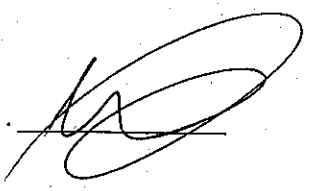
N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting minutes of March 26, 2008 be received for information.

Author: C. Friesen Review Date:  CAO: 

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**March 26, 2008
12:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Peter Braun Councilor
 Lisa Wardley Councilor
 John W. Driedger Councilor

ALSO PRESENT: John Klassen Director of Environmental Services
 Mary Jane Driedger Public Works Administrative Officer

ABSENT: Dicky Driedger Councilor
 Bill Kostiw CAO

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Councilor Wardley called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 08-018 MOVED by Councilor J. Driedger

That the agenda for March 26, 2008 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES: 3. a) Adoption of the February 27, 2008 Minutes

MOTION 08-019 MOVED by Councilor P. Braun

That the minutes of the February 27, 2008 Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS: 4. a) Bridge Campground

The Fort Vermilion Recreation Board's lease for the Bridge Campground expires in 2016. Currently the recreation board operates the campground with the County supplying occasional labour. Councilor Wardley suggested putting in a part time

caretaker to monitor the campground usage for 1 season and than further discuss the operation of the campground. John Klassen suggested that a representative from the recreation board could be invited to the next parks and recreation committee meeting to discuss the campground. Prior to inviting the recreation board to the next meeting, the committee will discuss the Bridge campground with the Fort Vermilion councilor to get his input.

b) Atlas Campground

At the last council meeting a motion was made for the County to conduct a survey and pursue a lease for a potential campground at Atlas. Councilor Braun suggested that we get input from local residents on the potential location of the Atlas Campground.

John Klassen and Councilor Braun will meet with local residents interested in operating the Atlas campground to discuss options for the campground.

Once a plan has been drafted by a local group, it is to be reviewed by the parks and recreation committee and then presented to Council for approval.

c) Machesis Lake Operations Agreement

The changes agreed to by the province for the Machesis Lake operations agreement as suggested by the committee were discussed.

MOTION 08-020

MOVED by Councilor Braun

That the amended Machesis Lake Operations Agreement be approved.

CARRIED

d) FRIAA Dues (Floating Islands)

The FRIAA dues are open to recreational opportunities or water opportunities. Maximum funding available is the total of what the local company that is supporting the project has contributed into the program over the last 36 months.

Councilor Wardley suggested that a package be compiled on what the cost would be to completely clean Tourangeau Lake with all 3 options for cleaning the lake: floating islands, carp, and the

biohaven product. This would be used to apply for funding under the FRIAA dues and Green grants programs.

- e) Green Grants (Floating Islands)**
- f) Other Products to Clean up Lakes**
 - i. Bio-Haven Product**
Review of the bio haven product.
 - ii. Carp**
Review of the carp.

g) Proposed Municipal Parks Bylaw 506/05

The proposed municipal parks bylaw was reviewed. Councilor Wardley raised a concern regarding sewage disposal. The committee would like to implement the seasonal camping stalls on a trial basis of 3 years. The proposed bylaw is to be amended with the following changes:

Section 5

- amend Section 5.1b – "...and that annual fees, deposit fees, and complete application are paid and submitted by March 1 of each year."
- amend section 5.4 – "...prior approval by the Parks and Recreation Committee"
- Amend section 5.5 – "The maximum allowable combination of motorized vehicles, cabin/RV units, and towed equipment shall not exceed three (3), of which not more than two (2) shall be motorized vehicles."
- Amend 5.6 – "A water/wastewater disposal plan must be submitted with the application to be approved at the discretion of the parks and recreation committee."
- addition of section 5.9 – All permitted cabins/RV's must be removed by September 30 annually
- All reference to "cabins" to be changed to "cabins/RV's"

Section 9

- 9.1 (a) to read as follows: "Animals must remain on a leash at all times"
- 9.1 (b) to read as follows: "Animal waste is the responsibility of the owner and must be cleaned up immediately upon release."

Schedule A

- Remove Machesis from day use fees
- Extend the season from May 1 to September 30
- Remove monthly fee for overnight camping stalls
- Remove monthly fee for seasonal camping stalls
- Seasonal camping fee of \$1500

- Addition of a damage deposit of \$250 for seasonal camping stalls

MOTION 08-021

MOVED by Councilor Braun

That the revised municipal parks bylaw be circulated for final approval by the Parks and Recreation Committee and presented for Council approval at the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

h) 2008 Budget Review

Signage

All campgrounds/parks require signage identifying the areas and ownership as well as signage identifying rules and regulations. Signage needs to be brought forward as a separate capital budget item for Council approval.

Requirements at the parks and campgrounds

Tompkins Landing

May be taken over by a local group. Hold off on doing anything at this time.

Buffalo Head Tower

Signage
Fire Pits

Tourangeau Lake

Replacement of public outhouses
Bear Bins
Signage
Fire Pits

Wadlin Lake

Current outhouse to be replaced (under the municipal sponsorship program grant)
Fire pits
Signage
RV Dump – possibly for 2009

LC Hill Park

Signage

Reinland Park

Signage

Fire Pits
Repair current washrooms

108th Street Park
Signage

Machesis Lake
Signage
Firepits
Playground equipment - if budget allows
RV Dump – possibly for 2009

Bridge Campground
On hold until committee has met with Rec board

FV Pioneer Park
Signage

FV Arena Park
Should be identified under recreation board policy

D.A. Thomas Park
Signage
Replace picnic tables
Remove fence

Mackenzie Housing Park
Signage

Hutch Lake Campground
On hold

Zama Park
Fencing along the road
Signage

The ADM040 Campgrounds and Playgrounds policy is to be brought to the next meeting for review.

Bring back the complete parks operating and capital budgets for the next parks and recreation committee meeting.

**ADDITIONAL
ITEMS:**

5. **There were no additional items.**

**NEXT MEETING
DATE:**

6. a) **Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion**

The next Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting is scheduled for May 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Fort Vermilion Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT:

7. a) **Adjournment**

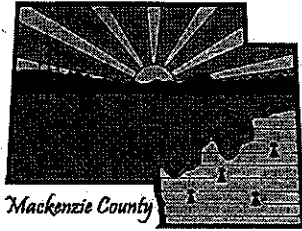
MOTION 08-022

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting be adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this ____ day of _____ 2008.



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Ryan Becker, Director of Planning and Emergency Services
Title:	PUBLIC HEARING Bylaw 673/08 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3"

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 6673/08, for the rezoning of Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 (HR1) to Hamlet Residential District 3 (HR3), received first reading at the May 6th, 2008 Council meeting.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The applicant indicated that he feels that this land would be ideal for this type of development for the following reasons:

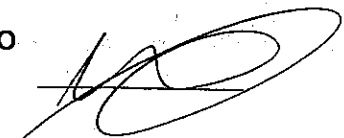
- ❖ The lot is large enough to accommodate the required parking
- ❖ The location is between the schools
- ❖ Very few lots of this zoning exist within the Hamlet and those in existence are not available for development
- ❖ High density housing located near schools and the business area

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

Author: Marion Krahn,
Development Officer

Reviewed by: _____

CAO 

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION 1:

That second reading be given to Bylaw 673/08, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3" in the Hamlet of La Crete.

MOTION 2:

That third reading be given to Bylaw 673/08, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3" in the Hamlet of La Crete.

Author: Marion Krahn,
Development Officer

Reviewed by: _____

CAO _____

Mackenzie County

PUBLIC HEARING FOR LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT

BYLAW _____

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:

7.16 HAMLET RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT 1 “HR1”

The general purpose of this district is to permit residential uses in hamlets.

A. PERMITTED USES

- (1) Ancillary buildings or use.
- (2) Dwelling - Single detached.
- (3) Park
- (4) Public use

B. DISCRETIONARY USES

- (1) Bed and breakfast.
- (2) Dwelling - Duplex.
- (3) Home based business.
- (4) Mobile home.
- (5) Modular home.

D. MINIMUM LOT WIDTH

22 metres (72 feet)

E. MINIMUM LOT DEPTH

33.5 metres (110 feet)

F. FRONT YARD SETBACK

7.6 metres (25 feet) or as required by the Development Authority.

G. MINIMUM SIDE YARD SETBACK

Side yards shall not be less than 1.2 metres (5 feet). In the case of a corner site the exterior side yard shall not be less than 3.0 metres (15 feet).

H. MINIMUM REAR YARD SETBACK

2.4 metres (8 feet). Setbacks may be reduced to 1.52 metres (5 feet) when using sub-surface utilities.

I. THE DESIGN, CHARACTER AND APPEARANCE OF BUILDINGS

- (1) The architecture, construction materials and appearance of

buildings and other structures shall be to accepted standards and shall compliment the natural features and character of the site to the satisfaction of the Development Officer.

J. ON-SITE PARKING

In accordance to Section 4.28 of this Bylaw.

K. LANDSCAPING

In accordance to Section 4.23 of this Bylaw.

7.20 HAMLET RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT 3 “HR3”

The general purpose of this district is to permit medium and high-density residential development in established hamlets.

A. PERMITTED USES

- (1) Ancillary building or use
- (2) Park

B. DISCRETIONARY USES

- (1) Boarding or rooming house
- (2) Dwelling - Apartment
- (3) Dwelling - Group home
- (4) Dwelling - Multiple
- (5) Dwelling - Row
- (6) Home based business
- (7) Public use

C. MINIMUM LOT WIDTH

22 metres (72 feet).

D. MINIMUM LOT DEPTH

33.5 metres (110 feet).

E. FRONT YARD SETBACK

7.6 metres (25 feet) or as required by the Development Officer.

F. MINIMUM REAR YARD SETBACK

7.6 metres (25 feet) or minimum required for on-site parking.

G. MINIMUM SIDE YARD SETBACK

7.6 metres (25 feet), or as required by Development Officer.

H. MINIMUM INTERIOR SIDE YARD SETBACK

4.6 metres (15 feet), or as required by Development Officer.

I. OTHER

Notwithstanding the above, any apartment projects shall provide for:

- (1) The provision and access to garbage storage.

- (2) Lighting between dwelling units
- (3) Privacy for dwelling units in and adjacent to the development.
- (4) Orientation of buildings and general site appearance.
- (5) Safe pedestrian access to and from the public sidewalk fronting the building.
- (6) Parking areas adjacent to streets must be paved.

J. THE DESIGN, CHARACTER AND APPEARANCE OF BUILDINGS

Buildings must be of new construction. The architecture, construction materials and appearance of buildings and other structures shall be to accepted standards and shall compliment the natural features and character of the site to the satisfaction of the Development Officer.

K. ON-SITE PARKING

In accordance to Section 4.28 of this Bylaw.

L. LANDSCAPING

In accordance to Section 4.23 of this Bylaw.

BYLAW NO. 673/08

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

**TO AMEND THE
MACKENZIE COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW**

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

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has a General Municipal Plan adopted in 1995, and

WHEREAS, the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, has deemed it desirable to amend the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw to accommodate multiple family dwellings.

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

1. That the land use designation of the subject parcel known as Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 be rezoned from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3", as outlined in Schedule "A".

First Reading given on the _____ day of _____, 2008.

Greg Newman, Reeve

Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

Second Reading given on the _____ day of _____, 2008.

Greg Newman, Reeve

Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

Third Reading and Assent given on the _____ day of _____, 2008.

Greg Newman, Reeve

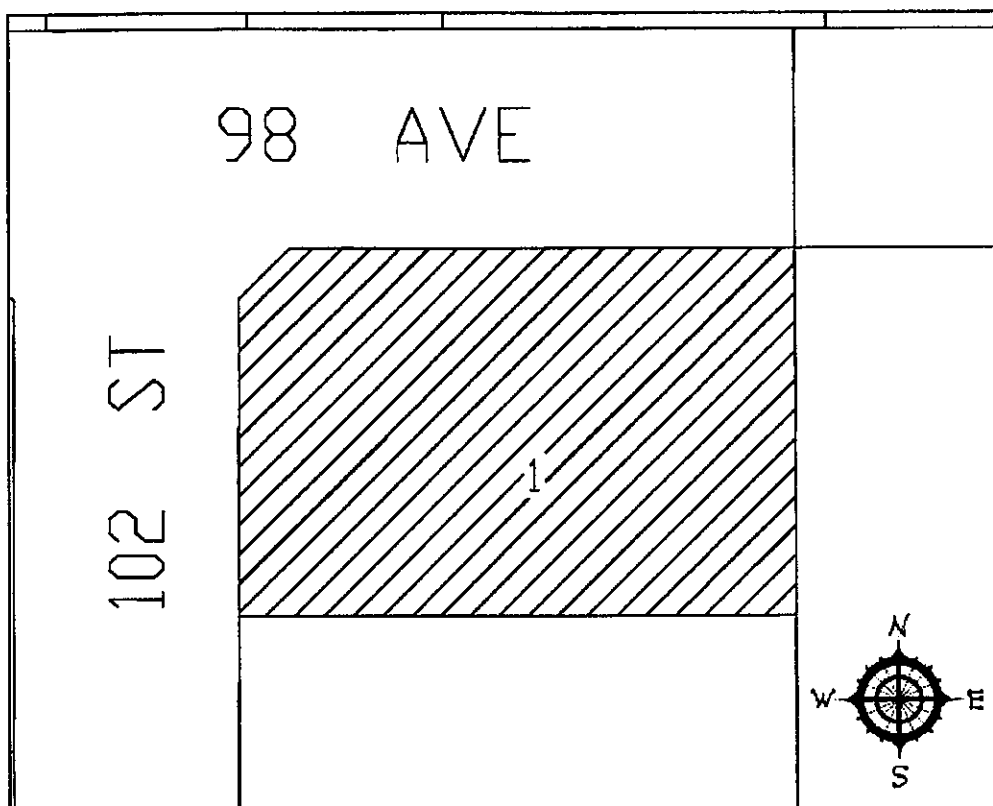
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

BYLAW No. 673/08

SCHEDULE "A"

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

Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 be rezoned from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3", within the Hamlet of La Crete.



FROM: Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1"

TO: Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3"

Greg Newman, Reeve

Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

EFFECTIVE THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2008.

2008 Divisional Track Meet

Results from meet in Rocky Lane May 15, 2008. First place only.

SENIOR HIGH LEVEL			Long jump	Vanessa Janzen (LCPS)	3.97m	Shot put	Colin Pike (RLK)	11.38m
Event	Winner	Score/Time	Triple jump	Darlene Harder (LCPS)	8.70m	Discus	Matthew Stalker (LCPS)	27.21m
Junior Girls			Shot put	Chyana-Lynn Kamienski (HLPS)	7.19m	Javelin	Matthew Stalker (LCPS)	43.57m
100m	Laura Lang (RLK)	14.68	Discus	Janelle Batt (RLS)	15.32m	Intermediate Boys		
200m	Laura Lang (RLK)	33.13	Javelin	Jennifer Neudorf (LCPS)	18.33m	200m	Caleb Siemens (LCPS)	27.43
400m	Kaylin Lambert (RLS)	1:40.62	Senior Girls			400m	Adam Lederer (RLK)	1:02.69
1500m	Britany Smith (FVPS)	6:37.00	Shot put	Melanie Braun (LCPS)	8.41m	800m	Adam Lederer (RLK)	2:35.13
3000m	Britany Smith (FVPS)	14:45.61	Discus	Melanie Braun (LCPS)	16.51m	1500m	Adam Lederer (RLK)	5:05.00
High jump	Kaylin Lambert (RLS)	1.33m	Javelin	Melanie Braun (LCPS)	20.99m	3000m	Adam Lederer (RLK)	30:00.00
Long jump	Laura Lang (RLK)	3.46m	Junior Boys			High jump	Quentin Kipling (RLS)	1.60m
Triple jump	Laura Lang (RLK)	7.63m	100m	Colin Pike (RLK)	13.35	Long jump	Lance Auger (JDS)	4.19m
Shot put	Desirae Ahnassy (HLPS)	7.76m	200m	Colin Pike (RLK)	29.31	Triple jump	Thomas Simpson (FVPS)	10.10m
Discus	Desirae Ahnassy (HLPS)	18.79m	400m	Brennon Wiebe (LCPS)	1:01.54	Shot put	Stephen MacGillivray (RLK)	9.43m
Javelin	Desirae Ahnassy (HLPS)	23.11m	800m	Logan Pankiw (RLK)	2:51.85	Discus	Mike Smith (FVPS)	26.89m
Intermediate Girls			1500m	Kevin Doerksen (LCPS)	5:31.00	Javelin	Stephen MacGillivray (RLK)	37.93m
100m	Vanessa Janzen (LCPS)	14.56	3000m	Kevin Doerksen (LCPS)	30:00.01	Senior Boys		
200m	Shaun Tschroeb (LCPS)	31.53	High jump	Matthew Stalker (LCPS)	1.66m	100m	Mike Halladay (LCPS)	12.19
1500m	Jennifer Neudorf (LCPS)	7:09.00	Long jump	Brennon Wiebe (LCPS)	5.19m	200m	Brandon Pankiw (RLK)	29.45
High jump	Jessica Harper (RLS)	1.35m	Triple jump	Colin Pike (RLK)	8.60m	CONTINUED ON PAGE 7		

Hi, my name is Susanne Randle and I was born and raised in Fort Vermilion. I am excited to announce my new position at Victim Services Unit (VSU) in Fort Vermilion as the Executive Director. I work together with the coordinator, Lisa Schmidt and several volunteer advocates. Our office is located in the Fort Vermilion RCMP detachment. Our VSU deals with the immediate victims of crime, such as notification of death, court accompaniment and orientation, restorative justice and victim impact statements. We also assist victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, robbery, stalking and harassment. We work in partnership with the RCMP, Beaver First Nation, North Tallcree, South Tallcree and La Crete. We emphasize and value confidentiality and work under an oath to maintain it.

There are currently two paid staff members, seven volunteer board members and four volunteer advocates. In 2007 our VSU dealt with 218 new cases, 179 of which were Criminal Code violent offences. Fort Vermilion VSU has a higher percentage of violent crime than most other units in Alberta. In 2007 we worked with 306 adult victims and 75 child victims. Currently we are working on 74 active files at various stages in the criminal justice system.

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My experience at Victim Services in Fort Vermilion has been challenging at times, but always rewarding. Accompanying victims and witnesses at court, doing home/community visits and maintaining a continuous training schedule make the work exciting and fresh. No one day is like the next. I have enjoyed learning about the local communities and meeting many wonderful people in each.

Nothing is more rewarding than a heartfelt "thank you" from someone I have been able to support and help through an emotionally distressing time in their lives. My objective is for clients to achieve a pre-crisis condition and move on with their lives.

- Lisa Schmidt, VSU Coordinator

MACKENZIE COUNTY

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MACKENZIE COUNTY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED LAND-USE BYLAW NO 673/08

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. 673/08 for an amendment to Land-Use Bylaw No. 462/04. The proposed amendment is:

That the land use designation of the subject parcel known as Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 in Mackenzie County be amended from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3".

The Public Hearing is to be held at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 10, 2008 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, June 6, 2008. If you have any questions regarding the hearing, or the bylaw, please call Mackenzie County's Development Officer at 926-3983.

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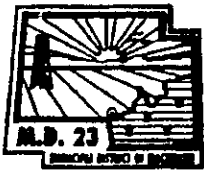
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9810-99 Street
High Level, AB, T0H 1Z0

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LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. _____

NAME OF APPLICANT Ed Alexander Construction Ltd.		
ADDRESS Box 1190		
TOWN La Crete AB		
POSTAL CODE T0H 2H0	PHONE (RES.) 9-3029	BUS. CELL 926-0660

COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT		
NAME OF REGISTER OWNER Same.		
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	BLK.	LOT
						6076RS	6	1

LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED:

FROM: NR1 TO: NR3

REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Propose rezoning to allow the construction of one (1) duplex on the property. The lot is large and can accommodate the required vehicle parking.

Location is seen as ideal due to being located between the schools.

At present very few lots of this zoning exist w/i La Crete and those that exist are not available for development as the landowners are not selling them.

Subdivision is not planned, existing mobile home will be removed.

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

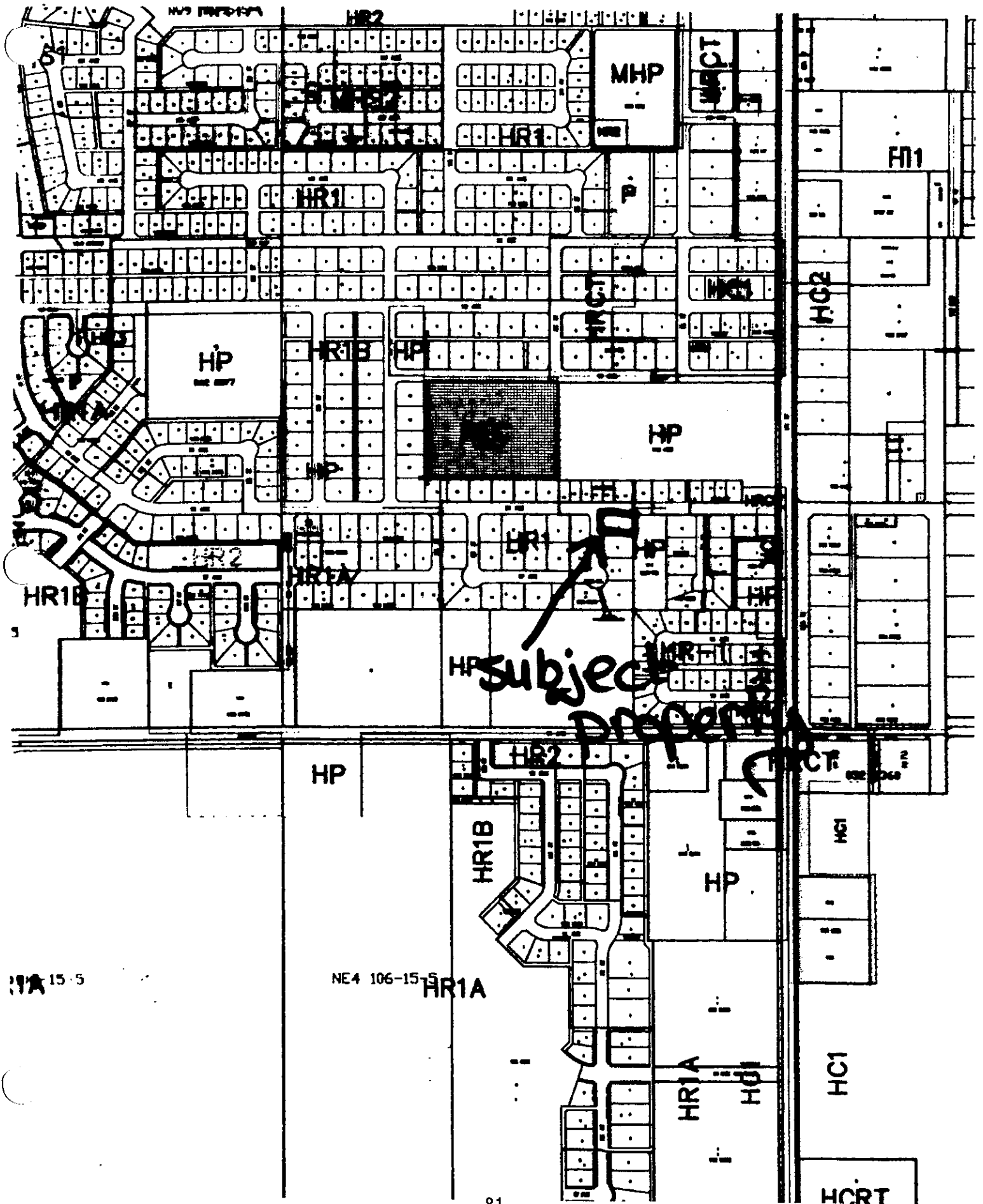
APPLICANT [Signature]

DATE April 2/08

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

REGISTERED OWNER Same

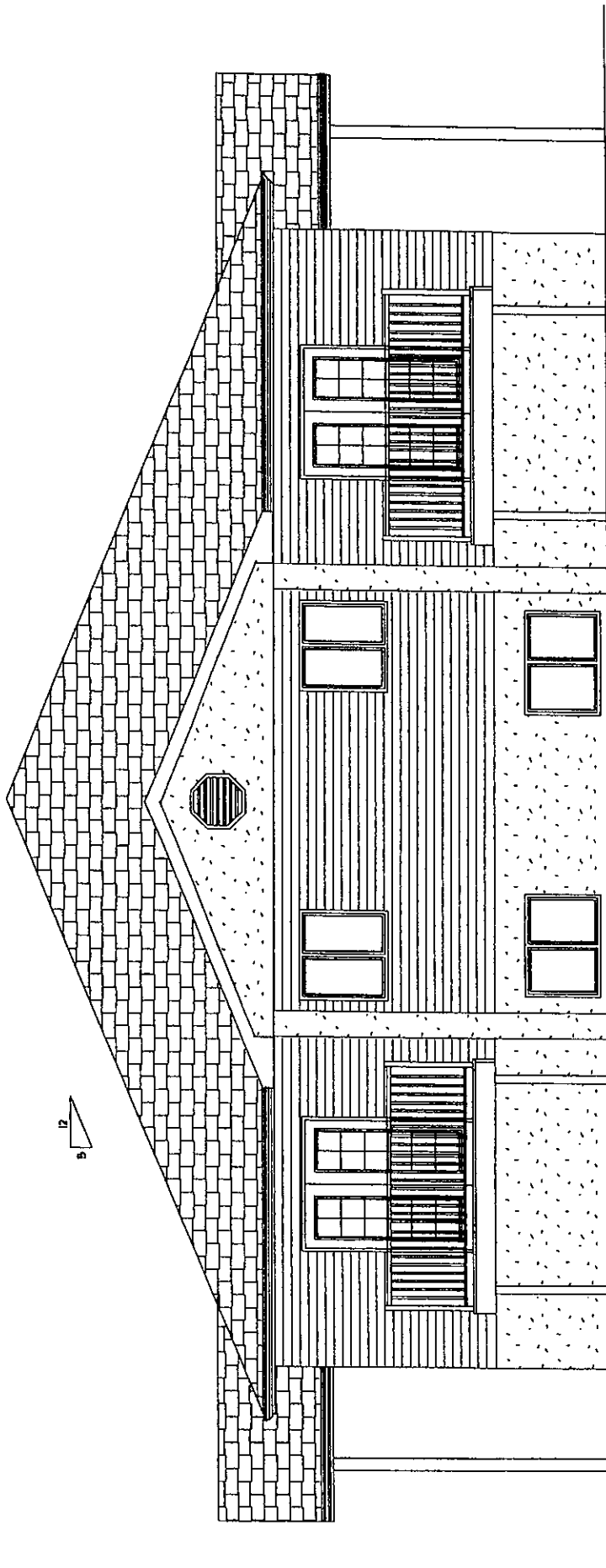
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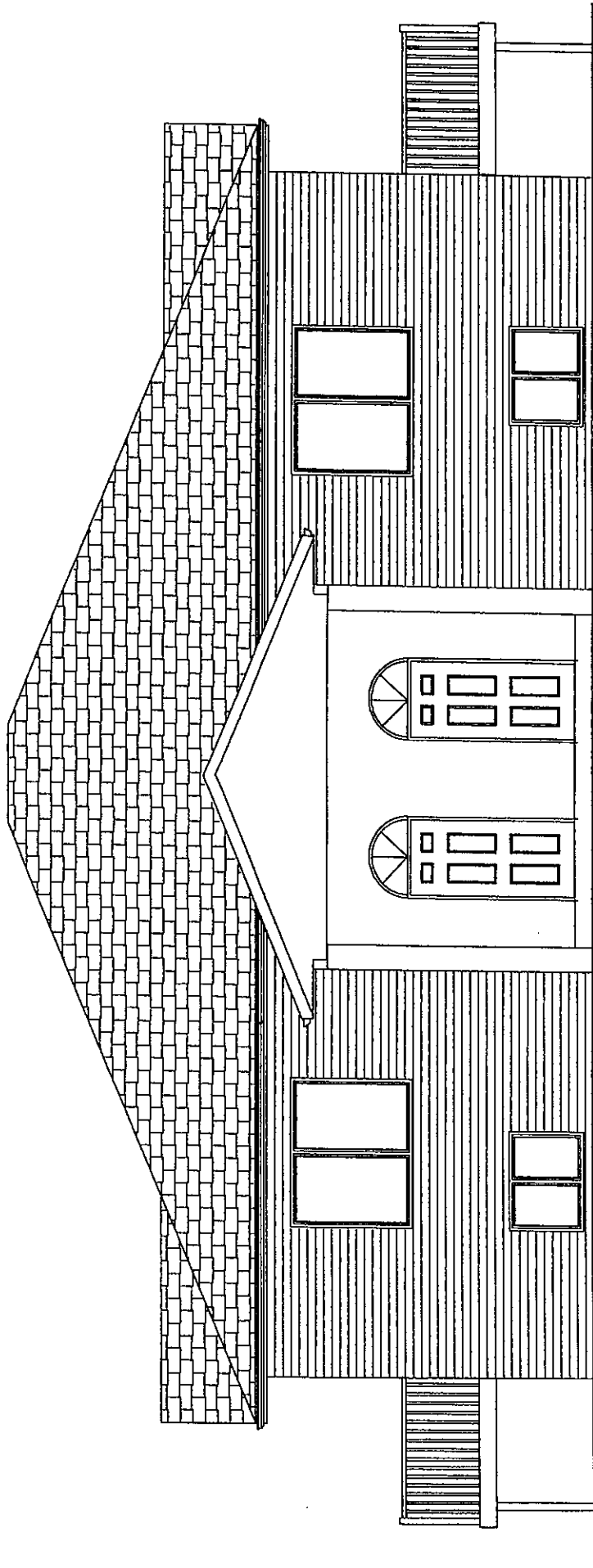
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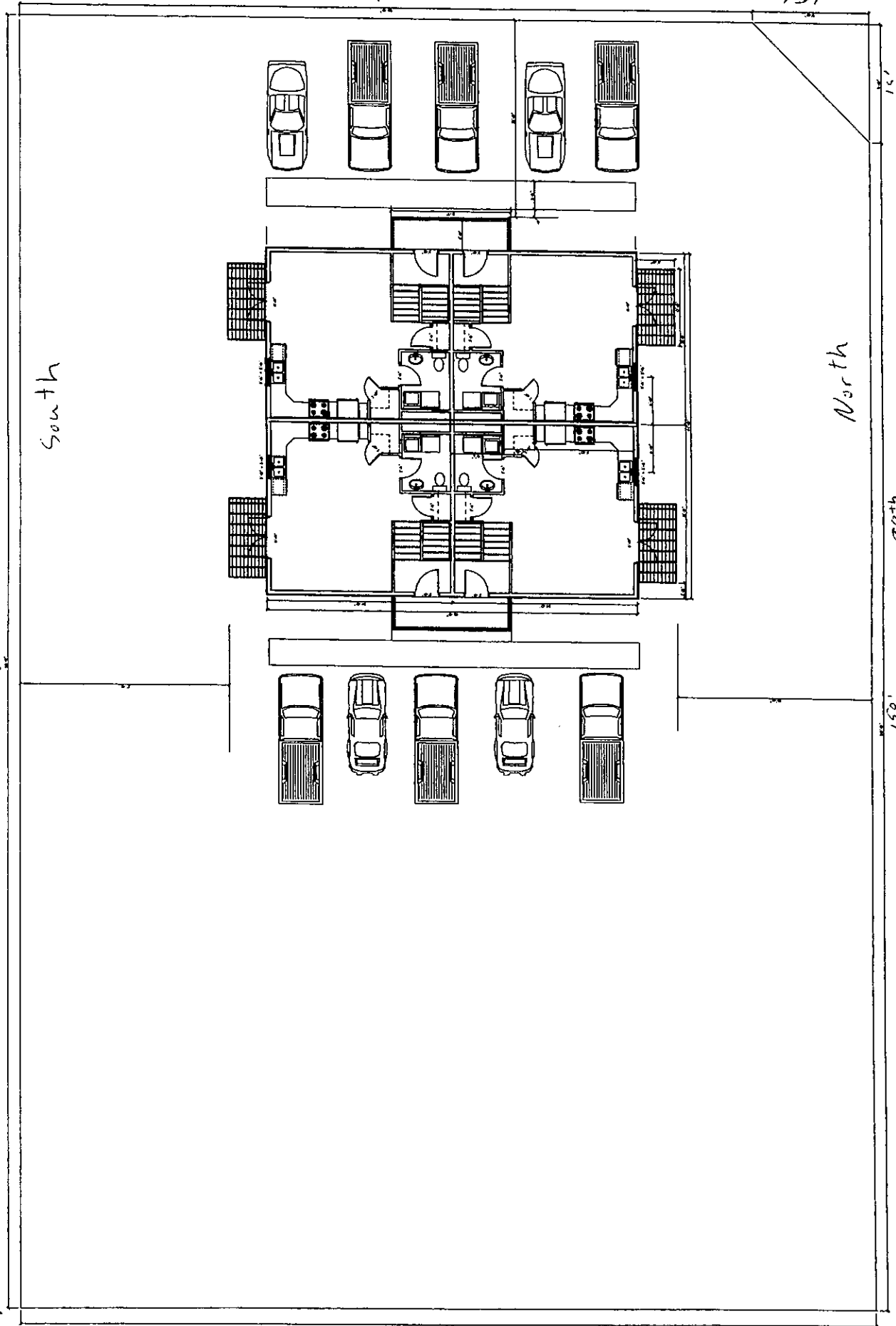


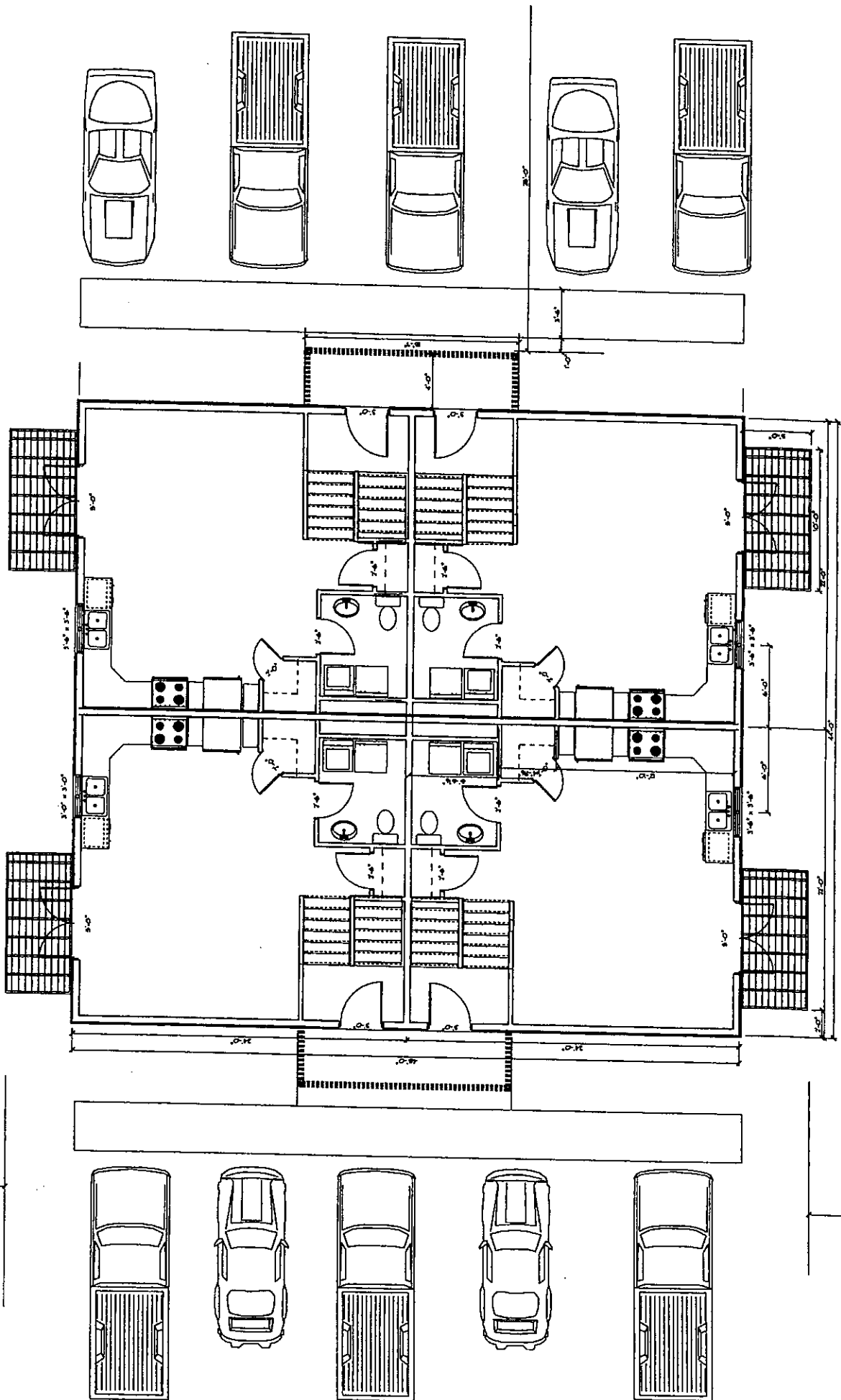
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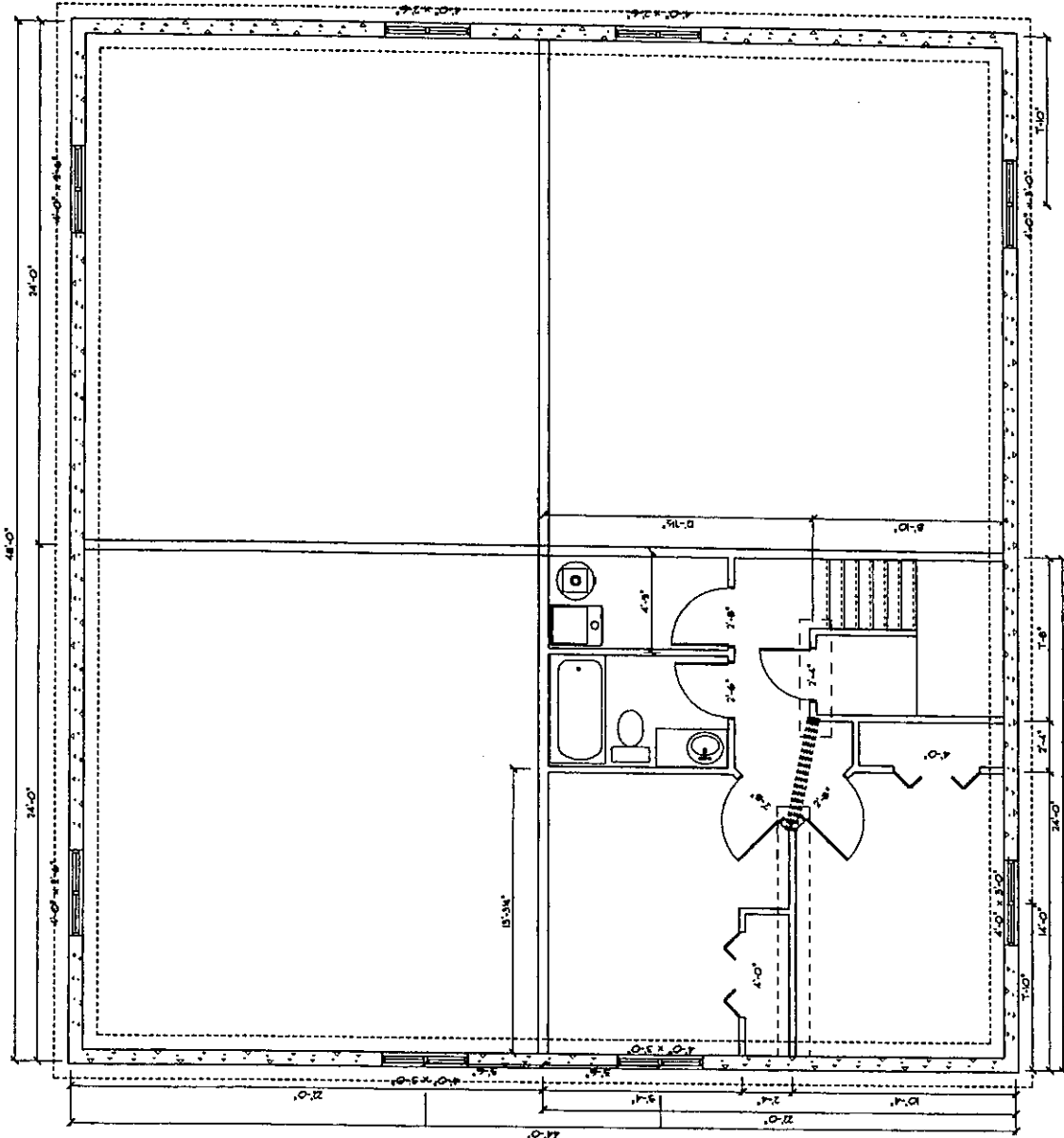


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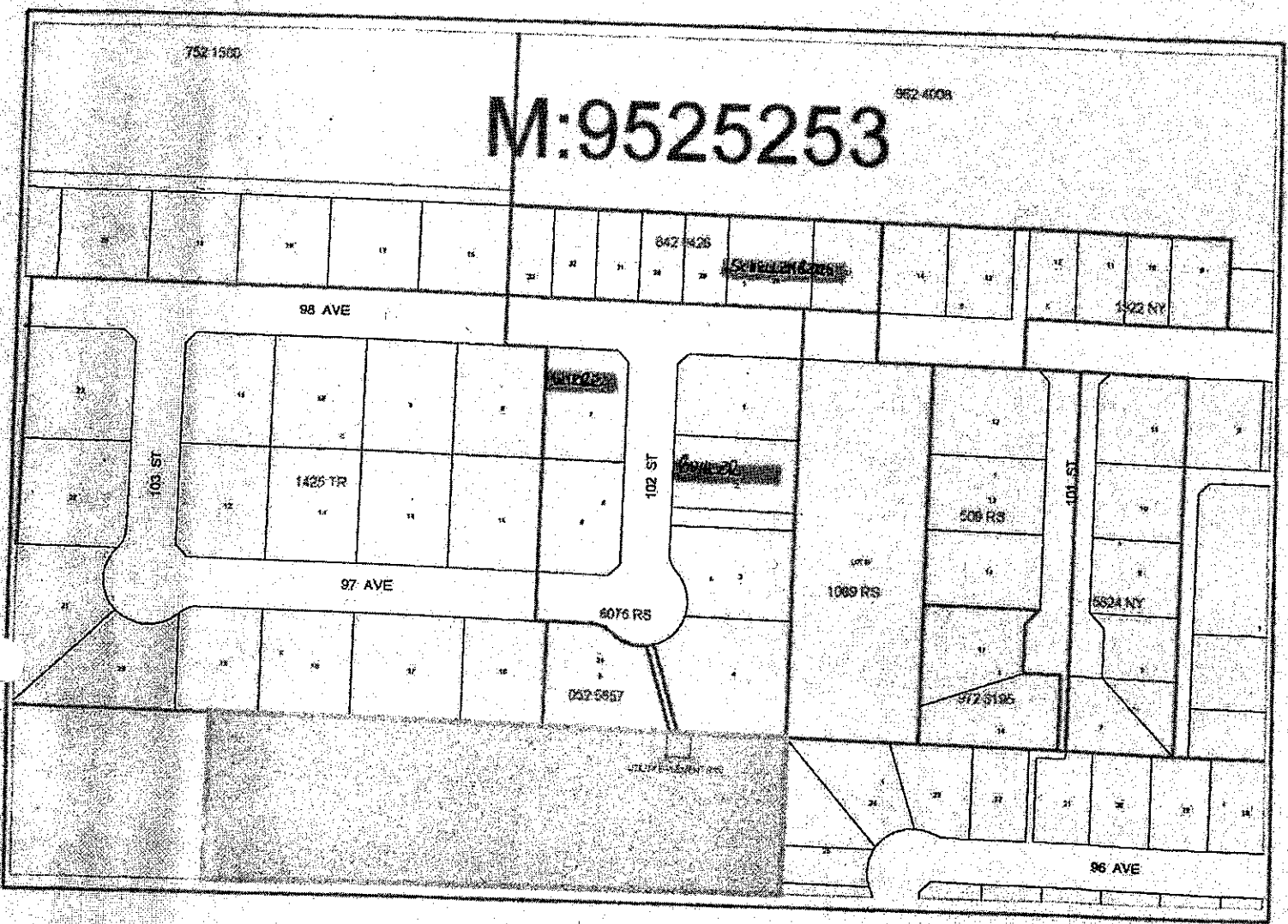
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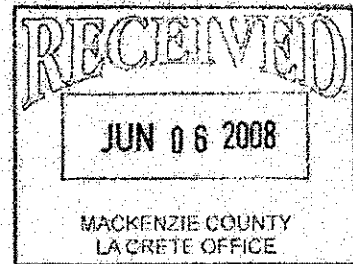


11:09AM Monday June 09, 2008

Edward / Jane Bukler
Box 1
La Crete, AB.
T0H 2H0

June 6, 2008

Mackenzie County
Box 1690
La Crete, AB.
T0H 2H0



Re: the application to rezone Plan 6076 RS,
Block 6, Lot 1

As an adjacent land owner I received a letter stating there is an application to rezone Plan 6076 RS, Block 6, Lot 1 from HR1 to HR3. This causes us some concern, that if it passes there is a potential of multi dwelling of properties build. This causes us concern as it will change the present style of neighborhood from a quiet residential neighborhood to a potential high traffic area, this is important to us as it will affect our present enjoyment of our neighborhood as well it will affect our future resale and market ability of our property.

I request that the zoning remain as Hamlet Residential District 1 (HR1) as it more suits the neighborhood.

Thank-you Edward Bukler
Jane Bukler

David & Tammy Schellenberg
Box 902
La Crete, AB
T0H 2H0

June 6, 2008

Marion Krahn, Development Officer
Mackenzie County
Box 1690
La Crete, AB
T0H 2H0

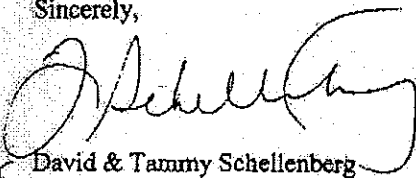
Dear Ms. Krahn:

We are writing in response to the letter dated May 28/08, regarding the rezoning of Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 to Hamlet Residential District 3. We would not be in favor of this change for a number of reasons:

- increased traffic on an already very busy street
- wherever a multifamily or rental building is constructed, the result is a more transient neighborhood, which can bring with it a variety of unwelcome effects, one of them being increased noise
- both of the above would result in decreased property value for those living in the surrounding area.

Thank you for your kind attention to this letter.

Sincerely,


for David & Tammy Schellenberg

June 5, 2008

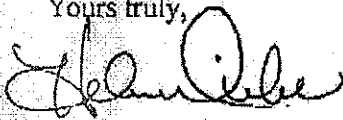
Marion Krahn, Development officer
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Box 1690
La Crete, AB T0H 2H0

RE Bylaw 673/08 Land use bylaw amendment application for
Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1

Thank you for your letter of May 28, 2008, regarding the application to rezone Plan 6076RS, Block 6, Lot 1 from HR1 to HR3. Being an adjacent land owner, I do have some concerns that I would like you to consider before approving such an application. The volume of traffic on our heavily used street would likely increase, and the more transient types of people in the neighborhood if a multi-dwelling facility were to be constructed, would most likely bring down the value of the homes that are currently in existence. I realize that this is a large lot, but I also know that it is perfect for a single family dwelling.

Thank you for listening to my concerns.

Yours truly,



Helen Wiebe
Box 563
La Crete, AB T0h 2H0

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Jane Buhler

- land owner adjacent
- concerned w/ mult-dwelling
- traffic
- don't approve

Ed Haider

- owner of lot
- 98th Ave main artery
- not an ~~in~~ in traffic
- most towns these types of bldgs
All built
- minimal impact to the north,
West
- east - church
- south - single family dwelling
rented.
- duplexes along 98th (FVSO)

Which way is access?

- 102nd or 98th

Are there any mobile homes in area?

- ?

Wed you be able to access only on 98th
Ave?

- need to walk around bldg



June 9, 2008

Our Reference: 12411 C01

Nason Contracting Group Ltd.
25 Corriveau Avenue
St. Albert, Alberta
T8N 5A3

Attention: Darrell Stang
President

Dear Mr. Stang:

**Reference: Hamlet of Zama – Water Supply System Upgrading
Contract #1 – New Water Treatment Plant
Safety and Site Control**

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If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter please give me a call at (780) 438-9000.

Sincerely,

Deon H.J. Wilner, P.Eng., CCCA
Manager, Water and Wastewater Treatment

cc. Bill Kostiw – Mackenzie County
Taylor Green – Nason Contracting
Lyman Zollinger – Nason Contracting

target renters?

- teachers
- = not the younger crowd.
- keep it new.

Adversity to putting trees btwn lots?

- no

- overflow parking on east (church parking)

Square footage?

- 44x48

- 2000+ sq ft (500 per unit)

Jane B

- create more noise when more dwellings on your lot

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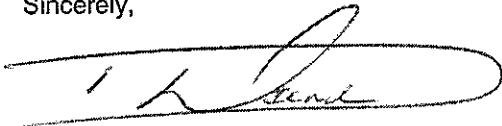
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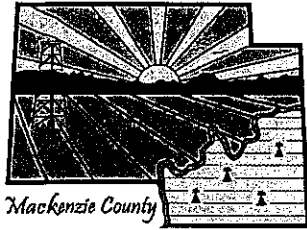
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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Ryan Becker, Director of Planning and Emergency Services
Title:	PUBLIC HEARING Bylaw 674/08 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Section 15-109-19-W5M from Agricultural District "A1" to Residential Condominium District (RCD) in Rural High Level

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 674/08, was given first reading at the May 6, 2008 Council meeting, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Section 15-109-19-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Residential Condominium District "RCD" to accommodate a bare land condominium development with a golf course in Mackenzie County.

On April 23, 2008 Council approved a new Land Use Bylaw district; Residential Condominium District "RCD" this district allows for serviced condominium developments and includes golf courses as a discretionary use.

Del and Jane Kelly are proposing to develop "Firesky" a bare land condominium centered around a world class golf course on Section of 15-109-19-W5M. Section 15 is located south of the Town of High Level bordered by Bushe River Indian Reserve on the east side, Crown land directly to the north and private land owners to the west and south.

Currently there is only one access to this section of land and that through township road 109-2. The Kelly's proposal is to include a private road accessing from the north utilizing range road 19-4 which runs past Tolko's mill in High Level. This will then essentially give the "Firesky" Development two access routes.

Section 15-109-19-W5M also contains a well developed creek that runs through the land. The Kelly's will require approvals from other Federal and Provincial departments such as Alberta Environment and Department of Ocean and Fisheries before they will

Author: Liane Lambert,
Development Officer

Reviewed By: RYAN B. CAO

be allowed to commence development. Applications have been submitted yet approvals are still pending.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

A Conceptual Scheme has been submitted by the Kelly's containing the location, physical features, vision, development plan, transportation, servicing & utilities, implementation, technical reports, summary of public consultation and a project timeline. The proposed condominium design is to include single family dwellings, retirement homes and a future senior's care facility. *"The Championship golf course is planned to be over 7600 yards in length and will embrace a natural parkland and links design"*.

The Kelly's have submitted a Land Use Bylaw Application to rezone Section 15-109-19-W5M from Agricultural District "A1" to Residential Condominium District "RDC".

RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM DISTRICT (RCD)

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this district is to provide for serviced residential condominiums units.

2. USES

No person shall use any lot or erect, alter or use any building or structure for any purpose except one or more of the following:

Permitted Use

- a) Single Detached Dwelling (Constructed on site, one dwelling per lot)
- b) Attached garage
- c) Ancillary buildings/structure less than 92m²

Discretionary Uses

- a) Ancillary building/Structure 92 m² or greater
- b) Park
- c) Public Use
- d) Semi-detached Dwellings (Constructed on site)
- e) Sign
- f) Detached Garage
- g) Golf Course
- h) Ponds

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Development Officer

Reviewed By: _____

CAO _____

3. DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS

The following regulations shall apply to every development in this district:

LOT AREA

Minimum Condominium Plan Area:	0.2 ha (0.049 acres)
Minimum Condominium Plan Width	30 meters(98.4 ft)

Minimum Unit Area (Land)	300 m ² (3'229 ft ²)
Minimum Unit Width (Land)	9 m (29.52 ft)

MINIMIUM SETBACKS

Minimum Front and Exterior Side Yard	7.0 meters(22.96 ft)
Minimum Rear Yard:	7.0 meters(22.96 ft)
Minimum Interior Side Yard:	3.0 meters(9.84 ft)
Minimum Separation Between Buildings:	3.0 meters(9.84 ft)

Minimum Common Landscape Area:	5%
Maximum Gross Density:	30 units/ha
Maximum Building Height:	10.5 meters(34.44 ft)

Minimum Landscape Area/Unit:	30%
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4. OTHER REGULATIONS

In addition to the regulations listed above, other regulations with the Land Use Bylaw shall apply. These include regulations of sections 3, supplementary regulations of section 4, and the sign regulations of section 6.

5. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: LAND UNITS

The front yard for condominium land units may be measured from the edge of the road right-of-way. (Minimum 20 meter road right-of-way).

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

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CAO

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion 1

That second reading be given to Bylaw 674/08 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Section 15-109-19-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Residential Condominium District "RCD" to accommodate a Condominium and Golf Course Development in Mackenzie County.

Motion 2

That third reading be given to Bylaw 674/08 being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Section 15-109-19-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Residential Condominium District "RCD" to accommodate a Condominium and Golf Course Development in Mackenzie County.

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Mackenzie County

PUBLIC HEARING FOR LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT

BYLAW _____

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. 674/08

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

**TO AMEND THE
MACKENZIE COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW**

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

WHEREAS, Mackenzie County has a General Municipal Plan adopted in 1995, and

WHEREAS, the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, has deemed it desirable to amend the Mackenzie County Land Use Bylaw to accommodate a condominium development.

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

1. That the land use designation of the subject parcel known as Section 15-109-19-W5M be rezoned from Agricultural District "A1" to Residential Condominium District "RDC" as outlined in attached Schedule A.

READ a first time this _____ day of _____, 2008.

READ a second time this _____ day of _____, 2008.

READ a third time and finally passed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

REEVE

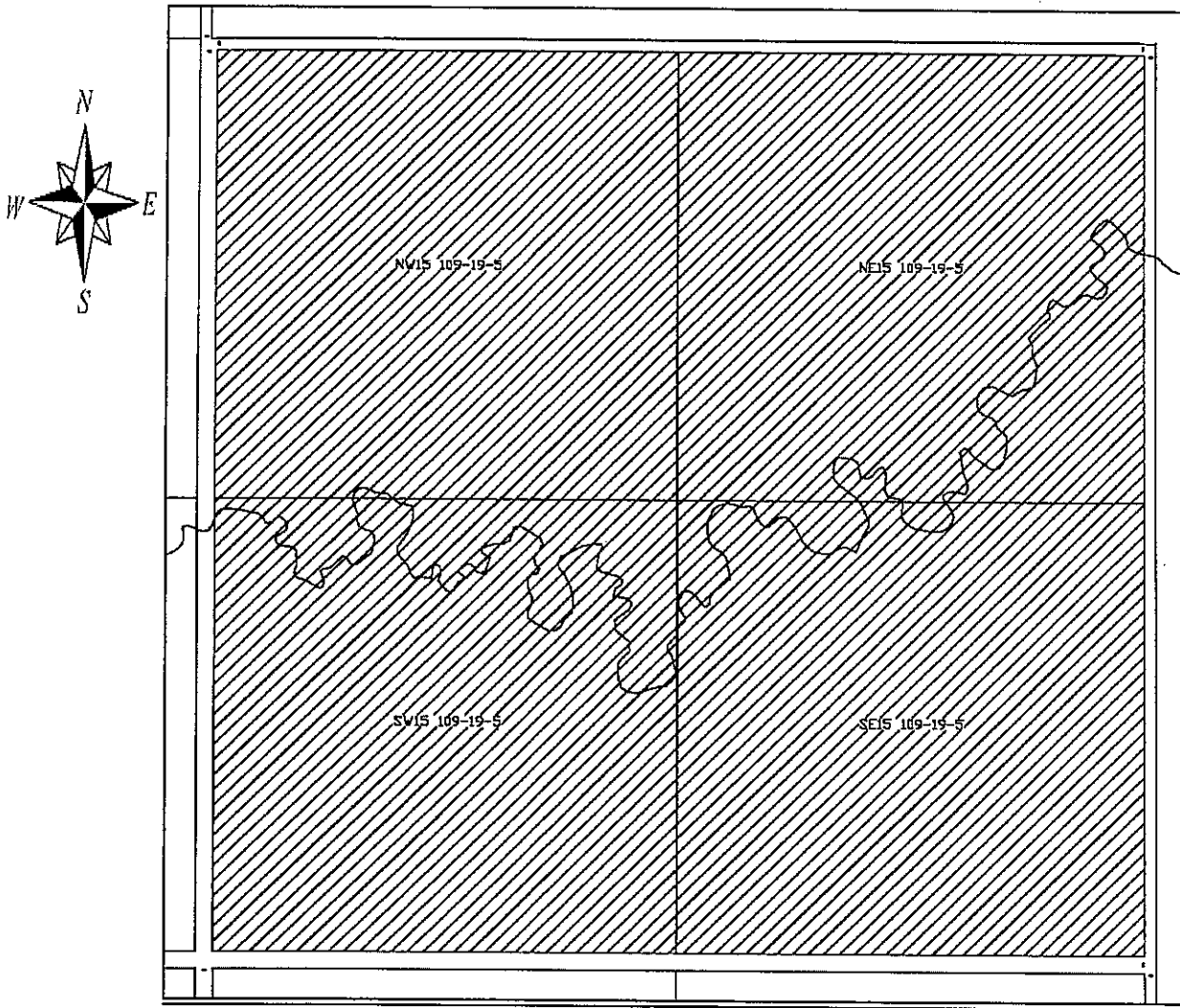
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

BYLAW No. 674/08

SCHEDULE "A"

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

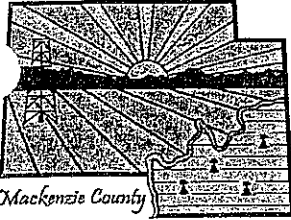
Section 15-109-19-W5M be rezoned from Agricultural District "A1" to Residential Condominium District "RCD" in Rural High Level.



Greg Newman, Reeve

Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant

EFFECTIVE THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2008.



LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

APPLICATION NO. 674/08

NAME OF APPLICANT <u>Liane and Delton Kelly</u>		
ADDRESS <u>Box 660</u>		
TOWN <u>High Level</u>		
POSTAL CODE <u>T0H 1Z0</u>	PHONE (RES.) <u>926-1947</u>	BUS. <u>841-7516</u>

COMPLETE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT		
NAME OF REGISTER OWNER		
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TOWN		
POSTAL CODE	PHONE (RES.)	BUS.

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	<u>15</u>	<u>109</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>5</u>				

LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENT PROPOSED:

FROM: Agriculture TO: Residential Condominium District

REASONS SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

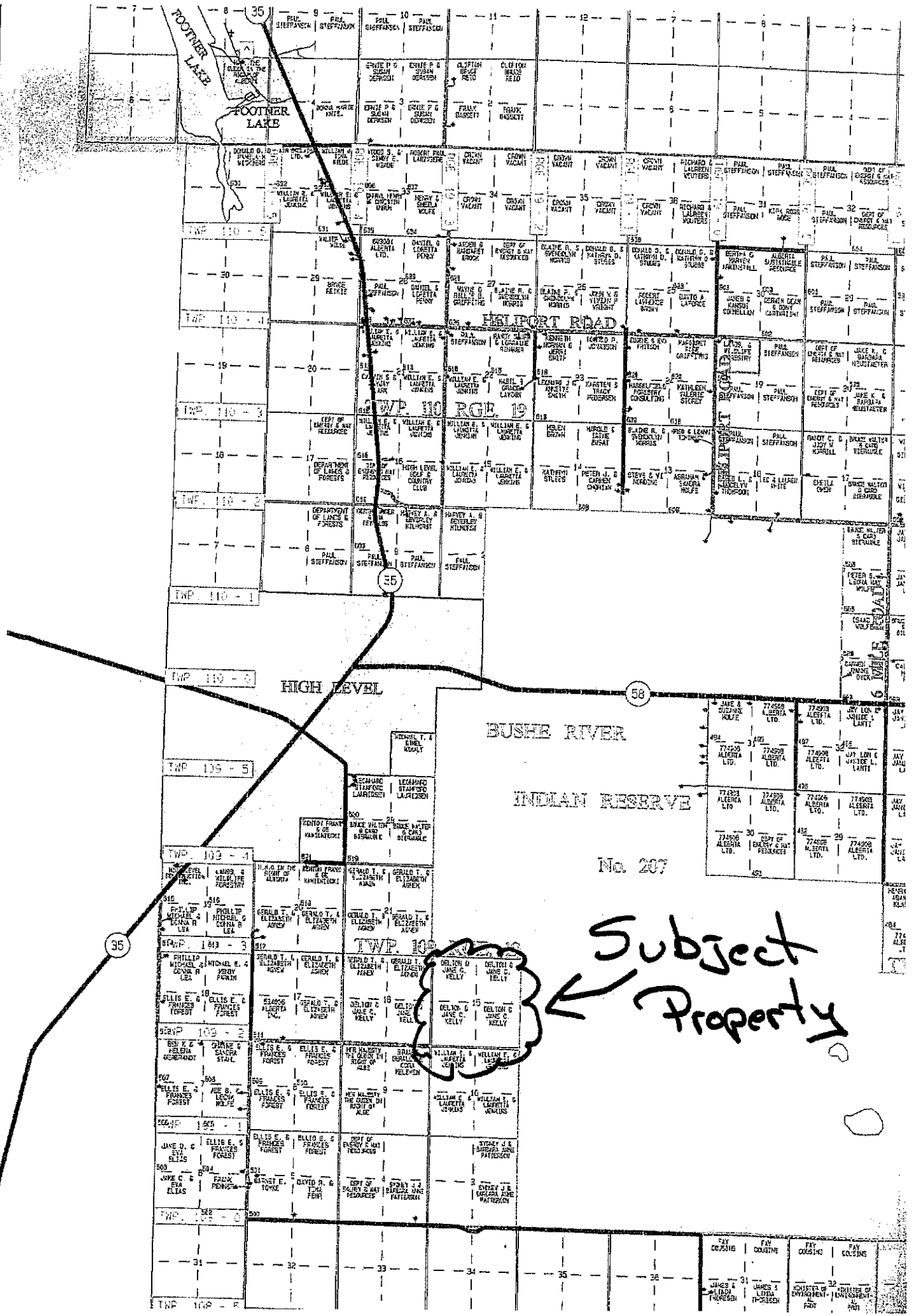
To allow for a golf course & residential "Base Land Condominium" development south east of High Level, Alberta.

I/WE HAVE ENCLOSED THE REQUIRED APPLICATION FEE OF \$ 150⁰⁰/xx RECEIPT NO. _____

APPLICANT Liane C. Kelly DATE April 17, 2008

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

REGISTERED OWNER _____ DATE _____



No. 207

Subject Property



10511-103 Street
High Level, Alberta
T0H 1Z0
Tel (780) 926-2201
Fax (780) 926-2899
www.highlevel.ca

June 10, 2008

Mackenzie County
Box 640
Fort Vermilion AB T0H 1N0

Re: Firesky Development

Dear Reeve Newman:

The Town thanks the County for referring the rezoning for the development of the Firesky golf/condominium concept. Council reviewed the request at our Regular Council meeting on June 9th but not enough information is available to fully assess the impacts or future requirements of the development.

Council would like to see an Area Structure Plan to address issues such as traffic generation, water services, fire protection measures etc. While the Town understands it is entirely the decision of the County to request such a plan, the Town is more than willing to work with the County and Firesky through the development application process.

Again thank you for the referral and the County's continued cooperation. The Town looks forward to your reply and hopefully the partnership in the decision process for this development.

Sincerely,

Mayor George Schmidt
Town of High Level

cc:
Town Council

○ 7.b)

John wants to work w/ us on
the development agreement.

Kelly's

Del + Jane Kelly presents

Happy to work w/ the County
+ the town to make this project
work.

Access Road.

- on right of way

They will build the road
1/4 mile. - County.

June 9, 2008

Our Reference: 12411 C01

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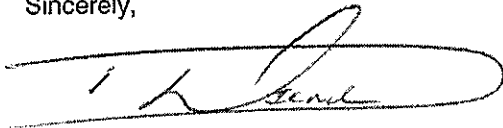
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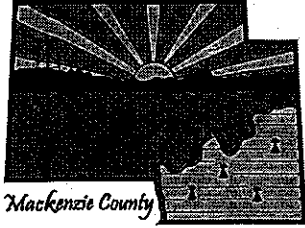
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Deon H.J. Wilner, P.Eng., CCCA
Manager, Water and Wastewater Treatment

cc. Bill Kostiw – Mackenzie County
Taylor Green – Nason Contracting
Lyman Zollinger – Nason Contracting



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Re-Gravelling Tender – 1:00 p.m.

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

This is the County's annual re-gravelling tender with a clause for a one year extension.

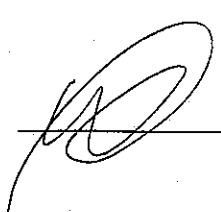
OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

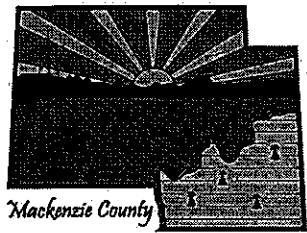
The tender includes materials management by weigh scales and spreading technique.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the re-gravelling tender be awarded to the lowest qualifying tender.

Author: C. Gabriel Review By: _____ CAO 



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
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 Director of Corporate Services, Director of Public Works & Agriculture, Director of Environmental Services, Director of Planning & Emergency Services, and the Chief Administrative Officer reports be accepted for information.

Author: W. Kostiw Reviewed By: _____ CAO

Director of Environmental Services Report For June 10, 2008 Regular Council Meeting

A number of projects are under way as the start of a busy construction season is upon us; field summer staff has been hired and are busy addressing the hamlet maintenance and grass mowing.

Utilities

- Summer maintenance will get under way shortly i.e.: sewer flushing, hydrant flushing, sewer inflow control, as well as hydrant, valve and cc repairs.
- Zama water plant is progressing and the structure should be up in the near future.

Parks/Playgrounds and Facilities:

- The County should be receiving blue prints for the County office real soon.
- The Parks Committee will be reviewing the Wadlin lake seasonal campsite applications on June 11th Parks Committee meeting.
- The Tompkins campground group has started some site work at the future campground.

Solid Waste:

- Nothing new to report.

Public Works South:

- We seem to have numerous drainage issues throughout the County that should be addressed in the near future.
- The equipment lists have been prepared.
- Dust control for the Schools and part of the hamlet has been applied.
- The deadline for private dust control applications has passed and we will be ordering product ASAP.
- The County road bans are still on due road conditions.

Attachments:

**John Klassen
Director of Environmental Services
Mackenzie County**

Public Works Council Report

10 June 2008

Activities

Regravelling

Regravelling areas have been submitted and reviewed. However, current calculations indicate a possible over expenditure on the regravelling compared to budget. Leadhands are working with the grader operators to review the regravelling maps to reduce the areas by a further 20%.

Infrastructure plan

The first draft of the County's infrastructure plan has been completed.

Projects

ISL Managed Projects

A meeting was held with ISL regarding the projects currently managed by them. During this meeting a number of concern areas were highlighted with ISL, especially their general project management.

Refer to the attachment for the minutes of this meeting.

EXH Managed Projects

The County does not have significant concerns regarding the road projects currently managed by EXH.

Number	Description	Contractor	Tender Date	Start Date	Current Cost	Total Cost*	% Comp
1007116	99 Street/N & S Access/94 Ave.	Knelsen	Jul 25 08	Aug 20 07	\$1,792,306	\$2,950,140	90%
1007160	Blumenort Road	Knelsen	Sept 11 07	May 20 08	-	\$519,810	0%
1007170	Zama Access Road & Bearpaw Crescent	Knelsen	Oct 25 07	May 26 08	-	\$3,223,450	0%
1008065	Aspen Drive	Knelsen	Apr 29 08	-	-	\$1,418,200	0%
4007029	La Crete Capital Improvements	Knelsen	Apr 29 08	May 26 08	-	\$970,640	0%

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Meeting Date: **May 28, 2008**
Meeting No:

the project by the end of June 2008, so that the County can submit this to the funding authority, but Mackenzie County will only pay this invoice (to ISL) when the work is completed.

ISL

3.0 Mackenzie County Regional SCADA Update

Joy Wesley and Deon Wilner were on site to commission the Regional SCADA works at the Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant at the end of April 2008. Much of the work related to the SCADA is completed in Fort Vermilion (a few small changes and deficiencies need to be completed).

Some minor work needs to be completed at the La Crete WTP and the work at the Zama WTP Regional SCADA will be completed as part of the present WTP construction. The Fort Vermilion and La Crete WTP Regional SCADA systems will be up and running shortly.

4.0 Fort Vermilion 45th Street Upgrade Update

A preconstruction meeting was held for the 45th Street Upgrade project. ATCO Electric has laid out the locations of their new power and light poles at the west side of 45th Street. ISL is in the process of doing layout for the works.

ISL

5.0 Fort Vermilion Mackenzie Housing Subdivision Update

ISL is diligently working on resolving the site drainage challenges and hope to have this resolved and reviewed internally by the end of the week. ISL will forward the revised drainage design to the County early next week for their review, comment and acceptance. ISL understands the need to complete this without delay in order to get the contractor starting on this work.

ISL

6.0 Fort Vermilion Sewage Lift Station Update

Nason Contracting will be remobilizing shortly to complete the work at the sewage lift station. The diesel generator has arrived at Nason's facility in St. Albert and will be shipped to site just prior to being installed, as there is no place to store the unit on site.

Ptarmigan Engineering has conducted a structural review of the pump station floor slab and completed structural drawings to support the overhead crane rail. The crane rail support was not adequately detailed on the design drawings by the prior consultant.

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7.0 Zama Water Treatment Plant Update

Work on the Zama WTP is ongoing. Presently the work is primarily civil works with the mechanical works starting shortly. The contractor is pouring concrete on site and will start backfilling the reservoir shortly.

The County has expressed concern regarding Nason's (the contractor's) commitment to the project. Bill Kostiw and Joulia visited the site on the weekend and felt that the site was disorganized. The concern regarding site cleanliness has been raised by the County on numerous occasions.

The County is also concerned about the many small (and maybe somewhat cosmetic) errors. In quite a few locations the concrete formwork has given a bit during the concrete placement and this has caused the buried reservoir walls to not be as straight and true as shown on the design drawings.

The County is also expressed concern regarding site safety. In the past the County has observed protruding rebar that has not been made safe (plastic cap) at the bottom of excavations with no real protection around the excavation.

ISL will review these matters with Nason during tomorrow's project progress meeting and has committed to helping show improvement in the two to four week window. These are serious issues and ISL will do what it can to bring the project back on track.

ISL

8.0 Zama Raw Water Supply Line Update

This project has been substantially performed with some seasonal deficiencies to be completed this summer. ISL is aware of an oilfield access road crossing the raw water pipeline that has been washed out during the spring melt event that could be contributed to the work done by AGTL installing the raw water supply line. AGTL will repair the access and drainage.

9.0 Zama Wastewater Treatment Lagoon Update

Forest Trotter stopped work on this project during the spring melt event. The site has dried out somewhat and Forest Trotter will be looking at doing some cleanup and site access improvements shortly prior to commencing work on this project again.

10.0 Mackenzie County Planning / Master Plans Update

ISL has informed Mackenzie County that it had to let Trevor Williams go. Trevor was ISL's planner in Grande Prairie. David Schoor (planner) and the Edmonton office will take over the work. This project was just starting and therefore not significantly

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impacted by this change.

David Schoor has prepared an extensive proposal and budget for this project and will be discussing this with Ryan Becker from Mackenzie County this afternoon in Edmonton.

Work on the community infrastructure master plans has not yet commenced, the County understands that there is need to do this work, but need to budget for this work as there is no present municipal funding for this work.

County

ISL is recommending that monitoring and testing be done in advance of preparing the master plans. This would include sewage flow rates at key locations in each community along with rainfall data. Sewage flow rates need to be assessed during the spring melt and summer rainfall period. Hydrant flow testing and traffic counts will be conducted just prior to the study being done.

11.0 Mackenzie County Regional Water Update

Work on this project has started. Four weeks ago we had the opportunity to review a possible alignment between Fort Vermilion and High Level when flying with Councilor Touws.

12.0 La Crete Wastewater Treatment Assessment

The County has asked if ISL could conduct a wastewater treatment assessment of the facilities in La Crete. Based on earlier discussions with the County it appears that there could be capacity issues in both the wastewater collection and treatment in La Crete. It also appears that there is a significant component of inflow and infiltration to the wastewater collection system. It may be advantageous to do both a wastewater collection and treatment assessment and take this work just a little further and complete a master plan.

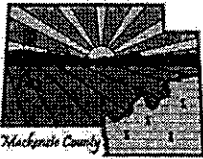
The County will prepare a problem statement / scope of work and ISL will use this to prepare a proposal for the works along with an engineering budget.

County

13.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 25, 2008 at 11:00 AM** at the Mackenzie County Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion.

All



Planning & Emergency Services

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Planning & Emergency Services Report May 2008

The Province has announced that it will be assuming the EMS delivery as of April 1st, 2009. By August 29th the health authority will have to have committed to a preferred EMS operational delivery model and submitted its business plans for the roll out on April 1st, 2009.

The sale of the lots in Zama have been advertised and planned for the day of the annual rate payers meeting on June 12th in Zama. ISL has prepared a cost estimate to prepare a subdivision design for the residential land development on lands currently within the hamlet boundaries of Zama. ISL has also prepared a cost estimate for preparing the County's Municipal Development Plan, Land Use By law and area structure plans. The plan will require some revisions to the total costs and can be brought to council for approval. I am confident that the product the County will receive will be good value for the funds expended.

Two MPC meetings were held in May with no major issues surfacing.

I have the information with respect to Telus and the private Mike network, however, I will be waiting to see some more details with respect to the EMS issues before committing any County funds towards this project as it is not yet known what the scope of our needs may be.

R.N.BECKER
Director, Planning & Emergency Services

To: William (Bill) Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services

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Attended the following meetings:

May 6 – Council meeting
May 7 – Insurance workshop (non-profit groups)
May 13 – managers meeting
May 15 – meeting with Craig Binder, Albert Transportation in Peace River regarding grants
May 16 – Finance Committee meeting
May 22 – Council meeting
May 22 – meeting with Mackenzie Housing regarding affordable housing in Zama
May 27 – managers meeting
June 4 – managers meeting

Personnel update:

La Crete – Vicky Krahn has accepted the temporary position of Administrative Assistant; Laurie Teichroeb accepted the summer Administrative Assistant position;
Fort Vermilion – Erika Fanta accepted the summer Administrative Assistant position.

Administration, projects and activities:

⇒ 2007 Year End

The 2007 Financial Statement presentation was made at the May 6 Council meeting.

⇒ 2008 Assessment and 2008 Tax Rate Bylaw

The bylaw was prepared and approved by Council on May 6. The assessment and tax notices were sent out May 15-16.

⇒ 2008 Operating and Capital Budgets

The revised 2008 Operating and Capital Budgets were prepared and presented to Council on May 6. The budgets were approved.

⇒ Annual ambulance grant report

The April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2008 annual ambulance grant report was prepared and submitted to the Alberta Health and Wellness (attached for your information).

⇒ Expression of interest for the Zama multi-use facility

To: William (Bill) Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services

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The expression of interest was prepared and submitted to the Rural Alberta's Development Fund (attached for your information).

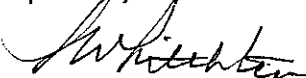
⇒ Municipal Sustainability Initiative

The Project Profiles were prepared for the operating and capital grants and submitted to the Municipal Affairs by June 1, 2008 deadline (summary of the capital project profiles is attached for your information).

The following are some of the upcoming projects/activities (as per the Financial Management Plan presented to Council during the budget deliberations):

- 2008 bursaries review will be done by the Finance Committee at their June 16 meeting @ 5:00 p.m. in Fort Vermilion; due to low volume of applications, we extended the deadline to June 9, 2008
- AUPE negotiations – will be assisting with preparation for this process, the Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for June 26 @ 10:00 a.m. in Fort Vermilion
- 2007 Statistical Information Report is due by June 30
- Prepare and submit debenture borrowing applications by May 15 for the Zama projects (being delayed, probably will borrow by September)
- Offsite levy review (working together with other departments and an engineering firm)
- Tangible Capital Assets project – an ongoing project.
- Utilities rates review – July/August

Respectfully submitted,



Joulia Whittleton



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June 5, 2008

Andrew Friesen, Chairperson
La Crete Recreation Society
P.O. Box 29
La Crete, Alberta
T0H 2H0

Dear Mr. Friesen:

**Re: La Crete Aquatic/Recreation Centre Redevelopment and Expansion
Feasibility Study**

This letter is to advise you that the County Council approved the 50% cost share of the swimming pool feasibility study up to a maximum of \$25,000.

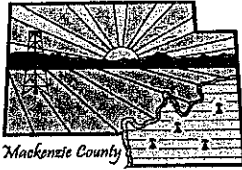
We understand that the committee has a number of proposals. We suggest that the Recreation Board oversees the selection of a consulting firm to undertake this study. In addition, the County would like an opportunity to review the chosen proposal prior to awarding of this contract/project. The County also requests the results of the study.

If you have any questions, please call me at 927-3718.

Sincerely,

Joulia Whittleton
Director of Corporate Services

Cc: Mackenzie County Council
Roy Wiebe, La Crete Swimming Pool Committee



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June 5, 2008

Rural Alberta's Development Fund
Site 4, Box 14, RR4
Tofield, AB
T0B 4J0

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Expression of Interest from Mackenzie County

Please find the County's Expression of Interest along with the project summary attached for your review and approval.

If you have any questions, please contact William (Bill) Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer at (780) 927-3718.

Sincerely,

Greg Newman
Reeve

Cc: Mackenzie County Council
Frank Oberle, MLA
Chris Warkentin, MP



Expression of Interest Cover Form

Mail: Rural Alberta's Development Fund
Site 4, Box 17, RR#4, Tofield, AB T0B 4J0
Fax: 1.866.312.6253
Online: info@ruralalbertasfund.com

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Organization
(full incorporated name)

Mackenzie County

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 640, 4511 - 46th Avenue, Fort Vermilion, AB, T0H1N0
P.O. Box, Street, Village, Town, Postal Code etc

Phone (780) *927 3718*

Fax (780) *927 4266*

Email

Incorporation, Registration
or Business No.

89673 6097

Date of Incorporation

January 1, 1995

Key Contact Person

William (Bill) Kostiw

Title

Chief Administrative Officer

Phone (780) *927-3718*

Email

bkostiw@mackenziecounty.com

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name:

Community Corner - Stone

Check one or more of the pillars you think your project addresses:

Economic growth

Rural health delivery

Community capacity, quality of life and infrastructure

Learning and skill development

Project Summary

In a maximum of 2-3 pages, please attach the following information:

- Organization Description:** Who is your Organization? Provide a brief description of your organization and its accomplishments.
- Project description:** What is your project, and how is it new or innovative? Provide a brief, but specific, description of the project scope and what is it intended to accomplish.
- Stakeholders,** supporters, cooperating/collaborating parties and contributing partners: Who is supporting you? Provide full name of all organizations supporting this Expression of Interest and briefly outline their role or involvement in the project.
- Measurable results:** What impact will your project have on your community? Describe project's expected outcomes, benefits, and impacts and how you think they can be measured.
- Timeline:** What is your timeline? Anticipated start date? Describe the major milestone dates for your project.

FUNDING INFORMATION

How much will it cost and how will you pay for it? Identify your support sources and amounts (including cash and in-kind).

SOURCES OF FUNDING	\$ Confirmed	\$ Anticipated	\$ Total
Organization	<i>1,500,000</i>	<i>500,000</i>	<i>2,000,000</i>
Government of Canada			
Government of Alberta			
In-Kind Contributions (specify)*		<i>200,000</i>	<i>200,000</i>
Other			
Total Contribution:			<i>2,200,000</i>
RADF Request:			<i>5,000,000</i>
Total Project Cost:			<i>7,200,000</i>

* materials, labour, equipment

AUTHORIZATION

I certify that the information provided in this Expression of Interest is, to the best of my knowledge, complete, true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Title

Date

William (Bill) Kostiw Chief Administrative Officer June 4/08

- a) **Organization Description:** Who is your Organization? Provide a brief description of your organization and its accomplishments.

Mackenzie County (formerly Municipal District of Mackenzie No. 23) is Alberta's largest rural municipality. Incorporated in 1995, the County comprises 12.5 per cent of Alberta's entire landmass, or about 50,000 square kilometers. It is located in the extreme northwestern corner of the province, 800 kilometers from Edmonton, with county offices in Fort Vermilion, High Level, La Crete and Zama City. The population of the County is 10,002 (2006) which is an increase of approximately 23% from 1998. We also serve a First Nation population of 9,000 as well as a Métis Settlement.

The County offers a mix of arable land within the boreal forest, thus accounting for active agriculture, forestry, and tourism industries. The oil & gas industry plays the most significant role in the area's economy with many national and international energy companies operating in the County.

The proposed project will be taking place in the Hamlet of Zama City, the most northern rural community in northwest Alberta. Zama City is a resource rich community that houses a number of residences and many large and small businesses. Currently, there is a growing permanent population and the transient population reaches up to 8,000 annually for eight months of the year due to the high level of oilfield activity. Several major economic triggers such as the Mackenzie Pipeline, diamond exploration and some philosophical changes in the human resource policies and approaches of the one most active industrial stakeholder are affecting the region, particularly in Zama City. A rise in the permanent population is expected between years 2009-2011. The County is actively involved in the promotion of residential development in order to accommodate the expected growth in this community. By building community capacity and pushing to improve the existing and bring new services to this community, the County is striving to provide the best services and opportunities to the existing residents. We are also aiming to attract new residents, provide better opportunities for economic growth, and to provide better opportunities for youth in this small rural community.

- b) **Project description:** What is your project, and how is it new or innovative? Provide a brief, but specific, description of the project scope and what is it intended to accomplish.

The main goal of the project is to promote sustainable growth, prosperity and quality of life in one of the most remote northern Alberta communities. The best way of achieving this goal is to improve the provision of essential services and provide additional services. For over half a century, Zama City has been plagued with limited or non-existent essential services and programming due to its remoteness and lack of facilities for their provision.

Through the community meetings, Zama City has envisioned a centre, the "corner-stone" of the community, that will adapt to the growing needs of the community by housing as many programs, services and activities under one roof as possible. The "corner-stone" facility will be a functional and self-sustainable initiative that when complete will provide services for many years.

This essential project provides benefits across all four Rural Development Fund (RDF) pillars, and in our opinion, could be designated as a Strategic Flagship Initiative, which could serve as an example for other rural communities.

It is important to mention that in Alberta's true north, we are still struggling to provide some of the most essential services that have been taken for granted in many other Alberta communities. It should also be noted that the resource extraction from the Zama area puts millions of tax dollars in both federal and provincial coffers annually.

This project is innovative as there is no other similar facility currently available in the region that would both improve provision of the basic essential services and provide better opportunities for youth and adults for learning while accommodating community needs. The operating costs for this building will be covered through long-term rental agreements with AADAC, Mental Health, Regional Health Authority, RCMP, and will be partially covered by the local community groups/users and the balance will be contributed by the County.

- c) **Stakeholders**, supporters, cooperating/collaborating parties and contributing partners: Who is supporting you? Provide full name of all organizations supporting this Expression of Interest and briefly outline their role or involvement in the project.

The "corner stone" community multiuse facility in Zama City has many integral partners and supporters. The following organizations will be able to provide the programs and services:

- Regional Health Authority, AADAC, and Mental Health, thus facilitating opportunities to access rural health services;
- RCMP/Correction Office – the nearest detachment is currently located 100 kilometers away and there is no space in the Hamlet for RCMP officers to meet with the public, currently probation officers meet with individuals in public places.
- Mackenzie County – upgraded offices, suitable area for promoting regional growth and working with new business and developers, thus improving community service delivery;
- Zama Community Library (Mackenzie Library Board) –the current one-man County office and the community library are stationed in an extremely old trailer. This building can no longer accommodate the needs of the community and there is no feasible way to upgrade the existing building. This building will most likely be salvaged for other municipal purposes.
- Zama City Recreation Society – currently operating out of a County owned building that was built to accommodate sporting activities; however, has been used for a variety of programs and services for which it is not suited. This existing building has been utilized by the public school as a gymnasium since 1984. The proposed future use is by the school and as a community sports center. The County and the Recreation Society are jointly working on a plan to renovate the existing building.
- FCSS and Child & Family Services Authority and other community groups (improving community capacity). The proposed facility will have a youth activity

centre with services proposed to be delivered through a partnership between FCSS and CFSA.

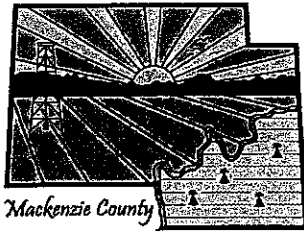
- The County currently has video conferencing capacity in its three other centers; however, there is no facility available in Zama to use this service to its best capacity. This is a very important aspect of the project as it will improve learning and skill development in this community with video conferencing available for everyone for a variety of uses.
- Non-profit child-care services to address the non-existent provision for safe and adequate child care to our desperate rural families.
- These services will also be provided to and facilitate access for the First Nations settlement of Chateh, which is nearby.

d) Measurable results: What impact will your project have on your community? Describe project's expected outcomes, benefits, and impacts and how you think they can be measured.

The impact of this project will be extraordinary for this community. We expect high community satisfaction, improved literacy, improved education for all age groups, healthier Canadians, higher rates of high-school completion, improved rapport between various referencing agencies, that will lead to making Zama City the best overall northern rural community to live, work and raise a family. The development of this "corner stone" facility will definitely improve and support the services of both federal and provincial government agencies.

e) Timeline: What is your timeline? Anticipated start date? Describe the major milestone dates for your project.

1. Design and Engineering Completion – September 2008
2. Tenders Called – November 2008
3. Tenders Awarded – January 2009
4. Construction Start – May 2009
5. Construction Completion – December 2009



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May 27, 2008

Joyce Fehr, Chairperson
La Crete Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
P.O. Box 586
La Crete, Alberta
T0H 2H0

Dear Joyce,

Re: Basic Emergency Management Course

This letter is to inform you that the Basic Emergency Management Course will be taking place in the Town of High Level on September 23, 2008. This course targets, amongst the other groups, Family and Community Support Services and may be beneficial to your organization.

Additional information about this course is attached.

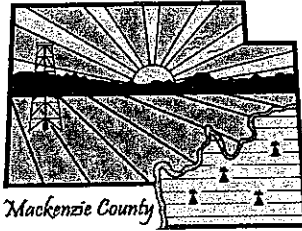
If you have any questions about the course and/or how to register for the course, please contact Brice Daly, District Officer-Northwestern Alberta, Alberta Emergency Management Agency at (780) 538-5295 (or call 310-0000, then the office number for long distance) or by email at brice.daly@gov.ab.ca.

If you require further assistance, please contact me at 927-3718.

Sincerely,


Joulia Whittleton
Director of Corporate Services

Cc: Mackenzie County Council
William Kostiw, CAO



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May 27, 2008

Anne Martens, Chairperson
Fort Vermilion Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
P.O. Box 637
Fort Vermilion, Alberta
T0H 1N0

Dear Anne,

Re: Basic Emergency Management Course

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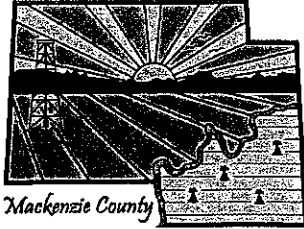
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Sincerely,

Joulia Whittleton
Director of Corporate Services

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May 27, 2008

Greg McIvor, Chairperson
Zama Recreation Society, Family and Community Support Services
P.O. Box 73
Zama City, Alberta
T0H 4E0

Dear Greg,

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Sincerely,

Joulia Whittleton
Director of Corporate Services

Cc: Mackenzie County Council
William Kostiw, CAO

Mackenzie County
2008 Application Summary

Municipal Sustainability Initiative

		2007	2008
		2008 estimated	2008
Capital funding available		1,098,180	1,702,502
Total capital funding available		2,800,682	
Proposed capital projects		Total estimated project cost	MSI funding to be applied
			2008
1	Other municipal buildings and facilities		
CPC 2.l)	La Crete office building project (PP1) Campground improvements & Bear Bins (PP2)	2,210,000 111,400	1,105,000
	Total estimated project cost (50% of costs or \$1,105,000 to be debentured)	2,321,400	1,216,400
2	Equipment & vehicles (one project profile - PP3)		
CPC 2.i)	Replacement of two tandem mounted snow plough attachments for street cleaning Replacement of a snow plough for a tandem gravel truck for highway snow removal Replacement of a rubber tired backhoe/loader Replacement of a truck mounted culvert steamer Landa Purchase of a new pup gravel trailer (14m ³) Replacement of a mower and an offset hitch (flex arm) Replacement of a tandem mounted snow wing attachment Replacement of a box sander for a tandem truck Replacement of a street snow plough and a sanding unit attachment for a two-ton truck	26,000 10,000 80,000 22,000 30,000 36,000 15,000 75,000 76,000	26,000 10,000 80,000 22,000 30,000 36,000 15,000 75,000 76,000
	Total estimated project cost	370,000	370,000
3	Municipal roadways - streets and roads construction and reconstruction		
CPC 2.a)	Blumenort Road - reconstruction and storm water management (3 miles) (PP4) La Crete North Road - reconstruction of 2 miles north from 100th Street and Hwy 697 intersection (PP5) Rocky Lane Road - reconstruction of 2 miles of road (PP6) Hellport Road - reconstruction, base and pave of 1 mile of road (PP7)	250,000 600,000 200,000 330,000	250,000 600,000 200,000 330,000
	Total estimated project cost	1,380,000	1,380,000
4	Solid waste management facilities and equipment		
CPC 2.g)	Bins replacement (PP8)	56,500	56,500
	Total estimated project cost	56,500	56,500
5	Environmental Energy Improvements		
CPC 2.k)	Street lighting (PP9)	50,000	50,000
	Total estimated project cost	50,000	50,000
Total MSI capital funding applied to the projects			3,072,900
Capital funds remaining			272,218

**Municipal Sustainability Initiative
2008 Conditional Operating Project Profile
For the Period January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008**

Municipality Information	
Municipality Name	Mackenzie County
Address	P.O. Box 640, Fort Vermilion, Alberta, T0H 1N0
Contact Name	William (Bill) Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Telephone	(780) 927-3718

Office Use Only
Municipal Code
Project Profile No.

- All funding from the 2008 program year, and any funding carried forward from 2007, must be used by December 31, 2008.

Project Information

- Project Name Dust Control Program
- Select one of the following categories that best fits your project:
 - Planning activities
 - Municipal administration (e.g. staff training, municipal building maintenance, software upgrades)
 - Non-profit organizations
 - Municipal services (e.g. recreational programming, garbage collection, regional services commission fees)
 - Other (Please identify) _____
 - This project involves: (select one)
 - Your municipality only
 - Two or more municipalities
- Describe the Project. (Point form is acceptable. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)
 The project is the dust control program within the County - application of Calcium Gold and DL10 products on the roads for the purposes of dust control. The total 2008 operating budget includes \$495,000 for the annual dust control program with \$110,593 proposed to be funded through MSI. Major areas of application - in front of the rural public schools, on the unpaved road ways within the Hamlets of Fort Vermilion, La Crete and Zama, and on the passing zones on the Zama Access Road (high volume of accidents on this road is due to dust).
- Describe how this Project will support the long-term sustainability of your municipality. (Point form is acceptable. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)
 This project will provide road stabilization (prolonging useful life of a road) and improve safety on the roads, as well as create a healthier atmosphere for all ratepayers.

Grant Allocation (please round all amounts to the nearest dollar)

5. a) 2007 Conditional Operating Funding carry forward (if applicable):	\$ 184,568
b) 2008 Conditional Operating Funding grant allocation:	\$ 259,059
c) Total available Conditional Operating Funding grant allocation:	\$ 443,627
d) Grant amount allocated to this Project Profile*:	\$ 110,593
e) Grant amount allocated to other 2008 Project Profiles ** :	\$ 333,034

*Amount in 5(d) must be equal to the total operating expenses described in Question 6.

**The sum of 5(d) and 5(e) must equal 5(c).

6. Provide or attach a detailed breakdown of the *operating expenses* that the grant will be funding in 2008 in support of the Project described in this Profile.

Operating Expenses	Grant Allocation
Dust Control Program	\$ 110,593
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
Total**	\$ 110,593

**Total must be equal to the total grant applied in Question 5(d).

Certification

I certify that the information contained in this Project Profile is correct, that these expenses have not been deemed eligible on a prior Project Profile, and that the allocated grant amount will be applied to the operating expenses in 2008 as described once determined to be qualifying by the Minister.

 Signature of Chief Administrative Officer

 May 28, 2008
 Date of Signature

William (Bill) Kostiw
 Print Name

 (780) 927-3718
 Telephone Number (include area code)

Final Steps

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- the Project Profile has been signed, and
- if your municipality is allocating funds to a non-profit organization or municipal grant funding board, additional documentation is required. See Schedule 3 of the MSI Operating Guidelines for details.

If you have any questions, please call (780) 427-2225 or toll-free by first dialing 310-0000.

Return completed Project Profiles by **June 1, 2008** to:

Alberta Municipal Affairs
 Municipal Services Branch
 Municipal Grants and Information Services Unit
 17th Floor, 10155 – 102 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4L4
 or by fax: (780) 422-9133

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MA1384 (2008/03)

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Municipal Code
Project Profile No.

- All funding from the 2008 program year, and any funding carried forward from 2007, must be used by December 31, 2008.

Project Information

1. Project Name Offsite levies - engineering review, including water and sewer management plans draft

2. a) Select one of the following categories that best fits your project:

- Planning activities
- Municipal administration (e.g. staff training, municipal building maintenance, software upgrades)
- Non-profit organizations
- Municipal services (e.g. recreational programming, garbage collection, regional services commission fees)
- Other (Please identify) _____

2. b) This project involves: (select one)

- Your municipality only
- Two or more municipalities

3. Describe the Project. (Point form is acceptable. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

This project is a review of the municipal offsite levies by engineers. This process will involve reviewing and updating the County's water/sewer management plans for each hamlet. This project is to be undertaken in conjunction with the County's Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw reviews that are currently underway.

4. Describe how this Project will support the long-term sustainability of your municipality. (Point form is acceptable. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

This project will provide the County with the updated offsite levies amounts. The County sets these funds aside towards future municipal projects, and therefore this project will support the long-term sustainability of the County.

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Project Information

1. Project Name Operating of Parks and Playgrounds located within the County

2. a) Select one of the following categories that best fits your project:

- Planning activities
- Municipal administration (e.g. staff training, municipal building maintenance, software upgrades)
- Non-profit organizations
- Municipal services (e.g. recreational programming, garbage collection, regional services commission fees)
- Other (Please identify) _____

2. b) This project involves: (select one)

- Your municipality only
- Two or more municipalities

3. Describe the Project. (Point form is acceptable. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

This project consist of the operating activities of the County's Parks & Playgrounds department.

4. Describe how this Project will support the long-term sustainability of your municipality. (Point form is acceptable. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

The provision of recreational services and timely maintenance of the municipal parks and playgrounds will improve public safety, help meeting and satisfying the current residents' needs and wishes, attract new residents, increase tourism to the County, and which will help build a healthier, stronger community spirit and in turn will assist our municipality in the long-term sustainability.

Grant Allocation (please round all amounts to the nearest dollar)

5. a) 2007 Conditional Operating Funding carry forward (if applicable):	\$ 184,568
b) 2008 Conditional Operating Funding grant allocation:	\$ 259,059
c) Total available Conditional Operating Funding grant allocation:	\$ 443,627
d) Grant amount allocated to this Project Profile*:	\$ 285,934
e) Grant amount allocated to other 2008 Project Profiles ** :	\$ 157,693

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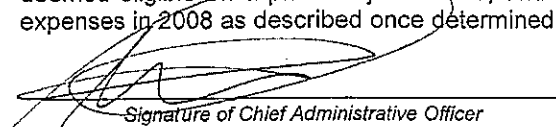
6. Provide or attach a detailed breakdown of the *operating expenses* that the grant will be funding in 2008 in support of the Project described in this Profile.

Operating Expenses	Grant Allocation
Wages, salaries, benefits, WCB	\$ 154,244
Contracted and professional services	\$ 88,390
Materials, goods & supplies	\$ 43,300
	\$
	\$
	\$
Total**	\$ 285,934

**Total must be equal to the total grant applied in Question 5(d).

Certification

I certify that the information contained in this Project Profile is correct, that these expenses have not been deemed eligible on a prior Project Profile, and that the allocated grant amount will be applied to the operating expenses in 2008 as described once determined to be qualifying by the Minister.



 Signature of Chief Administrative Officer
 May 28, 2008

 Date of Signature

William (Bill) Kostiw

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 (780) 9273718

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"Direct Delivery" Grant Reporting Template

This document is to be used by municipalities who deliver ambulance services directly to the public and must be returned completed to Alberta Health and Wellness by May 30, 2008. (Municipalities who contribute to an authority, board, commission, society or contracted provider must use the "Payment for Services" grant reporting template.)

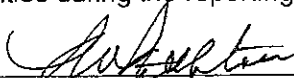
Name of Municipality MacKenzie County


Reporting Period - April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008

<u>1. Revenues</u>			
Direct Patient Revenues		1a	\$ 284,556.10
Inter-facility Transfer Revenues (show each RHA separately)			
RHA <u>Northern Lights Health Region</u>	\$ 21,203.83		
RHA _____	\$ _____		
RHA _____	\$ _____		
Total Inter-Facility Transfer Revenue	----->	1b	\$ 21,203.83
Other Ambulance Service Revenues		1c	\$ 21,422.33
Contract fees received from other municipalities (use an additional sheet if required)			
Municipality 1 _____	\$ _____		
Municipality 2 _____	\$ _____		
Municipality 3 _____	\$ _____		
Municipality 4 _____	\$ _____		
Municipality 5 _____	\$ _____		
Municipality 6 _____	\$ _____		
Municipality 7 _____	\$ _____		
Municipality 8 _____	\$ _____		
Total Contract Fees	----->	1d	\$ _____
2007/2008 Alberta Health & Wellness Grant Allocation		1e	\$ 226,672.00
Total Revenues		1f	\$ 553,854.22

2. Eligible Expenses			(Show as negative values)
Human Resources Costs			
Staff Cost, Ambulance Operations (see notes)	2a	\$	1,599,438.04
Staff Cost, Operations Support (training, public relations, etc)	2b	\$	144,883.18
Staff Cost, Administration	2c	\$	83,731.67
Facility Costs			
Amortized Capital Cost, Reserve, Mortgage/Rent/Lease	2d	\$	92,378.12
Utilities, Facility Repairs & Maintenance	2e	\$	71,253.62
Vehicle Operation Costs			
Amortized Capital Costs; Reserve; Loan/Lease Payments	2f	\$	68,881.00
Fuel Costs	2g	\$	33,524.78
Maintenance & Repairs	2h	\$	23,842.48
Ambulance Equipment Costs			
Patient Care Supplies and Equipment Under \$5000	2i	\$	81,344.87
Capital Equipment - Amortized Cost, Items \$5000 and Over	2j	\$	14,857.00
Insurance Costs			
Vehicle	2k	\$	17,610.77
Malpractice	2l	\$	4,248.51
Other Insurance (building, contents, equipment, etc)	2m	\$	2,146.79
Ambulance Dispatch Costs	2n	\$	45,496.63
Sub-Total	2o	\$	2,283,637.46
All Other Expenses - not reported in 2a - 2n (if this amount is more than 5% of Line 2o, provide detailed explanation; see Notes)	2p	\$	60,531.31
Total Expenses for Ambulance Services	2q	\$	(2,344,168.77)
Plus Total Revenues (from Line 1f)	2r	\$	553,854.22
Surplus (Deficit) from Operations - (Line 2q plus Line 2r)	2s	\$	(1,790,314.55)

I have reviewed this and related reports, and attest this is an accurate account of our ambulance service financial activities during the reporting period of April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.


 Chief/Senior Financial Officer


 Date

3. Operational Reporting

Within Your Own Municipality

3a	Number of Emergency Ambulance Calls (events, incidents)	<u>445</u>
3b	Number of Ambulance Unit Responses	<u>595</u>
3c	Number of Patients Transported	<u>516</u>
3d	Population served	<u>10,002</u>
3e	Gross cost per capita	<u>234.37</u>
3f	Net cost per capita	<u>178.99</u>
3g	Number of Inter-facility Transfers	<u>60</u>

Service provided to other municipalities (as reported in financial template)

	Municipality 1	Municipality 2, etc.
3h	Number of Emergency Ambulance Calls (events, incidents)	<u>27</u>
3i	Number of Ambulance Unit Responses	<u>27</u>
3j	Number of Patients Transported	<u>22</u>
3k	Population Served	<u> </u>
3l	Per Capita Requisitioned	<u> </u>
3m	Number of Inter-facility Transfers	<u>0</u>

I have reviewed this and related reports and attest this is an accurate account of our ambulance service activities during the reporting period of April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.

Chief Administrative Officer

June 1, 2008
Date

CAO REPORT TO COUNCIL
June 10, 2008

This report is an overview of Mackenzie County business affairs, operations and significant projects. The approval of the 2008 operating and capital budgets set the stage for a very busy construction season. Also, the provincial government budget and confusion between federal and provincial funding causes us a great deal of work and concern as to lack of clear direction on funding and policy. The combination of our own significant project work and the uncertainty with provincial policy will really be a challenge for Council and staff in 2008.

I suggest Council take some time very soon to collectively discuss the strategy Council wishes to follow in regards to some of the provincial policies or lack of some. We also need to set a firm date for a policy and strategic planning workshop.

The following is a brief overview of our significant projects and events.

1. Resource Roads

- a. La Crete 99th street and the north/south access project is nearing completion. The project covered a lot of territory including the south access and 94th avenue improvements.
- b. Zama Tower Road (07) is just under construction and completion is estimated in early August.
- c. Zama Access Road (08) has just been granted and we are preparing a tender for late June 2008.
- d. Resource road applications will be resubmitted. Highway 88 connector will likely get approval for 2009 if the power plant project gets started. We will provide Council with the qualifying roads for approval.

2. Storm Water & Surface Water Management

- a. Correction line/Wolfe Lake road project is being designed and should be out for construction in July. We are still reviewing options of tendering or construction proposals. The project will serve as a road upgrade and water management. Estimated construction cost - \$700,000.00
- b. Blumenort east road and drainage project will start as soon as weather permits and will be by construction proposals contract. Estimated construction cost - \$250,000.00

- c. Buffalo Head Prairie/697 project needs to be a tendered project for storm water management with \$50,000 from Alberta Transportation. Final plans are still being drafted. Estimated construction cost - \$100,000.00
- d. Fort Vermilion south (east) water management project plans are being reviewed and construction is planned for August/September 2008. Estimated construction cost - \$250,000.00
- e. High Level east water management project is designed and construction will start as soon as water levels permit. Project will be by contract and will be completed this summer. Estimated construction cost - \$60,000.00
- f. Blue Hills water management is being reviewed and a draft plan will be submitted for Council review.
- g. La Crete north (Krahn) water management project is being worked on and plans should be ready for July/August construction. This project will accommodate building 100th street north of La Crete to the cemetery. Estimated construction cost - \$50,000.00
- h. Small water management projects – several projects are under review and with area Councillor input some works will be completed (ie. Boyer River bridge access erosion).
- i. Zama Access Road emergency replacement of a large culvert that washed out is in progress at km 17.

3. General Roads & Streets

- a. La Crete north - 2 km of regrade, base, culverts and gravel. This project is being designed by EXH and will be out for tender early July for construction completion this fall. Estimated cost - \$500,000.00
- b. Rocky Lane – 2 km of reconstruction and gravelling. This project will be several sections of regrading, culvert replacement and gravelling. Estimated cost - \$200,000.00
- c. Heliport Road – Highway 35 East – 1.2 km. This is a high traffic volume road and it will be a base and pavement project. Tender documents are being prepared by EXH for construction this summer. Estimated cost - \$500,000.00
- d. La Crete 98th avenue – 6 blocks of reconstruction, storm sewer, power replacement and base paving to urban standards. This project is being designed and tendered by EXH for construction start this year and completion in 2009. Estimated total cost - \$3,200,000.00

- e. La Crete 102nd avenue – 4 blocks for reconstruction, storm sewer and base pavement. This project has been partially awarded and is under construction. EXH is preparing tender documents for the extension to 94th avenue. The entire project will be completed in 2008. Estimated construction cost - \$2,000,000.00
- f. Fort Vermilion Mackenzie Housing (2 km) including 45th street. This is a base paving project from rural to urban standards. The project has been tendered and construction will start in June 2008. Completion in the fall of 2009. Estimated cost - \$2,000,000.00
- g. Several other rural and urban projects are being worked on and will be reported on when final plans are in place.

4. Buildings

- a. La Crete regional municipal office building. This project is being designed and tenders will be out for August/September 2008 with construction completion in 2009. Estimated cost \$2,210,000.00
- b. Zama regional municipal office and multi-use building. This project is under preliminary design and final design will be subject to funding sources being confirmed.
- c. Fort Vermilion corporate municipal office. This project is a rehab of the existing building plus a small extension. No plans have been confirmed and the committee will meet soon to discuss architects and plans. Estimated cost - \$750,000.00
- d. Other buildings. Several other buildings need repair or replacement and minor repairs are underway. A report will be submitted to Council once plans are in place and some business matters are settled.

5. Equipment

- Several major equipment units were approved in the budget and tenders will be submitted to Council for approval as they become ready.

6. Planning & Development

- The Land Use Bylaw (LUB) and the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) are being worked on and a draft should be ready for Council in July 2008.
- We are also working on a plan to fit the new High Level agreement.

7. Personnel

- For discussion and review in-camera. (ie. AUPE)
- Note – CAO review on June 25, 2008.

8. Intermunicipal Projects, Special Projects & Health

- For discussion and review in-camera. (ie. doctors, ambulance, highways, etc.)

9. Engineering & Consultants

- In-camera discussion.

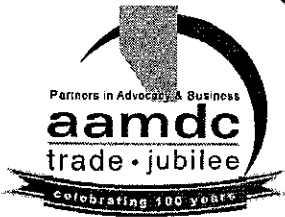
In summary, the year 2008 has certainly been busy, interesting, challenging and promises to be a year of transition. I look forward to Councils dialogue and directive on the above matters as well as other County affairs Council wishes to raise.

Thank you.

William Kostiw
CAO

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MEMBER BULLETIN

June 6, 2008

The AAMDC's Centennial Commemorative Book – Deadline Approaching

The AAMDC has commissioned a commemorative book to be released in conjunction with the Fall 2008 Centennial Celebration. Derek Drager and Stephen Scriver have partnered to deliver this distinctive historical account of rural municipalities in Alberta and the contributions of the AAMDC. The book will be a celebration of rural Alberta—alive with pictures, stories, and quotes.

As the writer, Stephen's objective is to look beyond the history of your municipality to find the story of your true rural roots. In order to help us with this important project, we request your assistance in responding as quickly as possible. Don't miss out on your opportunity to be part of the AAMDC's Centennial book!

The AAMDC would like to remind and encourage members to participate by completing the questionnaire distributed by our writer, Stephen Scriver, or by designating someone to take a moment to have a short interview with him. Stephen can be contacted at (780) 450.5735 or by email at scriver@telusplanet.net. **The deadline for your municipality's input is Friday, June 20.** Once your information has been received, a process for verifying factual accuracy will be undertaken.

Additionally, the AAMDC is seeking photographs to help illustrate municipal history within the book. Ideally, there would be no more than four submissions from each municipality – two that are historical in nature and two that are more current. All photographs must have a resolution of at least 300 dots per inch, or dpi. In addition, the authors are asking that the submissions not focus on municipal councils or personnel, but that they instead focus on more "slice of life" subjects, landscapes, or points of interest. **The deadline for submission has been extended to Friday, June 20.** Photos can be sent directly to Stephen or to Michelle Hay at michelle@aamdc.com.

For your reference, a list of counties and municipal districts with missing information and/or photos is attached.

Enquiries may be directed to:

Gerald Rhodes
Executive Director
(780) 955.4077

Michelle Hay
Advocacy and Resolutions Coordinator
(780) 955.4085

MUNICIPALITIES YET TO RESPOND

Birch Hills /County
Cardston County
Clearwater County
County of Athabasca
County of Lethbridge
County of Stettler
County of Thorhild
County of Two Hills
County of Vermilion River
Cypress County
Flagstaff County
Lac La Biche County
Lamont County
Mackenzie County
MD of Bonnyville
MD of Fairview

MD of Foothills
MD of Greenview
MD of Lesser Slave River
MD of Pincher Creek
MD of Provost
MD of Wainwright
MD of Spirit River
Ponoka County
RM of Wood Buffalo
Saddle Hills County
Smoky Lake County
Sturgeon County
Vulcan County
Westlock County
Wheatland County
Yellowhead County

LOGOS REQUIRED

Brazeau
Barrhead
Grande Prairie

Lac Ste. Anne
Lacombe County
Rocky View

BOTH HISTORIC AND MODERN PHOTOS REQUIRED

Clear Hills
Clearwater
Athabasca
Greenview
Mackenzie
Northern Sunrise

Parkland
Ranchland
Saddle Hills
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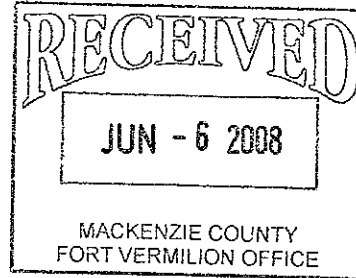
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Bighorn
Bonnyville
Fairview

Foothills
Pincher Creek
Provost
Smoky River
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Crowsnest Pass
Ponoka
Smoky Lake
Vulcan
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June 2, 2008

Box 350
La Crete, Alberta
T0H 2H0
Phone: 780-928-4349
Fax: 780-928-4345

Reeve Greg Newman and Council
Mackenzie County
Box 640
Fort Vermilion, Alberta
T0H 1N0



Dear Reeve and Council,

Grand Opening of Phase III
Heimstaed Lodge, La Crete

The Mackenzie Housing Management Board in La Crete, Alberta extends an invitation to you to attend the grand opening of phase III in the Heimstaed Lodge. Phase III was built to accommodate an increasing number of seniors with dementia or Alzheimers and is the only facility like this in this region.

The celebrations will begin at 2:00 p.m. July 11, 2008. We would be honored to have you in attendance at the celebration of this major milestone.

Please advise Mrs. Helen Braun, Chief Administrative Officer of your availability to attend at (780) 928-4349 and of any special requirements you may have.

I look forward to seeing you at our event.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "W. Schroeder".

Wally Schroeder
Board Chair



Mackenzie County
PO Box 640, Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0
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Toll Free: 1-877-927-0677 Email: office@mackenziecounty.com

June 5, 2008

Donald Johnson, AAMD&C President
2510 Sparrow Drive
Nisku, AB
T9E 8N5

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Re: Final Report of the AAMD&C-AUMA Advisory Committee on Aboriginal Issues

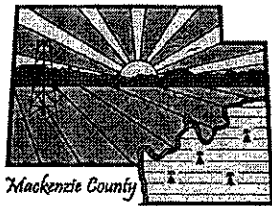
The final report of the AAMD&C-AUMA Advisory Committee on Aboriginal issues was completed on August 22, 2005 which included various recommendations.

Mackenzie County Council is requesting an update on this report and if any further action was taken with respect to these recommendations.

Sincerely,

Greg Newman
Reeve

Cc: Mackenzie County Council



Mackenzie County

P.O. Box 640, Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0
Phone (780) 927-3718 Fax (780) 927-4266
www.mackenziecounty.com

June 9, 2008

Mr. Deon Wilner
Manager
ISL Engineering & Land Services
Suite 100
7909-51 Avenue NW
Edmonton, AB
T6E 5L9

Dear Mr. Wilner:

This letter is to confirm the County's concerns regarding safety and site control at the Zama Water Treatment Plant project. I inspected the site and discussed the project with the local Councillor and several citizens on June 8, 2008. It seems that very limited project control is in place and that excessive "partying" is a regular occurrence. Workers are up late every day then going to work with very little rest and possibly still under the influence.

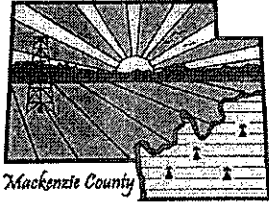
The County requests that ISL Engineering fully take charge of this project and advise us of your remedial action. The County is extremely concerned about this and we trust you or ISL senior management will take immediate action to investigate the situation. Perhaps we can review the matter in Zama on June 12, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Yours truly,

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

pc: Council
Taylor Green, Nason Contracting



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June 9, 2008

Mr. Donald Saunders
Bridge Manager
Alberta Transportation – Peace River
3rd Floor Provincial Building
9621-96 Avenue
Peace River, AB
T8S 1T4

Dear Mr. Saunders:

RE: ADAIR CREEK CULVERT – KM 17 ZAMA ROAD

This letter is an urgent request for funding on a large culvert that washed out on the Zama Access Road. The site was inspected by myself on June 8, 2008 and the culvert is scoured out about halfway through the road causing the road to collapse. This is a very serious situation as it is the only usable access to Zama and the problem needs to be fixed very soon.

The current two culverts are approximately 1200 mm and 800 mm; however, they are extremely inadequate as the road has been flooding over several times in the past year.

Therefore, we are requesting that this become an Alberta Transportation Bridge File and it will likely require a new 1500 – 1800 mm pipe. EXH Engineering is currently inspecting the site and preparing a report.

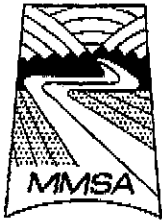
Thank you and we look forward to your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at (780) 927-3718.

Yours truly,

William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer

Attach.

pc: Mark Schwab, EXH Engineering Services Ltd. – Grimshaw
Lisa Wardley, Councillor
Dave Crichton, Regional Supervisor



Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency

P.O. Box 450, Berwyn AB T0H 0E0

Fax TO ALL MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS

To:		From:	MMSA
Fax:		Pages:	5 (including cover page)
Phone:	Development	Date:	June 5, 2008
Re:	Agreement Seminar	CC:	

Urgent For Review Please Comment Please Reply

● Comments:

THIS MAY BE OF INTEREST TO DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS, MPC MEMBERS OR COUNCIL MEMBERS AS WELL.

THE MACKENZIE MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGENCY IS
SPONSORING A ONE-DAY SEMINAR DEALING WITH

**DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS
DEVELOPMENT OF ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LAND
CONDOMINIUM BASICS**

THE SEMINAR WILL BE LED BY **RODD THORKELSSON** FROM
THE FIRM OF **BROWNLEE LLP**.

DATE: MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2008

TIME: 10:00 A.M TO 3:30 P.M.

LOCATION: POMEROY HOTEL
GRIMSHAW, AB.

FEES: \$175.00 PER REGISTRANT

ATTACHED IS THE PROPOSED OUTLINE FOR THE SEMINAR
WHICH COVERS SOME VERY IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THESE
DEVELOPMENT ISSUES.

Pre-registration is required **prior to June 16th**. Please complete the
attached registration form and return to:

Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency
P.O. Box 450, Berwyn, AB T0H 0E0
Fax: 780-338-3811

(If you require additional information - please call 780-338-3862)

MACKENZIE MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGENCY

SEMINAR - DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS

Monday, June 23, 2008

Pomeroy Hotel, Grimshaw, Alberta

10:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME:

MUNICIPALITY:

Registration Fee: \$175.00 per registrant

PAYMENT:

CHEQUE

INVOICE

Please submit to the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency by June 16th.
Mail: P.O. Box 450, Berwyn, Alberta, T0H 0E0
Fax: 780-338-3811

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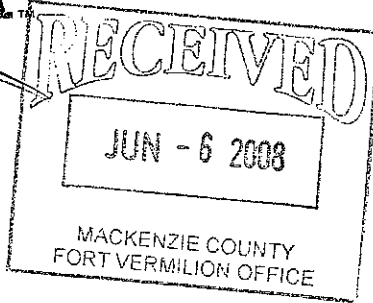
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ENCANA



June 2, 2008

Reeve Bill Neufeld
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Dear Mr. Neufeld,

I am writing to personally inform you that EnCana recently announced its Board of Directors unanimously approved a proposal to restructure into two highly focused North American energy companies—a pure-play natural gas company and an integrated oil company.

Under the proposed transaction, currently targeted for early 2009, EnCana's Canadian Foothills and USA operating divisions will form a pure-play natural gas company aimed at growing existing high-potential resource plays in Canada and the United States. The integrated oil company will encompass EnCana's Integrated Oil and Canadian Plains divisions. It will focus on the development of the company's Canadian oilsands assets and refinery assets in the United States, underpinned by a well-established natural gas and oil production base in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Each of these companies will be large, Calgary-headquartered enterprises with strong, visible growth profiles, competitive cost structures and solid financial positions. Based on expected market values, both companies would be among Canada's 20 largest corporations and among the top six energy companies in Canada.

The strong capital investment programs planned for major projects and activity on all existing EnCana projects will continue. This transaction is expected to have minimal impact on EnCana's employees, operations, suppliers, business partners and community stakeholders. No job losses are expected as a result of this transition to two companies. During the reorganization, EnCana will conduct its business as usual, honouring all business relationships, commitments and obligations.

A copy of the news release announcing this transaction is attached. Updated information will be available on our website www.encana.com.

Should you wish to discuss the proposed transaction with me please call me at (403) 645-3802 or via email cameron.cline@encana.com.

Sincerely,

ENCANA CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cameron Cline".

Cameron Cline, P.Eng.
Business Services
Canadian Plains Division

Hospitals targeted

Underused facilities may be converted to seniors care centres

Michelle Lang

Calgary Herald; Canwest News Service

Saturday, June 07, 2008

CALGARY - Some small hospitals could be turned into seniors care centres or walk-in health facilities, Health Minister Ron Liepert said Friday.

His comments followed a newly released audit which suggested several rural hospitals should be converted to other uses.

The wide-ranging \$2.2-million review of health care in rural Alberta, commissioned for the provincial government, questions the efficiency of at least nine hospitals that either serve small numbers of patients or are located near larger cities.

The audit recommends reviewing whether the hospitals should continue operating and in some cases suggests converting portions of the facilities to alternative uses, such as long-term care.

Liepert said Friday the province will consider the role of smaller hospitals as he moves to reform Alberta's \$13-billion-a-year medical system.

"Hospitals that exist today may exist in a different form tomorrow," he said.

"If you have a current acute facility that frankly isn't providing standard acute care, let's turn it into something else that actually does provide what it's supposed to be doing." The Deloitte reviews found examples of inefficient hospitals in nearly all the audited regions, including: w Aspen Health Region. The audit found small numbers of patients and low surgery volumes at several sites and recommends potentially shifting some hospital beds to continuing care for seniors. Specifically, Deloitte suggests reviewing the roles of the Swan Hills facility and the Athabasca Healthcare Centre, where patients are only occupying about half the available space.

w David Thompson Health Region. The report recommends considering the number of hospital sites and examining current services in the face of staffing problems and aging facilities w East Central Health Region. The auditors found many hospitals in the region are "without critical mass to provide efficient acute and emergency service" and calls on the region to assess the sustainability of their current roles. The Vermilion hospital, for example, was housing several patients who didn't require hospital stays.

w Peace Country Health. The report found the Beaverlodge facility is aging, has too few patients and is located near the Queen Elizabeth II hospital in Grand Prairie. The auditors recommend considering other types of care in Beaverlodge, such as rehabilitation or palliative care.

w Northern Lights Health Region. The audit recommends reconsidering programs at St.



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Alfred Saddleback, from Hobbema, stands outside the Wetaskiwin Hospital. First Nations residents are calling for a task force to examine aboriginal health care in the province: Part 2 of an Edmonton Journal-Calgary Herald health-care report / A3

Theresa hospital and the Rainbow Lake Health Centre.

w Chinook Health Region. The review suggests reviewing the role of the Fort Macleod health centre in the "context of sustainability," in part because of staffing shortages. Fort Macleod has already lost its status as a hospital.

w In some cases, the audit recommended increasing services at rural hospitals, suggesting they could handle larger volumes of surgeries and patients. At the Pincher Creek Hospital, for example, the auditors recommended creating a regional obstetrics hub.

The release of the audits comes as Liepert restructures the province's medical system, including eliminating the nine health region boards last month and replacing them with a single superboard.

Health groups and government critics said the proposed changes amount to rural hospital closures.

"If you take active-care hospitals and turn them into long-term care, it's pretty clear to me those are closures," said NDP Leader Brian Mason.

"They have to be very strongly justified." Friends of Medicare officials said rural residents should be concerned about losing access to hospital care.

"Every kilometre you are further away from an acute facility, the more dangerous it could be in a catastrophic event or a medical emergency," said David Eggen, executive director of Friends of Medicare.

Ken Hughes, chairman of the superboard, refused to speculate about any hospital closures, but said the board will take the audits into consideration as it takes over delivery of health care in the province.

Liepert said he doesn't want to spread fears about hospital closures. The province will simply consider what services are provided at the facilities, he said.

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**Mackenzie County Report to the
Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum
June 6, 2008**

Good morning ladies and gentlemen, what a great day to meet our neighbours and review some of our common goals.

Towns

We are especially pleased to report that the Town of High Level and the County have reached an understanding on a long term Inter-municipal Agreement. An MOU has been signed and our administration is working on the detailed agreement for signing by both Councils. This agreement is similar to the one we have with our other municipal partner, the Town of Rainbow Lake. We certainly appreciate the spirit of cooperation and support we receive from both towns. We are also making a stronger effort to work with our First Nations communities on several projects like regional water, major roads, and preserving natural and wildlife areas. The County certainly sees many benefits and opportunities for all levels of "government" to cooperate and collaborate, especially on mutually beneficial projects.

General

Generally speaking the business affairs of the County are in good order; however, we have a few concerns and projects we would like to advance on. We believe these projects require inter-municipal and senior government cooperation in order for them to

be a “win-win” situation. The County is making every effort to ensure that we get our fair share of funding and federal/provincial assistance.

Forestry

The closing of the Footner OSB mill is of great concern and we are making every effort to work with government and the mill owners to get the mill back into production. We understand that Tolko is renewing their operations which is appreciated. These mills are very important to our overall economy and employment of our people and the County will help wherever possible.

Oil & Gas

The County is certainly thankful for the strong oil and gas industry and we are working with this industry to improve roads and services to accommodate sustained production and get product to markets (sulphur).

Roads & Utilities

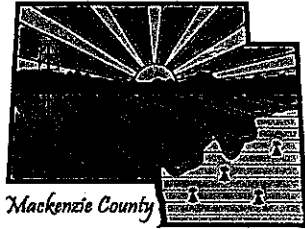
The County's biggest ongoing challenge is to build and maintain a good, safe infrastructure of roads, provide clean safe drinking water along with other utilities. The cost of these types of projects is skyrocketing and we are also facing increased volumes and weight of traffic and significant increased use of potable water. This year we are completing several large road projects such as the La Crete north and south access re-paving, the paving of Tower Road in Zama, the paving of Mackenzie Housing subdivision in Fort Vermilion, and reconstruction of Phase 1 of Heliport Road. The

Zama new water treatment plant is currently under construction and we are upgrading the Fort Vermilion and La Crete plants. We are also looking into regional water and rural water projects.

The County is anxious to work with all of you including our MLA and MP to move forward on several large projects, some of which are: paving Highway 88, construction of Highway 58 east, implementing the regional water system and developing a rural water system.

In summary, the County sees great opportunities in our whole region and by working together we will be able to provide stronger, safer, more vibrant communities and be prepared for the tremendous growth we anticipate over the next decade.

Thank you and we would be pleased to answer any questions or discuss any matters the assembly may wish.



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Bylaw 677/08 – Borrowing Bylaw for the construction of the La Crete Office Building

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The 2008 capital budget includes \$2,210,000 estimated for the construction of the new La Crete office building.

50% of the estimated cost or \$1,105,000 is proposed to be funded by debenture.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Under the MGA, a borrowing must be authorized by a bylaw.

Please review the attached draft Bylaw 677/08.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

NA

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That first reading be given to Bylaw 677/08 being a borrowing bylaw for construction of the La Crete office building.

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO 

BYLAW NO. 677/08
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 County to incur indebtedness by the issuance of debenture(s) up to a maximum of \$1,105,000, for the purpose of financing the construction of the La Crete office building.

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 construction of the La Crete office building 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 \$2,210,000; and

WHEREAS, in order to complete the project it will be necessary for the County to borrow the sum of \$1,105,000 for a period not to exceed 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 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the principal amount of the outstanding debt of the County at December 31, 2007 is \$6,634,864 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 construction of the La Crete office building the sum of **One Million One Hundred and Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,105,000)** 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 construction of the La Crete office building.
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.

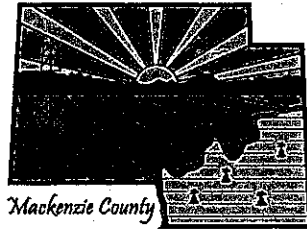
READ a first time this day of , 2008.

READ a second time this day of , 2008.

READ a third time and finally passed this day of , 2008.

REEVE

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT



MACKENZIE COUNTY

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Tax Write Off – Zama Vacant Non-Residential Lots – Tax Rolls 81637, 81638, 81639, 81646, 81649, 81659, 81660, 81661, 81662, 81663, 81664, 81665, 81666, 81667, 81668, 81669, 81670, 81671, 81672

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Council has established a minimum levy for vacant residential properties at \$200 per lot and vacant non-residential properties at \$400 per lot in 2007.

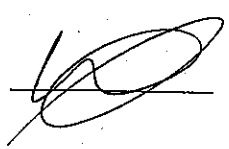
OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The 2007 tax levy for one of our Zama ratepayers included a minimum municipal levy of \$400 for each of his 19, newly developed, vacant non-residential lots located in the Hamlet of Zama. The condition of the approved developing permit was that these lots be consolidated into a one lot.

Since no consolidation was done prior to issuance of the 2007 tax and assessment notice, these tax rolls were affected by the introduction of the minimum tax rates (applying the regular tax rate would give a lower tax amount than the minimum of \$400). As a result, the ratepayer was charged \$7,600 in municipal taxes vs. \$903.28 that would have been charged if a minimum levy was not implemented.

The ratepayer has agreed to pay the adjusted total of \$1,301.62 in place of the original amount requested of \$7,998.36.

Council has authority under the MGA to cancel or reduce tax arrears.

Author: _____ Review By: _____ CAO 

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

If Council approves, \$6,696.74 in municipal tax will be written off to the Tax Cancellation/Write Offs code (included in the 2008 operating budget).

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion 1:

That the \$6,696.74 difference in municipal taxes calculated at the 2007 mill rate and calculated at the established minimum of \$400 per vacant non-residential lot for the 81637, 81638, 81639, 81646, 81649, 81659, 81660, 81661, 81662, 81663, 81664, 81665, 81666, 81667, 81668, 81669, 81670, 81671, 81672 tax rolls be written off.

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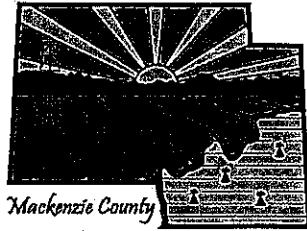
All Roll #'s
 All Tax Classes
 From Assessment Code 255 to 256.
 Annual Assessment
 Taxation Year 2007
 Assessment Base General

Assessment Code	Roll #	Land	Buildings	Other	Total	Class	Short	Legal Description
General 255								
1	81637	4,380	0	0	0	4,380 NONRE	18,04	,9624275
2	81638	4,430	0	0	0	4,430 NONRE	19,04	,9624275
3	81639	4,430	0	0	0	4,430 NONRE	20,04	,9624275
4	81646	4,190	0	0	0	4,190 NONRE	27,04	,9624275
5	81649	4,500	0	0	0	4,500 NONRE	1,18	,9624275
6	81659	4,510	0	0	0	4,510 NONRE	11,18	,9624275
7	81660	4,500	0	0	0	4,500 NONRE	12,18	,9624275
8	81661	4,440	0	0	0	4,440 NONRE	1,19	,9624275
9	81662	4,390	0	0	0	4,390 NONRE	2,19	,9624275
10	81663	4,430	0	0	0	4,430 NONRE	3,19	,9624275
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Report Total: 81,930 0 0 81,930

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municipal tax	7,600.00	= 19 rolls x \$400	903.28	municipal tax based on 2007 tax rate
school tax	375.65		375.65	
seniors tax	22.69		22.69	
total	7,998.34		1,301.62	



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: Regular Council Meeting

Meeting Date: June 10, 2008

Presented By: Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services

Title: Tax Write Off – Tax Roll 105991, Plan 2938RS, Block 4, Lot 6

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Council has authority under the MGA to cancel or reduce tax arrears.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The County has two tax rolls for Plan 2938RS, Block 4, Lot 6. One trailer is located on this location. Both tax rolls were assessed and taxed for the same trailer in error.

The current owner had purchased this property just prior to issuance of the 2007 taxation and assessment notices and paid the tax bill in 2007 without examining the assessment. The owner reviewed their records recently and realized that they had been assessed for a trailer that was not their. The following is a calculation based on what should have been assessed and taxed vs. what was actually assessed and taxed:

Levy	Mill Rate	Amount Charged	Amended Amount
Municipal	6.885	\$533.17	\$200.00 (minimum vacant residential)
School	3.418	\$264.69	\$34.08
Lodge	0.277	\$21.45	\$2.76
Total		\$819.31	\$236.84

There is a difference of \$582.47 in total taxes. Since the assessor can no longer process this as an assessment change, we are asking that the property owner be reimbursed for this error and overpayment. The school and lodge amounts will be carried forward as an under levy and adjusted into the 2009 school and lodge rates.

Author: _____ Review By: _____ CAO

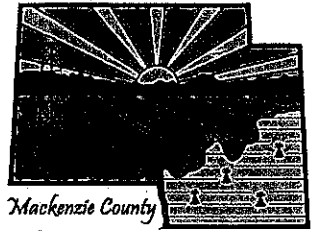
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

\$582.47 will be written off to the Tax Cancellation/Write Offs account (2008 operating budget).

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That \$582.47 for the tax roll 105991, Plan 2938RS, Block 04, Lot 06 be written off.

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO _____



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Local Improvement Charges to Non-Profit Groups

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Council established Policy FIN023 in order to provide financial relief to non-profit groups or registered charities, as a goodwill gesture, that may have a yearly local improvement levy payable to the County.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Some of the water and sewer local improvement levies expired in 2007 and should now be removed from policy FIN023, therefore administration requests amending the policy as presented.

The Fort Vermilion Royal Canadian Legion has a Local Improvement levy for curb, gutter and sidewalk that is due to expire in 2013. Council chose not to add the Legion to the FIN023 property in 2007 because this property was advertised for sale at that time. Instead, the 2007 local improvement levy was relieved by a council motion. The Legion is still in operation as a non-profit organization with no decision reached as to its future. Administration requests Council's decision with respect to the 2008 local improvement levy.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

2008 Budget for Tax Cancellation/Write Offs

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion 1:

That Policy FIN023 be amended as presented.

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO 

Motion 2:

That the 2008 local improvement charge of \$197.00 for the Fort Vermilion Royal Canadian Legion be cancelled.

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO _____

Mackenzie County

Title	Local Improvement Charge Cancellation	Policy No:	FIN023
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Purpose

To provide financial relief to non-profit groups, or registered charities that may have a yearly local improvement tax payable to the County.

Policy Statement and Guidelines

The County recognizes the limited financial capacity of selected non-profit groups or registered charities. If Council considers it equitable to do so, it may cancel the yearly local improvement charge in respect to a particular property that is owned by the non-profit group or registered charity.

Under section 397 of the MGA, no land is exempt from a local improvement charge if a local improvement tax bylaw authorized that particular property to pay for a local improvement that benefited that area of the municipality.

However, under section 347 of the MGA, Council has the ability to cancel, reduce or refund all or part of a tax.

Guidelines

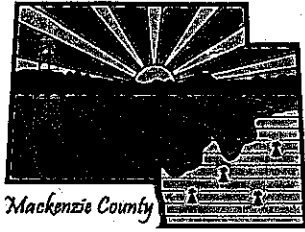
1. Administration will provide Council with a list (Schedule A) of non-profit groups or registered charities properties' that Council will consider for approval whether it is equitable to cancel the yearly local improvement charge. The list will contain the name of the group, roll number of the property and the amount of the local improvement charge and other details that administration may find pertinent.
2. Schedule A may be amended from time to time and will be brought forward for Council approval.
3. This Schedule A will be part of the yearly budget documentation to support the expenditure code 922 – Tax Cancellation/Write Offs.

	Date	Resolution Number
Approved	May 14, 2003	03-328
Amended	July 8, 2003	03-377
Amended	June 12, 2007	07-06-552

Tax Cancellation/Write Offs
Schedule A

Name	Roll Number	Details	Amount	Expiry Date
Friends of the Old Bay House Society 4405 River Road Fort Vermilion	076893	Sewer	1,027.51	2019
		Sidewalk	431.38	2016
		Total	1,458.89	
La Crete Senior Inn Society 10014 - 99 Avenue La Crete	076836	Sewer	167.70	2007
		Water	183.18	2007
		C, G, Sidewalk	129.96	2014
		Total	480.84	
La Crete Municipal Nursing Association 9606 - 100 Street La Crete	076829	Sewer	195.00	2007
		Water	213.00	2007
		100 th Street	143.87	2012
		Total	551.87	
Fort Vermilion Community Library Society 5103 River Road Fort Vermilion	106020	50 th Ave	197.28	2013
		Total	197.28	
La Crete Chamber of Commerce Box 1088 La Crete	155343	Sewer	259.35	2007
		Water	283.29	2007
		Total	542.64	

add W Legion



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	High Level Motocross Association

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The County provides variety of financial and non-financial support to the non-profit groups across the Region.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Please see the High Level Motocross Association request attached.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

If approved, the funding could be taken from the Grants to Other Organizations Reserve.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For discussion

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO



Box 3611
High Level, AB
T0H 1Z0

May 22, 2008

Mackenzie County
4511-46 Avenue
Box 640
Fort Vermillion, AB
T0H 1N0

Dear Sir/Madam:

We are a new formed (August of 2007) non-profit association registered in Alberta and based in High Level, Alberta. We are the High Level Motocross Association (HLMA) and our goal is to provide a place for off road motorcycle and ATV enthusiasts, young and old, to ride in a safe and controlled environment while minimizing impacts to the environment. Our Association is open to all members of the public that are interested in joining. We are in the process of obtaining a Recreational Lease on an old Alberta Government sand pit located approximately 12.5 km South of High Level on the East side of highway 35 just North of the Melito Creek bridge. This site is easily accessible from High Level and is located far enough away that noise or town expansion should never be an issue (it is located South of the Footner Forest Products OSB Mill site).

We will be the Northern most motocross park in Alberta and it will provide existing and future members, as well as spectators, another form of recreation in our community. Our plans also include holding races as part of the existing motocross circuit in Alberta and Northeastern British Columbia to bring racers and spectators out to the motocross park.

Currently our membership is 38 people and growing. We do expect our membership to well exceed 100 members once we have our motocross park constructed and operational. We have the support of many people and business within High Level and the surrounding communities. Our timeline is to have the motocross park constructed and operational by mid July 2008.

One of the challenges in starting up a new non-profit association is the costs associated with start-up. Our goal is to raise a total of \$10,000.00 to make this motocross park happen. The HLMA will raise \$2,500 from membership fees and volunteering efforts from our members. The remaining \$7,500.00 we would like to collect through donations. To date we have commitments to the amount of \$3,500.00 providing that we can get commitments for the remaining \$4,000.00.

Some of the costs that we will incur are; obtaining our Recreational Lease on the crown land, highway approach construction/re-alignment, existing access road ditching and upgrading, track construction, liability insurance, signage, etc. We currently do have donations of equipment and manpower for the construction. Unfortunately there are many items that require money to obtain or secure. The land survey and land acquisition costs totaling approximately \$4,000.00 to \$6,000.00, is our largest cost.

HLMA cont'd

Some items that the MD could help us out with are:

- 1) a letter indicating the MD's support for our Association as well as the construction of a motocross park,
- 2) the waiving of any fees payable to the MD associated with the construction of the motocross park and its facilities,
- 3) a cash donation (or other).

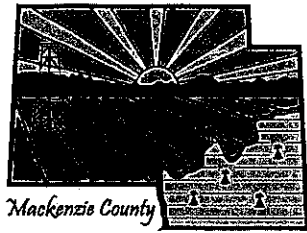
For corporate donation that we are currently soliciting for, for every \$250.00 donated we are offering one (1) year of advertising on our sponsor sign which will be located at the track entrance and visible from Highway 35. We will also list your company name (and link to your website if applicable) for one (1) year in our sponsor section on our website, which can be found at www.highlevelmx.com. The initial \$250.00 will include the cost of sign make up and the remainder will go into our construction/land acquisition fund.

If you are able to help our Association, in any way, to reach our goal it would be much appreciated. On behalf of our membership, thank you for taking the time to read our request.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the number listed below. You can also contact Chris MacLeod at 926-6096 or via email at info@highlevelmx.com.

Sincerely,

Bob Grocholski
Secretary, HLMA
(780) 841-2424



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William (Bill) Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Mackenzie Housing Request – Paving of Parking Lots at the Pioneer Homes in Fort Vermilion and at the Altenhiem in La Crete

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The County provides variety of financial and non-financial support to the non-profit organizations across the Region.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

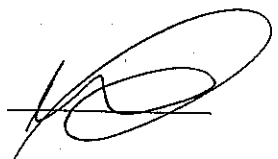
Please see the Mackenzie Housing request to pave parking lots at the Pioneer Homes in Fort Vermilion and at the Altenheim in La Crete.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

To be determined.

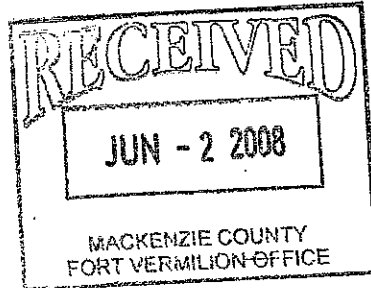
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That administration inspect the sites, prepares a cost estimate for paving of the Pioneer Homes and the Altenheim parking lots and brings it to the next meeting for Council's perusal. *back*

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO 

Box 350
La Crete Alberta
Phone: 780-928-4349
Fax: 780-928-4345
E-mail: mhmb@telus.net
T0H 2H0

May 29, 2008



William Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer
Mackenzie County
P.O. Box 640
Fort Vermilion, AB
T0H 1N0

Dear Mr. Kostiw,

I have received many concerns from the seniors living in La Crete and Fort Vermilion regarding the gravel and mud in the parking lots at Pioneer Homes and Altenhiem.

Many of the seniors have difficulty walking on the uneven surface. Several of the seniors use a wheelchair or walker and a few use a motorized chair to get around. Pavement would improve the overall safety for the seniors. The pavement would also improve the general appearance of the facilities.

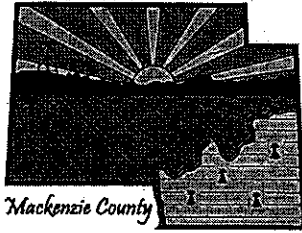
On behalf of our senior residents, Mackenzie Housing Management respectfully requests that Mackenzie County pave the parking lots of Pioneer Homes and the Altenhiem.

Thank you for your consideration into this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Helen Braun".

Helen Braun, CAO
Mackenzie Housing Management



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	La Crete Chamber of Commerce – Letter of Support

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

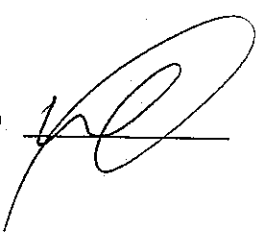
The La Crete Chamber of Commerce is requesting a letter of support indicating that the Chamber is an official community Visitor Information Centre. This letter is required as part of their accreditation application.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That a letter of support be sent to the La Crete Chamber of Commerce indicating that they are an official community Visitor Information Centre.

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

Carol Gabriel

From: Jessica Driedger [Lccoc@telusplanet.net]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2008 2:11 PM
To: Carol Gabriel
Subject: VIC Letter

Hello Carol,
Below is a copy of the email that I received from the VIC, Thank you

From: Noel Ma [Noel.Ma@gov.ab.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2008 12:24 PM
To: lccoc@telusplanet.net
Subject: AVIP Order Form
Attachments: AVIP Form 2008.xls

Good Day Eleanor,

It was great chatting with you again this morning. I am attaching a copy of the AVIP (Alberta Visitor Information Providers) order form for you to use to order your 2008 copies of the Travel Alberta publications for your centre. You can also use the form to order your 2008 Official Alberta Road Maps as well.

As mentioned in our conversation this morning, I will be planning a visit to your centre in the middle of June to follow-up with your accreditation application. In the meantime, if you wouldn't mind arranging to have the following sent to us for our file/review:

- 1) Your Accreditation application
- 2) A letter from the Board indicating support/commitment for your application for accreditation
- 3) Endorsement letter from the Town Council for support that your centre is an official community VIC

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Have a great day, and I look forward to meeting you sometime during the third week of June.

Best regards,

Noel Ma

Manager

Visitor Information Centres and Support Services

Tourism, Parks, and Recreation

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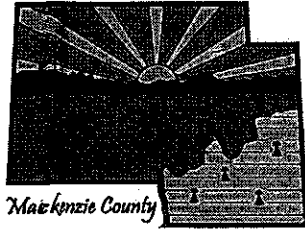


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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Fort Vermilion FCSS Advisory Committee Appointments

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

We have been advertising to fill two vacant positions of the Fort Vermilion FCSS Advisory Committee. One application has been received and is attached.

The term of this appointment would be till December 31, 2008 as the original appointments to this committee were made for a one year term (January 1 – December 31, 2008).

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

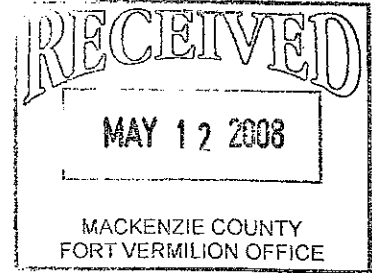
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Karen Wieler be appointed to the Fort Vermilion FCSS Advisory Committee for the period June 10, 2008 to December 31, 2008.

Author: C. Gabriel Review By: _____ CAO 

May 9, 2008

Karen Wieler
Box 738
Fort Vermilion, AB
T0H 1N0



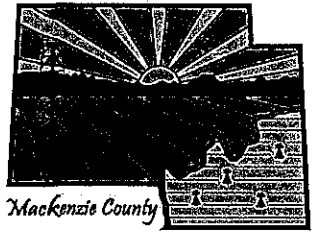
Dear Mr. Bill Kostiw,

I am interested in joining the FCSS Steering Committee. Please let me know if there are any opportunities to do so.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Wieler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Karen Wieler



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Joulia Whittleton, Director of Corporate Services
Title:	Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation (COPTER)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The MGA allows for tax exemption for Government, churches and other bodies. The MGA in combination with the Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation (COPTER) sets out how the non-profit status for the purposes of taxation should be determined.

The COPTER will expire in October, 2008.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Please review the correspondence received from Municipal Affairs along with the Stakeholders Questionnaire.

In the past, some local organizations (golf course, private schools) requested to be exempted from taxation.

A number of criteria must be met in order to qualify under the MGA, s. 362 and the current COPTER in order for a property to qualify for the exemption.

For example:

A property seeking to qualify under s. 362(1)(n) must also meet the requirements in the COPTER. The easier way to understand the criteria to be satisfied is to show the criteria in the form of the checklists (enclosed for illustration). Please note that a property must satisfy every criteria in the section, and failure to satisfy even one criteria means that the property does not qualify for the exemption. When every exemption section in s. 362 is reviewed, one could see there are two aspects - the type of organization that qualifies and the use of the property.

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO 

A non-profit status alone is not sufficient to qualify for an exemption under the MGA. There are a large number of criteria to satisfy concerning the use of the property. There are two key concepts that figure largely in the interpretation of these exemption sections. Those concepts are the meaning of charitable or benevolent purpose, and the prohibitions in COPTER on the payment of fees for use of the property (restrictions on use).

The Courts have defined a charitable or benevolent purpose as one that provides relief of poverty, advancement of education or religion, or any other purpose beneficial to the community. Although the phrase "any other purpose beneficial to the community" seems fairly broad, it should be remembered that this purpose should be a charitable one.

Although community groups such as golf clubs enrich the community by providing worthwhile activities for the community members, the purpose is not a true charitable purpose. These organizations are non-profit but that fact alone doesn't make the use of the property charitable or benevolent.

Section 7 of COPTER requires that there be no fees charged for the use of the property, with the only exception being a minor entrance or service fee.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

NA

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For discussion

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO _____

Joulia Whittleton

From: Carol Gabriel on behalf of Bill Kostiw

Sent: Tuesday, June 03, 2008 2:00 PM

To: Joulia Whittleton

Subject: FW: Upcoming Consultation - Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation

Carol Gabriel
Executive Assistant
Mackenzie County
(780) 927-3718

From: AssessmentServicesBranch@gov.ab.ca [mailto:AssessmentServicesBranch@gov.ab.ca]

Sent: Monday, June 02, 2008 3:38 PM

To: Bill Kostiw

Subject: Upcoming Consultation - Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Alberta Municipal Affairs is engaging in a review of the Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation (COPTER) as it is set to expire in October 2008. The regulation in its current form is available at www.qp.gov.ab.ca/documents/Regs/1998_281.cfm.

As of Tuesday June 3 2008 an online questionnaire will be made available at www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/COPTER_2008.cfm to provide interested individuals an opportunity to comment on the regulation. The questionnaire will include a brief background on the regulation its provisions and the original intentions of the drafters. The questionnaire will be available until June 30 2008. We ask that you please forward this message to any other organizations you feel would want the opportunity to participate in this process.

We welcome your feedback and look forward to ensuring that the COPTER appropriately addresses the needs of Albertans. Should you have any questions please contact Karissa Potiuk Advisor Assessment Services Branch at 780 427-0229.

Yours truly

Steve White
Executive Director
Assessment Services Branch

*Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation
Review*

Stakeholder Questionnaire

- To complete this questionnaire electronically, please click on the shaded fields (only visible on screen) and type your response. The field will expand as you type. Save the file and return as an e-mail attachment to karissa.potiuk@gov.ab.ca
- As an alternative, the questionnaire can be printed out, completed manually, and faxed (780-422-3110) to the attention of Karissa Potiuk.
- Please respond by **June 30, 2008**.

Respondent (optional):

Organization (optional):

Position (optional):

Please indicate whether you represent:

- A municipality
- A non-profit organization
- A member of the public
- Other (please specify) Type your response here. (field will expand)

The information collected herein will be used in the review of this legislation. The collection of this information is authorized under Section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the privacy protection provisions of that *Act* will protect it. If you have any questions about the collection or use of this information, please contact the Manager, Access and Privacy Branch, 3rd Floor, 10155 – 102 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 4L4, or by telephone at (780) 415-6401¹

QUESTIONS

- 1. Considering the 1997 Guiding Principles as established by the Non-Profit Tax Exemption MLA Review Committee, are there any additional concepts or principles that should be considered that would reflect the changes that have taken place in Alberta in the past ten years?**

Type your response here. (field will expand)

- 2. What exemption issues have you encountered?**

Type your response here. (field will expand)

- 3. If you are a municipality, what challenges have you encountered in administering the regulation? If you are a member of the public or a representative of a non-profit organization, what challenges have you encountered in your application for exemption?**

Type your response here. (field will expand)

- 4. What changes should be made to the regulation regarding the criteria for exemption?**

Type your response here. (field will expand)

- 5. Are there any other issues or questions that have not been addressed in a previous question? Do you have any further suggestions for improvements to the regulation? Are there any better ways to resolve the issues outlined above?**

Type your response here. (field will expand)

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EXEMPTION CHECKLIST
FOR PART 3 COPTER

Part 3 COPTER allows non-profit organizations that operate certain facilities to apply directly to the municipality for an exemption from taxation. Many of the categories listed identify specific uses, which do not apply to the subject properties (eg. Facilities used as a linguistic organization (s. 15(e)), sheltered workshop (s. 15(1)), chamber of commerce (s. 15(j))). Therefore, this checklist only refers to the categories that are more likely to apply to the subject properties.

_____ property (s. 15)

_____ located within the municipality (s. 15)

_____ held by (s. 15)

_____ owned (s. 5)

OR

_____ held under a lease, licence or permit (s. 5)

_____ non-profit organization (s. 16(1), s. 15)

_____ society incorporated under *Societies Act* (s. 6(a))

OR

_____ incorporated under Federal or Alberta law is prohibited from distributing income or property to its shareholders or members (s. 6(b))

_____ operates on a non-profit basis (s. 16(1)(b))

_____ a facility that is

_____ used for sports or recreation (but not used in the operation of a professional sports franchise)(s. 15(a))

_____ property must be primarily used (at least 60% of the time) for this purpose (s. 4)

_____ resources devoted to charitable and benevolent purpose (s. 15(k)(ii))

AND

_____ benefit of the general public (s. 15(k))

_____ pertaining to the general community, rather than a group with limited membership or a group of business associates (s. 1(c))

_____ charitable or benevolent purpose benefits the general public in the community in which the property is located (s. 15(k)(i))

_____ funds are chiefly used for the purposes of the non-profit organization and not for the benefit of organization's directors and employees (s. 16(1)(c))

_____ will not be exempt of more than 30% of the time the use is restricted (s. 16(2))

_____ use of the property is restricted if there is a requirement to pay fees of any kind, other than minor entrance, service or membership fee (s. 7)

_____ application for an exemption is received by municipality by November 30 (assessment year) (s. 16(1)(a))

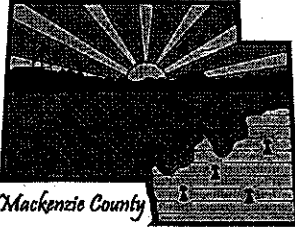
_____ information to show the organization meets the above criteria must be received by the municipality by February 15 (taxation year) (s. 16(1)(a)(ii))

_____ a description of any retail areas of the facility must be provided to Municipality by February 15 (taxation year)

CHECKLIST - SECTION 362(1)(n)(iii) MGA

CHARITABLE OR BENEVOLENT

- _____ property (s. 362(1)(n)(iii))
- _____ used for a charitable or benevolent purpose (s. 362(1)(n)(iii))
 - _____ relief of poverty, advancement of education, advancement of religion or any other purpose beneficial to the community (COPTER s. 1(b)(c))
 - _____ property must be primarily used (at least 60% of the time) for this purpose (COPTER s. 4)
 - _____ resources devoted to charitable or benevolent purpose (COPTER s. 10(1)(b))
- _____ benefit of the general public (s. 362(1)(n)(iii))
 - _____ pertaining to the general community, rather than a group with limited membership or a group of business associates (COPTER s. 1(b)(c))
 - _____ charitable or benevolent purpose benefits the general public in the community in which the property is located (COPTER s. 7)
 - _____ will not be exempt if more than 30% of the time the use is restricted (COPTER s. 10(2))
 - _____ use of property will be restricted if there is a requirement to pay fees of any kind, other than a minor entrance or service fee or minor membership fee (COPTER s. 7)
- _____ owned by (s. 362(1)(n)(iii))
- _____ non-profit organization (s. 362(1)(n)(iii))
 - _____ society under the *Societies Act* (COPTER s. 6)



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Inter-Municipal Agreement – High Level

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

To establish a working agreement to allow time for completion of the formal agreement.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Discussion.

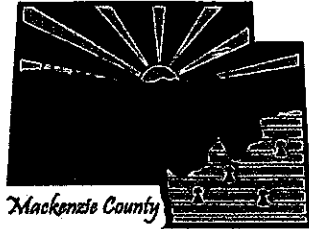
COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

As per 2008 budget for inter-municipal agreements.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That Mackenzie County and the Town of High Level continue to use the current inter-municipal agreement until June 30, 2008 and use the Memorandum of Understanding until December 31, 2008.

Author: W. Kostiw Review By: _____ CAO _____



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Environmental Services
Title:	Bylaw 671/08 Schedule "B"

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

As per Bylaw 671/08 Section 4.18 reads as follows:

"On the expiration or cancellation of a camping permit, the permit holder shall ensure that the campsite is vacated and that all personal property is removed."

The current schedule "B" attached to the bylaw does not include a penalty amount that enables the County to enforce this condition.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS

With a penalty amount in place it will allow for the County to vacate the campsite/seasonal site at the owner's expense for being in contravention of their camping permit.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion 1

That the Bylaw 671/08 schedule "B" be accepted as presented.

Author: C. Friesen

Review Date: May 26/08

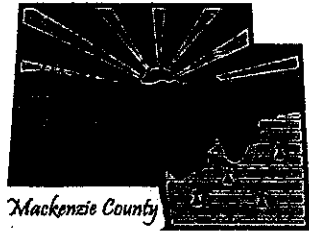
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SCHEDULE "B"

Mackenzie County

The voluntary payment, which may be accepted in lieu of prosecution for a contravention of any of the sections set out below, shall be the sum set out opposite the section number:

Section	Description	Penalty
Section 3.1 (a)	Fail to keep land in a clean/tidy condition	\$50.00
Section 3.1 (b)	Fail to comply with lawfully posted signs and/or notices	\$50.00
Section 3.2	Fail to restore land to a clean/tidy condition when vacating park	\$50.00
Section 3.3(a)	Interfere with others quiet enjoyment of park	\$50.00
Section 3.3(b)	Deface/injure/destroy object in park	\$75.00
Section 3.3(c)	Excavate or remove plants/plant fixtures from a park	\$75.00
Section 3.3(d)	Remove park equipment	\$75.00
Section 3.3(e)	Unauthorized display signs/ads in park	\$25.00
Section 3.3(f)	Remove/damage etc. authorized signs/notices in park	\$50.00
Section 3.3(g)	Bathe/clean clothing/ fish/utensils etc. at/near drinking fountain/pump in park	\$25.00
Section 3.4	Unauthorized construction in park	\$50.00
Section 3.5	Unauthorized business in park	\$50.00
Section 4.1	Failure to register when entering park	\$50.00
Section 4.2	Failure to obtain camping permit	\$50.00
Section 4.7	Camping in area not designated for that purpose	\$50.00
Section 4.8	Alteration of camping permit	\$50.00
Section 4.9	Failure to produce camping permit upon request	\$50.00
Section 4.12/4.13	Unauthorized combination of vehicles in campsite	\$50.00
Section 4.14	Camping more than fourteen consecutive days	\$50.00
Section 4.18	Failure to vacate site	cost recovery
Section 4.21	Remain in day use area after 11:00 p.m.	\$50.00
Section 6.1	Unlawfully enter/remain in park	\$50.00
Section 7.1	Set, light, or maintain fire in unauthorized place	\$50.00
Section 7.3	Set, light, or maintain fire after signs/notices have been erected prohibiting same	\$50.00
Section 7.4	Leave fire unattended/allow to spread	\$50.00
Section 7.5	Deposit/dispose of hot coals/ashes etc. in unauthorized place	\$50.00
Section 7.6	Fail to extinguish fire etc. before leaving	\$50.00
Section 7.7	Remove firewood from a park	\$100.00
Section 8.1	Operate off-highway vehicle where prohibited	\$50.00
Section 8.2	Enter park when prohibited	\$50.00
Section 8.3	Parking in a manner or location that impedes traffic	\$50.00
Section 8.4	Exceed posted speed limit	\$50.00
Section 9.1(a)	Animal running at large	\$50.00
Section 9.1(b)	Animal in prohibited area	\$50.00
Section 9.7	Bring/allow horse/pony etc. unauthorized into the park	\$100.00
Section 10.1(a)	Deposit waste matter in unauthorized area of park	\$50.00
Section 10.1(b)	Deposit waste water or liquid waste in unauthorized area	\$250.00
Section 10.1(c)	Dispose of commercial/residential waste in park	\$50.00
Section 10.2	Fail to carry waste matter from areas in park without receptacles	\$50.00
Section 11.3	Attempt to enter park within 72 hours of removal from a park	\$100.00
Section 12.1	Discharging of firearm	\$100.00
Section 12.2	Improper storage of firearm	\$75.00
Section 12.3	Hang big game in park	\$50.00



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Environmental Services
Title:	Neufeld Petroleum and Propane Ltd. - Maintenance

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Neufeld Petroleum and Propane Ltd. have offered to do annual maintenance on all our heating appliances, including heat exchangers and doing a combustion analysis to achieve peak performance on any heating appliance.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Servicing of this equipment can and will save the County from hiring a repairman in future potential breakdowns. Neufeld Petroleum and Propane Ltd. have offered to train someone involved with the County to check simple things such as fan belts, air filters and overall operation of any heating appliance. For your perusal, please find attached a copy of correspondence we received along with a Service Guideline.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

2008 Operating Budget which includes maintenance of County buildings

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That if the County considers this option that administration be authorized to pursue request for proposals.

Author: Pauline Short

Review By: _____

CAO 

NEUFELD PETROLEUM AND PROPANE LTD.**APRIL 7, 2008**

As per Henry Klassen,

I'm writing this letter to you to try and give you an offer on doing annual maintenance on all your heating appliances that our Mackenzie County owns. We as a corporation feel that servicing this equipment can and will save you from hiring repairmen in future potential breakdowns. As a licensed Plumber/gasfitter I am willing to also train you or anybody else involved to be able to check simple stuff such as fan belts, air filters and overall operation of any heating appliance. Keeping equipment clean such as A-coils and fan housings can save you on your utility bills. We are also qualified to inspect heat exchangers and do a combustion analysis to achieve peak performance on any heating appliance. I would really like to offer you something better Henry and therefore our hourly rate as a licensed gasfitter is set @70.00/HR. This will also always be me personally doing the work and would look forward to working with you. We cannot give you a quote on what your annual cost would be till I see all of our County's appliances. We would be able to however, after servicing all of them once. I have included some forms showing you our service guideline that we follow. I would also like to thank you for your past business and consider you a valued customer.

For more information you can contact me @780-841-1637.

Thanks, Joe Peters.

NEUFELD PETROLEUM AND PROPANE LTD.

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE INSPECTION FOR BOILER HEATING SYSTEMS

FACILITY: _____ DATE: ____ - ____ - ____

LOCATION: _____ SERVICE PERSON: _____

BOILER MODEL # _____

BOILER SERIAL # _____

C COMPLETED AND IS SATISFACTORY.
N/A NOT APPLICABLE

1. CHECK CONDITION OF WIRING AND GROUND CONNECTIONS
COMMENTS: _____
2. REMOVE AND CLEAN BURNER ASSEMBLY
COMMENTS: _____
3. INSPECT BOILER AND PIPING FOR LEAKS
COMMENTS: _____
4. INSPECT ALL FLUE GAS VENTING
COMMENTS: _____
5. TEST PUMPS FOR AMP DRAW
COMMENTS: _____
6. INSPECT AND TEST MAKE UP WATER VALVES AND BACK FLOW DEVICES
COMMENTS: _____
7. INSPECT/TEST THERMOCOUPLE OR FLAME SENSOR
COMMENTS: _____
8. INSPECT PILOT FLAME/SPARK IGNITION
COMMENTS: _____
9. CHECK FOR GAS LEAKS
COMMENTS: _____
10. TEST LIMIT SWITCHES AND SAFETY CONTROLS
COMMENTS: _____
11. VERIFY PROPER RELIEF VALVE
COMMENTS: _____
12. CHECK COMBUSTION AIR VENTING
COMMENTS: _____
13. TEST AND ADJUST GAS PRESSURES
COMMENTS: _____
14. DO COMBUSTION ANALYSIS
COMMENTS: _____
15. TEST WATER QUALITY AND GLYCOL LEVELS
COMMENTS: _____
16. DUST OFF AND CLEAN APPLIANCE AND COVERS
COMMENTS: _____
17. TAG APPLIANCE WITH DATE OF SERVICE
COMMENTS: _____

NEUFELD PETROLEUM AND PROPANE LTD.
PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE INSPECTION
FOR
FURNACE HEATING SYSTEMS

FACILITY: _____ DATE: ____-____-____

LOCATION: _____ SERVICE PERSON: _____

FURNACE MODEL # _____

FURNACE SERIAL # _____

C COMPLETED AND IS SATISFACTORY.
N/A NOT APPLICABLE

- 1. CHECK CONDITION OF WIRING AND GROUND CONNECTIONS
COMMENTS: _____
- 2. REMOVE AND CLEAN BURNER ASSEMBLY
COMMENTS: _____
- 3. INSPECT AND REPAIR CONDITION OF DUCT WORK
COMMENTS: _____
- 4. INSPECT ALL FLUE GAS VENTING
COMMENTS: _____
- 5. INSPECT AND CLEAN FAN MOTOR AND HOUSING
COMMENTS: _____
- 6. INSPECT BELT AND REPLACE IF APPLICABLE
COMMENTS: _____
- 7. INSPECT/TEST THERMOCOUPLE OR FLAME SENSOR
COMMENTS: _____
- 8. INSPECT PILOT FLAME/SPARK IGNITION
COMMENTS: _____
- 9. CHECK FOR GAS LEAKS
COMMENTS: _____
- 10. TEST LIMIT SWITCHES AND SAFETY CONTROLS
COMMENTS: _____
- 11. INSPECT FILTER AND REPLACE IF NECESSARY
COMMENTS: _____
- 12. CHECK COMBUSTION AIR VENTING
COMMENTS: _____
- 13. TEST AND ADJUST GAS PRESSURES
COMMENTS: _____
- 14. DO COMBUSTION ANALYSIS
COMMENTS: _____
- 15. DUST OFF AND CLEAN APPLIANCE AND COVERS
COMMENTS: _____
- 16. TAG APPLIANCE WITH DATE OF SERVICE
COMMENTS: _____

NEUFELD PETROLEUM AND PROPANE LTD.

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE INSPECTION FOR DOMESTIC HOT WATER TANKS

FACILITY: _____ DATE: ____ - ____ - ____

LOCATION: _____ SERVICE PERSON: _____

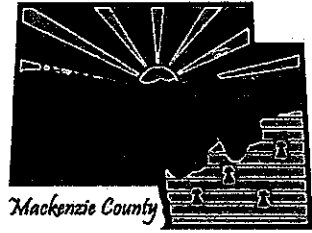
HWT MODEL # _____

HWT SERIAL # _____

C COMPLETED AND IS SATISFACTORY.

N/A NOT APPLICABLE

1. CHECK CONDITION OF WIRING AND GROUND CONNECTIONS
COMMENTS: _____
2. REMOVE AND CLEAN BURNER ASSEMBLY
COMMENTS: _____
3. INSPECT PIPING AND REPAIR LEAKS
COMMENTS: _____
4. INSPECT ALL FLUE GAS VENTING
COMMENTS: _____
5. CHECK CONDITION OF RE-CIRC PUMP IF APPICABLE
COMMENTS: _____
6. INSPECT/TEST THERMOCOUPLE OR FLAME SENSOR
COMMENTS: _____
7. INPSECT PILOT FLAME/SPARK IGNITION
COMMENTS: _____
8. CHECK FOR GAS LEAKS
COMMENTS: _____
9. TEST LIMIT SWITCHES AND SAFETY CONTROLS
COMMENTS: _____
10. INSPECT CONDITION OF DIP TUBE
COMMENTS: _____
11. CHECK COMBUSTION AIR VENTING
COMMENTS: _____
12. TEST AND ADJUST GAS PRESSURES
COMMENTS: _____
13. DO COMBUSTION ANALYSIS
COMMENTS: _____
14. DUST OFF AND CLEAN APPLIANCE AND COVERS
COMMENTS: _____
15. TAG APPLIANCE WITH DATE OF SERVICE
COMMENTS: _____



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	John Klassen, Director of Environmental Services
Title:	L & P Disposals – Fuel Surcharge

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

L & P Disposals have a contract with Mackenzie County for the hauling of garbage from the Transfer Sites and request the County address clause 6:14 "Request for Contract Price Adjustment of the contract.

There have been significant increases in the cost of fuel and therefore, L & P request approval for a fuel surcharge to be added to the price of the hauling on each invoice.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Attaching a fuel surcharge to each invoice will assist with the increase in the cost of fuel. For your perusal, please find attached a copy of correspondence received from L & P Disposals with respect to same, along with a copy of clause 6:14.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:


2008 Operating Budget

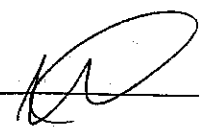
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the L & P Disposals fuel surcharge request be referred to the County Finance Committee.

Author: Pauline Short

Review By: _____


_____ CAO



L & P Disposals
P.O. Box 179
High Level, AB
T0H 1Z0
(780)926-3838
(780)926-3688

May 29, 2008

MacKenzie County
ATTN: John Klassen

RE: Hauling of Transfer Station Waste 2008

Dear John:

With regards to the Contract with MacKenzie County for the haul of garbage from the Transfer Sites by L & P Disposals, we would like to address clause 6:14 "Request for Contract price adjustment".

There have been significant increases in the cost of fuel, the increase has been about 31% in the last six (6) months. November 1, 2007 our price was \$1.003 and as of May 29, 2008 our price is now \$1.31 (these prices do not include GST).

We would like you to consider adjusting the Contract rate in lieu of the preceding information, or, allow a fuel surcharge to be added to the price of the hauling.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Regards,



Cynthia Bateman
Office Manager

CB/ss

Husky Oil Marketing
10804 Rainbow Blvd
High Level, AB
T0H 1Z0
(780)926-3388
(780)928-3358

May 29, 2008

L & P Disposals
ATTN: Patrick Bateman

RE: Your request to show the increase in fuel prices over the last two years

May 31, 2006 - 0.768 + GST .806
May 31, 2007 - 0.881 + GST .925
Nov 01, 2007 - 1.003 + GST 1.06
May 29, 2008 - 1.31 + GST 1.38

Thank you,



Michelle Farrie

6.14 Request for Contract Price Adjustment

At times events outside of reasonable control combine to inflate costs in the economy such as significant increases in fuel costs or landfill tipping fees and etc. In the event that the Contractor experiences such inflation and it significantly increases the costs of his operations as he attempts to fulfill the terms of this contract, Mackenzie County will consider an adjustment to the Contract Price on request from the Contractor.

The Contractor must submit a written request for adjustment to his contract unit price to the Director of Environmental Services. The written request must outline the nature of the adjustment, the reason for the adjustment, the percentage increase in operational costs, and the adjustment amount requested. Mackenzie County will take the request into consideration and, if in agreement, may authorize, by written order, equitable adjustments be made to the Contract Price.

At no time is the Mackenzie County obligated in any way whatsoever to grant the Contractors request for a Contract Price adjustment.



MACKENZIE COUNTY

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Mark Schonken, Director of Public Works
Title:	Loader Replacement

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

Further review of options available for the loader replacement in Fort Vermilion.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS

Loader options available:

Make	Warranty	Benefit	Negative	Cost	Trade	Net
Komatsu	7,500 hrs 5 years	Good service (local shop) Komtrax included, similar to AVL. Hydrostatic drive Fuel efficient Weight 11,685 kg	No previous experience with their products.	\$171,000	\$38,000	\$133,000
John Deere	6,000 hrs 4 years	Easy to operate Weight 12,727 kg	Poor paint Warranty and service not that good.	\$177,500	\$42,500	\$135,000
CAT	7,500 hrs 5 years	Good service Weight 13,029 kg	Quick attach not standard Older technology	\$180,350	\$42,500	\$137,850
CASE	7,500 hrs 5 years	Good visibility Weight 13,636 kg	No local service technicians	\$183,575	\$55,000	\$128,575
Volvo	5,000 hrs 3 years	Weight 15,500 kg	No local service technicians	\$157,200	\$47,500	\$109,700

Author: Brent Dachuk **Review Date:** _____ **CAO** _____

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The cost of the options varies from \$135,000 to \$109,700 from the above options.

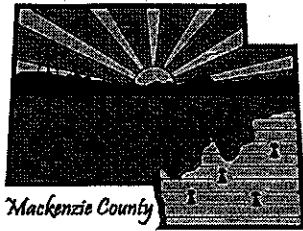
Funding will be received from the Vehicle Replacement Reserve.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The three options recommended are:

- Volvo, it has the lowest cost but the service is the poorest of the three and the weight would mean that the County may have to acquire a new trailer.
- Case, 2nd lowest cost and we have good experience with Case, however service may be problematic. Trailer size would be okay.
- Komatsu, 3rd lowest cost, but their service is local and has received very good references from Northern Services. Lowest weight which would mean that the County would not have to acquire a new trailer (cost \$26,000).

Author: _____ Review Date: _____ CAO _____



MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	AMA Rural Road Signage Program

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The AMA is requesting the assistance of counties and municipal districts to help cover the costs associated with the installation and maintenance of the rural road signs starting with the 2009 season. See attached for more information.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

New Sign or Reinstallation - approximately \$150 - \$200 per sign
Maintenance Costs – approximately \$50 - \$75 per sign

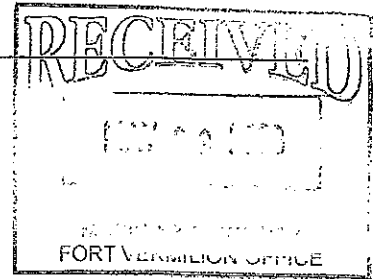
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the County continue with the Alberta Motor Association Rural Road Signage Program and pay the estimated installation and maintenance costs as presented.

Author: C. Gabriel

Review By: _____

CAO



20 May 2008

**To: Administrators, Commissioners, Secretary Treasurers
All Counties, Municipal Districts, and Special Areas**

As you know, AMA has been providing directional signs at rural and secondary roadway intersections for many years as a public service. See the attached program summary for more details. This program is designed to provide assistance to motorists traveling the secondary and rural road network and we appreciate your ongoing assistance in identifying locations and destinations for which signs are needed.

The purpose of this letter is to assess the willingness of counties and municipal districts to cover a portion of the cost of installing and maintaining these rural road signs starting with the 2009 season. Your input will be factored into our annual budget process during which a decision to continue or discontinue operation of this program will be made.

The cost to counties and districts for installation of a new sign or reinstallation of an obliterated sign is estimated at \$150 to \$200 each. Maintenance costs including sign straightening, painting, replacement of pickets, etc. are estimated at \$50 to \$75 for each sign depending on the level of work required. Signs that require no maintenance would be subject to no charge.

Using the form on the next page, please indicate your preference and fax back to me at (780) 430-4861 before July 15, 2008. Your responses will remain confidential.

If you have questions or comments, feel free to call me at (780) 430-5523 during regular business hours.

If this letter has reached you in error, please forward to the appropriate individual.

Sincerely

Manager, Policy Development and Promotion



Advocacy & Community Services
Rural Road Signage Program

FAX

To: Scott Wilson, AMA

From:

Fax: (780) 430-4861

Date:

Re: AMA Rural Road Signage Program Pages: 1

Note:

Please reply before July 15, 2008.

Above, please indicate the County or Municipal District for which you are replying.

Please indicate your preference by checking (✓) the appropriate response below.

We **are willing to pay** the estimated installation and maintenance costs as described in the letter of 9 May 2008 and **will continue to use** the program. _____

We **are not willing to pay** the estimated installation and maintenance costs as described in the letter of 9 May 2008 and **will no longer use** the program. _____

Other factors you would like us to consider:

Thank you for your feedback.



ALBERTA MOTOR ASSOCIATION ADVOCACY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

RURAL ROAD SIGNAGE PROGRAM - SUMMARY

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

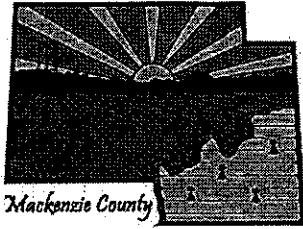
- AMA has been providing destination guide signage at rural and secondary roadway intersections since 1926 as a public service before the provincial department of transportation was formed. The program ceased temporarily during the Second World War and re-commenced in 1949.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- This program is designed to assist motorists traveling the secondary and rural road network. Counties, municipal districts, members and the public are free to request signs. Requests are assessed against program criteria to determine eligibility.
- Signs provide guidance to cities, towns, local attractions, community facilities, recreational areas, etc.
- Signs are constructed of 4" by 4" posts and prefab wooden pickets and assembled on site.
- There are more than 1,500 installations across the province with over 5,000 destination signs.
- The signage installation and maintenance season typically runs from April to November, weather permitting.
- The Rural Road Signage Technician meets with each new sign requestor to discuss program guidelines, site selection and arrange for existing utility location.
- Vandalism continues to be a challenge for the program; approximately 15 to 20 percent of existing installations are subject to some form of vandalism each year. This increases costs and slows down the maintenance and new site establishment process.
- No contractual arrangement exists between Alberta Transportation and the AMA regarding the program.
- No revenue is generated from this program. AMA underwrites all costs.

For more information, contact: Scott Wilson at (780) 430-5523.





MACKENZIE COUNTY

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Ryan Becker, Director of Planning & Emergency Services
Title:	Development Permit 310-DP-06 Plan 962 4275, Block 19 - 4 Direct Control 1 "DC1" (Hamlet of Zama)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

In October 2007, Patmore Oilfield Services purchased several lots in the Hamlet of Zama with the intention of consolidating the lots together and using part of the land for a borrow pit. This borrow pit was to provide fill for the development of lots adjacent to Tower Road. Being that the land is within the Hamlet boundaries, certain legalities can become an issue when having a borrow pit in the Hamlet. Therefore, the Municipality required that the land be rezoned under Direct Control District 1 "DC1" to enforce the required conditions. Bylaw 585/06 came into affect July 26, 2006.

On November 9, 2006, Development Permit 310-DP-06 was issued for a Borrow Pit on Plan 9624275, Block 19, Lots 1 to 12 and Block 4, Lots 18 to 27 in the Hamlet of Zama. The applicant was not able to start the construction of the borrow pit within the allowed 12 month time period which is a standard condition of all permits.

- c. *This permit is valid for a period of 12 months from the date of issue or the date of an approved decision of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. If at the expiry of this period the development or construction has not been commenced or carried out with reasonable diligence this permit shall be invalid.*

Therefore, Mackenzie County has received a request from the applicant, Patmore Oilfield Services, for a time extension to Development Permit 310-DP-06 to allow him to complete the consolidation of the lots and start construction of the borrow pit.

Author: Liane Lambert,
Development Officer

Reviewed by: Ryan Becker,
Director

CAO

D. LANDSCAPING

In accordance to Section 4.23 of this Bylaw.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

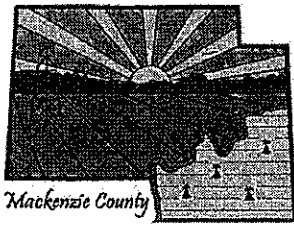
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That a time extension be granted to June 10, 2009 for Development Permit 310-DP-06 for a Borrow Pit on Plan 962 4275, Block 19 -4 in the name of Patmore Oilfield Services Ltd.

Author: Liane Lambert,
Development Officer

Reviewed by: Ryan Becker,
Director

CAO



REQUEST FOR DEVELOPMENT TIME EXTENSION

RECEIVED
MAY 22 2008

NAME OF APPLICANT <i>PATMORE OILFIELD SERVICES LTD</i>		
ADDRESS <i>Box 665</i>		
<i>HIGH LEVEL AB</i>		
POSTAL CODE <i>T0H 1Z0</i>	TELEPHONE (RES.) <i>926-3833</i>	(BUS.) <i>841-0211</i> <i>926-9597</i>

NAME OF REGISTERED OWNER <i>PATMORE OILFIELD SERVICES LTD</i>		
MACKENZIE COUNTY FORT SERRAVALLO OFFICE		
ADDRESS <i>Box 665</i>		
<i>HIGH LEVEL AB</i>		
POSTAL CODE <i>T0H 1Z0</i>	TELEPHONE (RES.) <i>780 926-3833</i>	(BUS.) <i>841-0211</i> <i>926-9597</i>

NAME OF MUNICIPALITY

MACKENZIE COUNTY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

QTR./L/S/ <i>SEE ATTACHED MAP</i>	SEC.	TWP.	RANGE	M.	OR	PLAN NO. <i>962 4275</i>	BLOCK <i>19-4</i>	LOT
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EXPIRY DATE OF DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL

MM	DD	YY
<i>Nov 9</i>	<i>2007</i>	

EXTENDED TIME REQUESTED

MM	DD	YY
<i>INDEFINITE</i>		

REASONS FOR EXTENSION REQUEST (attach additional information if required) *To finish project*

I/We have enclosed the required Application Fee of \$ 50.00 (Fifty Dollars)

[Signature]
APPLICANT/OWNER

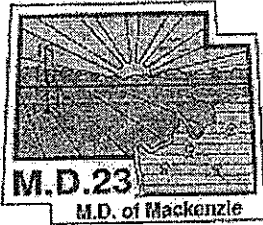
May 15/08
DATE

NOTE: Registered Owner's signature required if different from applicant.

[Signature]
REGISTERED OWNER

May 15/08
DATE

PLEASE RETURN INFORMATION TO THE NEAREST MACKENZIE COUNTY OFFICE ATTENTION DEVELOPMENT OFFICER



Municipal District of Mackenzie No 23

4511-46th Avenue

P.O Box 640, Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Phone (780) 927-3718

Fax (780) 927-4266

Development Approving Authority

Application No.:	310-DP-06
Legal Description:	<i>Plan 9624275, Blocks 19 & 4</i>
Applicant: Address:	Patmore Oilfield Services Ltd. Box 665 High Level, AB T0H 1Z0
Development:	Borrow Pit
DECISION:	APPROVED (See Attached Conditions)

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

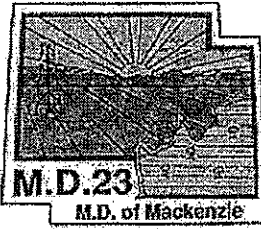
This permit is issued subject to the following conditions:

- (a) That the development or construction shall comply with the conditions of the decision herein contained or attached.
- (b) That the development or construction will be carried out in accordance with the approved plans and application.
- (c) This permit is valid for a period of 12 months from the date of issue or the date of an approved decision of the Development Authority. If at the expiry of this period the development or construction has not been commenced or carried out with reasonable diligence this permit shall be invalid.
- (d) There is no appeal to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board allowed in regards of a Council decision on a development permit application as stated section 641 of the Municipal Government Act, 1994.

Dated November 9, 2006



Chairman, Council



Municipal District of Mackenzie No 23

4511-46th Avenue

P.O. Box 640, Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Phone (780) 927-3718

Fax (780) 927-4266

Development Approving Authority

310-DP-06

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. Minimum borrow pit setbacks: 9.1 meters (30 feet) from front yard: 9.1 meters (30 feet) from rear yard and 3.04 meters (10 feet) from side yard.
2. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.
3. Must follow the borrow pit guidelines setout by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation.
4. There must be signage warning of potential danger posted around the borrow pit at all times.
5. Must install and maintain a 6 foot fence surrounding the entire borrow pit.
6. Consolidation of Block 19, Lots 1 to 12, and Block 4, lots 18 to 27.

Please note

1. The Municipal District of Mackenzie does not conduct independent environmental or land suitability checks. If the applicant is concerned about the suitability of the property for any purpose, the owner/applicant should conduct the proper tests. The Municipal District of Mackenzie, when issuing a development permit, makes no representation in regards to the suitability of the property for any purpose or as to the presence or absence of environmental contaminants of the property.
2. Obtain plumbing, electrical, gas, and building permits as required.
3. Call 'Alberta-1st-Call' before you dig. (1-800-242-3447).

It is the responsibility of the developer to ensure that the proposed development meets the requirements of the provincial Safety Codes Act. For more information on necessary permits, contact one of the M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23 offices at 928-3983 (La Crete), 926-5600 (High Level), or 927-3718 (Fort Vermilion). For the fire discipline, contact the Safety Codes Officer at 928-4772 (Superior Safety Codes).

November 9, 2006

Date of Issue of Notice of Decision


Chairman, Council



Development Permit Application

APPLICANT INFORMATION

I/We hereby make application under the provisions of the Land Use Bylaw for a Development Permit in accordance with the supporting information submitted which will form part of this application.

I/We understand that this application will not be accepted without the following: (a) appropriate development information
\$25 (residential, farm, public institution)
\$50 (commercial, industrial, home based business)

Name of Applicant	Mailing Address	Postal Code	Phone Number
PATMORE OZLFIELD SERVICES LTD	Box 665 High Level AB	T1H 1Z0	841-0211

Registered Landowner	Mailing Address	Postal Code	Phone Number
PATMORE OZLFIELD SERVICES LTD	Box 665 High Level AB	T0H 1Z0	841-0211

QTR./L.S.	SEC	TWP	RG	M	PLAN NO.	BLK	LOT	Civic Address
See attached map					962 42 75	1954		2 AWA

Quarter Section
 Hamlet Lots
 Acreage /Size
 MLL/MSL/TFA

What is the property currently being used for: NOTHING

The proposed development is for: Commercial Industrial Residential Farm Home Occupation Other

Description of proposed development: BORROW PIT

The property is adjacent to a: Street/Avenue Provincial Highway Local (MD) Road No Road

Proposed commencement and completion of development: Start Date: Nov-15/06 End Date: INDEFINITE

Square footage of development: Length: Width:

Approximate construction value (if applicable): \$

DECLARATION

I/We hereby declare that the information on this application is, to the best of my/our knowledge, factual and correct.

<u>J. Lewis Patmore</u> Permit Applicant Name (Please print)	<u>[Signature]</u> Permit Applicant Signature	<u>Oct 30/06</u> Date
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<u>PATMORE OZLFIELD SERVICES LTD</u> Land Owner Name (Please print)	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature of Land Owner	<u>Oct 30/06</u> Date
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NOTE: The signature of the Registered Land Owner is required if the applicant is not the registered landowner. The signing of this application, by the applicant and/or registered landowner, grants permission for necessary inspections of the property to be conducted by authorized persons of the Municipal District of Mackenzie No 23.

For Administrative Use Only

Development Permit Application No: 310-DR06 Date Received: Oct 31/06 Date Accepted:

Land Use Classification: DR1 Tax Roll No:

Proposed Use of land or Building: Borrow Pit

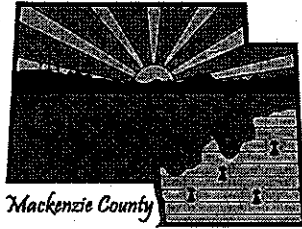
Development Application Fee Enclosed: Yes No Amount \$ 50.00 Receipt No: 66531

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Subject Property

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MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	Ryan Becker, Director of Planning and Emergency Services
Title:	Subdivision Proposal (Simon Froese) (Buffalo Head Prairie)

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

A subdivision proposal was submitted to the Planning Department and presented to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) on May 2nd, 2008 and May 20th, 2008. The proposal is for the subdivision of two fragmented parcels out of a quarter section located adjacent to the Buffalo Head Prairie School. The lands are fragmented by the new school access.

The MPC received the proposal as information only as one (1) of the two (2) requested parcels exceeds the maximum allowable subdivisions of the County Land Use Bylaw. Only two (2) residential subdivisions are allowed on an agricultural quarter section in accordance with the County Land Use Bylaw Section 7.3, subsection C., which states:

Residential Uses: Three (3) parcels per quarter section, river lot or original titled property with the balance of the quarter section, river lot or original titled property being one of the parcels; with the subdivided parcels being any two of the following:

- a. Existing farmstead or homestead,
- b. Vacant parcel
- c. Fragmented parcel

The subject lands already contain one (1) residential subdivision and rezoning the lands is not an option at present due to the moratorium on all Country Residential subdivisions. Furthermore, if the moratorium was not in affect, the

Author: Marion Krahn,
Development Officer

Reviewed by: _____

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rezoning would need to consist of a minimum of 10 lots as required in the Rural Country Residential Districts of the Land Use Bylaw.

OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

The applicant contacted the Development Department to discuss the potential subdivision and indicated that he had been given assurances at the time of the school access amendment that a subdivision of both parcels would be supported. The development staff questioned who had provided the assurances and the applicant indicated that they had been given by George Greenwell of Alberta Transportation.

The applicant indicated that, as the fragmentation of his lands was not completed at his request, the subdivision of the two parcels should be allowed to compensate his provision of lands for the Buffalo Head Prairie School access. In addition, the applicant indicated that the fragmented lands are too small for agricultural purposes.

Assurances had been given to the applicant that a surveyor would not be required in order to process the subdivision of the lands as it could be processed by Descriptive Plan. The manner in which a subdivision is registered is determined by Alberta Land Titles and regardless of whether a subdivision is registered by Descriptive Plan or Plan of Survey a surveyor must be hired as Land Titles will not accept subdivision documentation that does not include surveyed plans. Alberta Land Titles will indicate their plan requirements to the surveyor and not the municipality.

The exact dimensions of these parcels are not known at present.

The plans show that two parcels have been fragmented from the quarter by the access however the northerly most parcel is not fragmented at this time as the westerly most portion of the access has not been built to north boundary of the quarter section.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

All costs will be borne by the applicant.

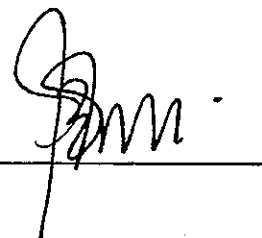
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the subdivision proposal for Simon Froese on SE 23-105-14-W5M for the two (2) fragmented parcels located in the northeasterly portion of the lands be allowed to proceed to the subdivision process with the understanding that the remaining subdivision conditions will be imposed by the Municipal Planning Commission.

In essence 4 parcels, one being the school.

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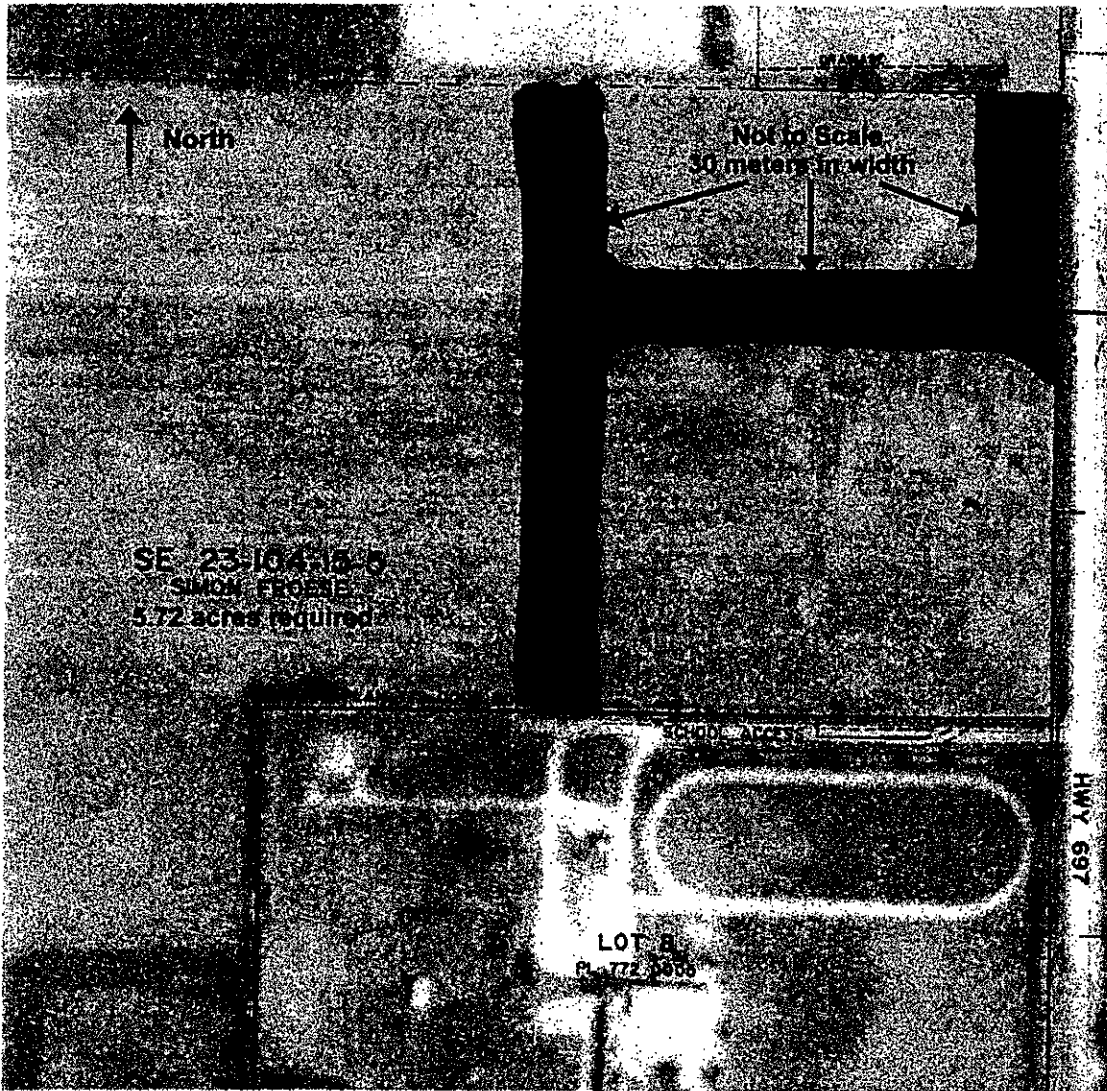
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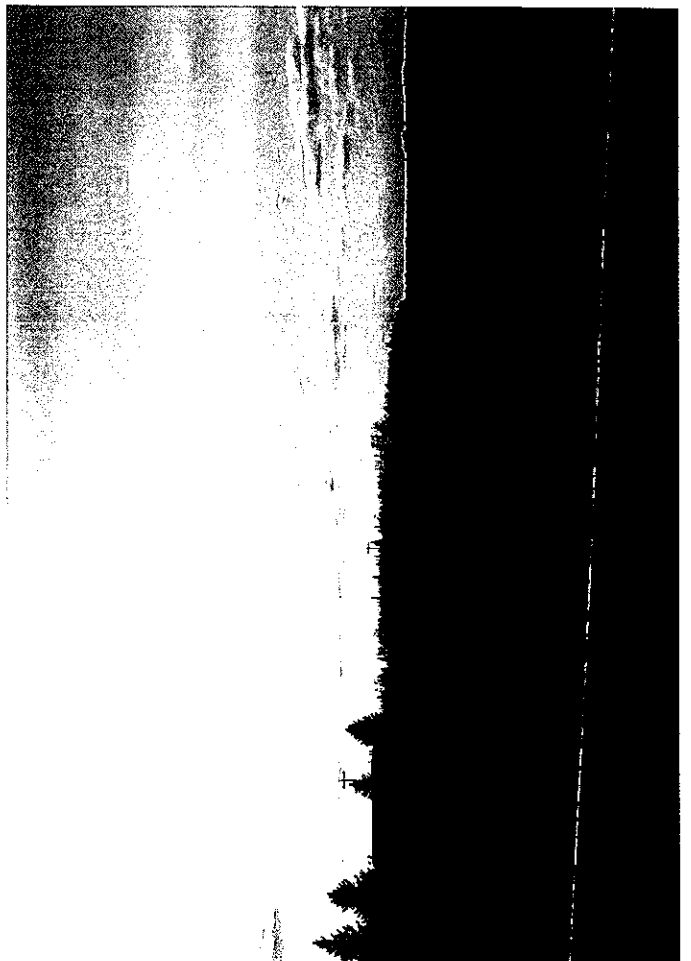
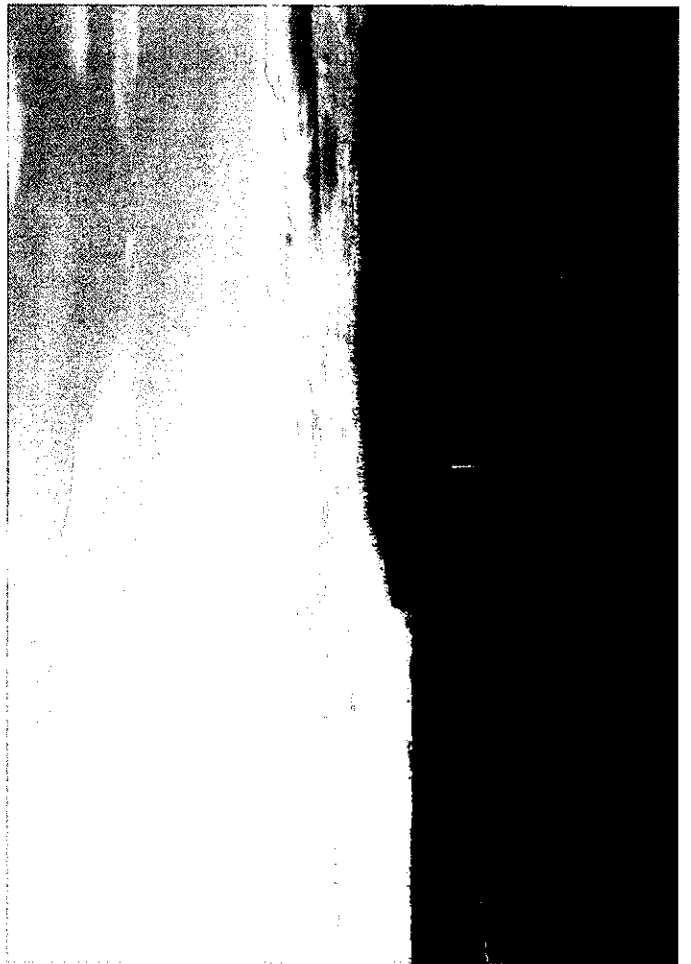


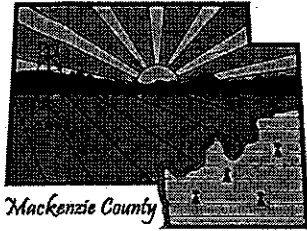
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Site Plan
Offer to Sell Agreement
SE 23-104-15-5, Simon Froese
5.72 acres required

Landowners initials S.F.







MACKENZIE COUNTY REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	June 10, 2008
Presented By:	William Kostiw, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Information/Correspondence

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL:

The information/correspondence items will be presented on the meeting day.

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OPTIONS & BENEFITS:

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: CAO

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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

Author: C. Gabriel Review by: CAO

**Mackenzie County
Action List as of May 22, 2008**

Council Meeting Motions Requiring Action

Motion	Action Required	Action By	Status
October 10, 2006 Council Meeting			
06-714	That the Wolfe Lake Water Point be referred to the Operations Committee for review.	John K. Ed, John W. Bill N., Ryan	In progress
October 10, 2007 Council Meeting			
07-10-876	That administration work on the three and seven year infrastructure plans and consult with engineers as required.	Mark	In progress
October 25, 2007 Council Meeting			
07-10-958	That the Chief Administrative Officer follow up with the Emergency Services communications network.	Ryan, Jason, John, Greg	July 2008
07-10-992	That administrative support be provided to Mustus Energy Ltd. to investigate funding sources from municipal, provincial, and federal entities and bring back options to Council.	Bill K. Greg N.	In progress
November 13, 2007 Council Meeting			
07-11-1050	That administration negotiate the purchase of Public Land with Alberta Sustainable Resource Development for the future urban expansion for the Hamlet of Zama.	Ryan Lisa Bill K.	In progress
January 30, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-01-068	That the Chief Administrative Officer or designate work with Mackenzie Housing regarding the affordable housing proposal in Zama.	Bill K. Joulia Don <i>hisa</i>	In progress
February 12, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-02-113	That the Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of NW 19-109-19-W5M from Agricultural Industrial District 1 "A1" to Rural Industrial District 1 "R11" be tabled for further information including an area structure plan, access, and buffer zone. (C. Lee)	Ryan Stuart Greg Bill K.	In review ?

Motion	Action Required	Action By	Status
March 11, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-03-185	That a request for proposals be prepared and advertised for the assessment services provision for a five-year contract, if possible in conjunction with the Towns of High Level and Rainbow Lake for Council's perusal.	Joulia	In progress
08-03-187	That administration research options and costs of auditing the local non-profit organizations that operate the County owned facilities or grounds.	Joulia	In progress
March 26, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-03-223	That a letter be sent through the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties to follow up on the Aboriginal consultation process.	Bill K. Joulia	In progress
08-03-227	That administration issue a request for proposals for the development of land in Zama.	Ryan Don Lisa	In progress
April 10, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-04-258	That the fuel program for 2008 be tabled to the Finance Committee for review.	Mark Joulia	Finance Committee
08-04-271	That administration be instructed to notify all property owners affected by the rezoning of lands under Bylaw 462/04.	Ryan	In progress
April 23, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-04-290	That administration draft a littering bylaw for review by Council on May 22, 2008.	Ryan John K. Greg, Ray	In progress
08-04-292	That administration be instructed to incorporate aspects of other Municipal land purchase procedures with Mackenzie County's land purchase policy and present to Council for review at a future meeting.	John K. Ryan	In progress
08-04-302	That the County work with other municipalities to improve CN Rail service.	Bill K. Council	Under review

Motion	Action Required	Action By	Status
May 6, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-05-330	That the Community Service Agreement for Machesis Lake be renewed for one year and that administration investigate other options.	John K. Lisa	In progress
May 22, 2008 Council Meeting			
08-05-383	That the County negotiate the extension of the current contract for 102 nd street project, in the Hamlet of La Crete, with the contractor and bring it back to Council at their June 10, 2008 meeting for final funding options.	John K. Bill K.	June 10/08
08-05-386	That the County hold a Public Auction for the sale of five lots (Part of SW 18-117-4-W6M) within the Hamlet of Zama and that a reserve bid be set at \$12,000.00 per lot.	Ryan Joulia	June 12/08

Carol Gabriel

From: Joulia Whittleton
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2008 10:12 AM
To: Council
Cc: Bill Kostiw; Ryan Becker
Subject: Government moving ambulance services under Alberta's health system
Importance: High

Alberta

News release

May 29, 2008

Government moving ambulance services under Alberta's health system

New model reconciles governance and funding, integrate ground emergency services with health care providers

Edmonton... In a move designed to improve patient care, accountability, and efficiency, government will transfer responsibility for ground ambulance services from municipalities to the new provincial health authority. The transition will take full effect April 1, 2009.

“EMS practitioners are highly trained health care professionals providing front line care and saving lives,” said Health and Wellness Minister Ron Liepert. “They rightfully belong in the health care system as first responders to medical emergencies.”

The decision is based on extensive study done recently by an MLA committee, departmental review, discovery projects, and review of those projects by an independent third party analyst.

As well, over the past ten years a series of reports, consultations and discussions have taken place around the province on this topic. They have all generally reached the same conclusion - Emergency Medical Service (EMS) is health care, and therefore the governance and funding belong in the health system.

“This is an excellent example of what I’ve spoken of before - some of these things have been studied to death, and it’s time to take decisive action,” Liepert said. “Ambulance service is health care and as such should be part of the health system. This just makes sense. We will increase funding and provide leadership to ensure the transition is as seamless as possible.”

In preparation for the formal transfer of operational roles and responsibilities, Alberta Health and Wellness has prepared transition materials as a principal guide for the new provincial health authority to move to a fully integrated ground EMS.

Alberta is striving for a comprehensive, seamless, fully integrated health system. Repeatedly, previous research concluded and recommended that EMS should be structured and managed as an integral component of the health care system and that the services should be coordinated to be better able to address the geographic and demographic differences that exist throughout the rural and urban areas of the province.

The new provincial health authority will have the flexibility to either provide services directly, or they may establish agreements with third party providers, but the ultimate responsibility lies within the health care system. Users of ambulance services will continue to pay a portion of the cost. When the transfer of services is complete, the province will cover 90 per cent of total costs, as opposed to 67 per cent covered today.

Once ambulance governance has been transferred to the health system, for consistency purposes EMS practitioners will become an essential service.

This move represents the latest action by government on a series of fundamental reforms outlined in a health action plan released last month. Earlier this month government announced a new governance model for the health system with the creation of the Alberta Health Services Board.

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Backgrounder attached.

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May 29, 2008

Facts and statistics on ambulance services

The present ambulance system in Alberta costs \$190 million to which the province contributes \$128 million. This year, Alberta Health and Wellness will provide additional one time funding of approximately \$29 million to support transition activities.

In 2009/2010 enhancements of \$27 million will be introduced to increase levels of service with an additional \$40 million to replace current municipal funding. Total system costs will be \$217 million; which includes \$19 million in patient revenue and \$3 million from the Government of Canada.

In addition, this year, municipalities will continue to receive \$55 million to help offset any costs they incur to ensure services are provided to March 31, 2009. This is the fourth year they have received this grant funding, which was previously unavailable to the municipalities.

More than 80 service providers supply ground ambulance services throughout Alberta. There are an average of about 260,000 trips per year, involving more than 500 ambulances and 3,000 emergency medical services practitioners.

Background studies on responsibility for ambulance services

Over the past ten years a series of reports, consultations and discussions have taken place around the province on the responsibility for ambulance services. They have all generally reached the same conclusion - Emergency Medical Service (EMS) is health care, and therefore the governance and funding belong in the health system.

Previous research and reviews provided by the MLA Review of Ambulance Service Delivery (2003) and the Minister of Health and Wellness' Ambulance Governance Advisory Council (2006) concluded that EMS should be more focussed on patient care, and that services should be coordinated to be better able to address the geographic and demographic differences that exist throughout the rural and urban areas of the province.

Coupled with this research, the EMS Discovery Projects currently being managed by the Palliser and Peace Country Health Regions provide significant operational knowledge and understanding on how the transfer of services (including inter-professional links) could be achieved. These projects began in April 2005.

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May 21, 2008

Land-use framework goals

Edmonton... The *Draft Land-use Framework* identifies three desired outcomes that must be achieved to meet Alberta's long-term economic, environmental and social goals. For each outcome, the framework outlines provincial objectives that must be reflected in all regional land-use plans.

Outcome: Sustainable prosperity supported by our land and natural resources

- Develop Alberta's natural resources in a way that optimizes value for the broadest number of Albertans and reduces waste.
- Ensure reasonable and timely access to these resources.
- Promote innovation, value-added diversification, global competitiveness and the balanced and responsible use of natural resources as crucial to sustaining the momentum of Alberta's economy.
- Effectively balance and manage the interests of surface users and surface and subsurface developments.
- Ensure that land and resource use promotes diverse industries, stimulates environmentally sound economic activity and leaves economic opportunities open for future Albertans.

Outcome: Healthy ecosystems and environment

- Maintain or enhance the life-supporting capacity of air, water, land and biodiversity and sustain the natural resources that form part of the environment.
- Respect the intrinsic value of nature.
- Maintain and/or enhance soil and soil fertility.
- Protect the quality and quantity of ground and surface water.
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution, minimize waste and maintain the biodiversity and abundance of native species and their natural habitats.

Outcome: Livable communities and recreational opportunities

- Focus settlement development and land use on efficient use of land, infrastructure, public services and public facilities.
- Identify and protect significant historical resources and manage potential impacts effectively. Parks and protected areas are valued as natural landscapes that allow people to enjoy their connection to the natural world.
- Communities are prepared to respond to and adapt to a changing climate and environmental events (e.g., floods, drought).
- Engage stakeholders in planning processes to improve the quality of land-use decisions and build confidence in the decision-making processes.

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Cumulative effects management

Edmonton... The *Draft Land-use Framework* will use a cumulative effects management approach to manage the impacts of development on air, land, water and biodiversity at the regional level.

Every landscape is different and requires different outcomes to balance economic, social, and environmental needs. The *Draft Land-use Framework* calls for a cumulative effects management approach to address the combined impacts of existing and new activities within each of the six proposed regions.

What is cumulative effects management?

In October 2007, the Alberta government announced a broad new approach to address cumulative effects. The cumulative effects management approach:

- considers the total impact of development in a region, over time, in decision-making;
- determines the capacity of the land and the environment to support the effects of all activities; and
- identifies thresholds for the air, land, water and biodiversity.

Using this approach, regional land-use plans will ensure that the impacts of development are kept within defined thresholds.

Has this approach been used before?

A prototype project on cumulative effects management is under way in Alberta's Industrial Heartland, a 460-square kilometer area northeast of Edmonton. The plan for the Heartland:

- lays out clear targets for air quality;
- puts in place a water management framework to protect water quality and quantity; and
- establishes guidelines to protect the land in the region.

Targets, outcomes and actions apply to all major industrial users in the region.

What impact will this approach have on decisions about how the land is used?

Use of cumulative effects management:

- focuses planning and decision-making on the impacts of activities, rather than the activities themselves;
- ensures that all the impacts of all activities, over time, are considered and included;
- encourages innovation to protect the environment as we continue to grow and develop; and
- considers implications of development on a regional basis because every landscape is different.

How is this a change from the current system?

Alberta's system for assessing the environmental impacts of new developments has usually been done on a project-by-project basis. The cumulative effects management approach:

- assesses all potential impacts of all projects within a region, both existing and new; and
- creates a more comprehensive view of development and land-use activity.

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Regional land-use plans

Edmonton... Under the *Draft Land-use Framework*, Alberta is divided into six regions, for which land-use plans will be developed.

Alberta's six land-use regions are based on the province's major watersheds, adjusted to best fit with existing municipal boundaries and our natural regions. The six regions are North, North-East, North-West, North-Central, South-Central and South.

Development of Regional Land-use Plans

The Cabinet Committee and Land-use Secretariat will be responsible for the development of regional plans in conjunction with government departments and Regional Advisory Councils. These advisory councils will:

- consist of members representing the range of interests within each region (e.g., provincial, municipal, industry, non-government groups, Aboriginal representatives, and other relevant planning bodies);
- provide advice on addressing trade-off decisions regarding land uses and on setting thresholds to address cumulative effects;
- be appointed by the provincial government and have a short-term mandate to provide advice on the regional plan over the course of its development;
- help ensure that the public are engaged in the regional planning process.

Regional Plans

The land-use plan for each region will reflect the vision, principles and desired outcomes of the Land-use Framework. In addition, regional plans will:

- define regional outcomes (economic, environmental and social) and a broad plan for land and natural resource use for both public and private lands within the region;
- align provincial strategies and policies at the regional level (including air, land, water and biodiversity);
- reflect the uniqueness and priorities of each region;
- determine specific trade-offs and appropriate land and natural resource management for landscapes within the region;
- define the cumulative effects management approach for the region and identify targets and thresholds;
- provide direction and context for local plans within the region;
- recognize the authority and role of municipalities in local decision-making; and
- be subject to regular reviews and public reporting.

Regional plans will be approved by Cabinet and become provincial land-use policy for the region.

Municipal Planning

Municipalities will retain their current authority and role in land-use planning and decision-making but will need to ensure their plans and decisions are consistent with regional plans. They will outline how their municipal development plans will align with and address provincial directions stated in regional plans; and amend municipal planning documents to adopt and implement regional planning directions.

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Land-use framework six key strategies

Edmonton... The *Draft Land-use Framework* proposes six key strategies to improve land-use planning and decision-making in Alberta.

Strategy 1: Develop six regional land-use plans based on six new land-use regions.

- Proposed regions based on the major watersheds with boundaries aligned to best fit with existing municipal boundaries and the natural regions.
- Regional plans integrate provincial policies at the regional level; set out regional land-use objectives; provide context for land-use decision-making within the region; and reflect the uniqueness and priorities of each region.
- Regional plans define economic, environmental and social outcomes for regions, and a broad plan for land and natural resource use for public and private lands within the regions.
- Municipalities and provincial government departments must comply with each regional plan in their decision-making.

Strategy 2: Create a Cabinet Committee supported by a Land-use Secretariat and establish a Regional Advisory Council for each region.

- A Cabinet Committee will oversee implementation of the Land-use Framework.
- The Cabinet Committee and Land-use Secretariat will be responsible for the development of regional plans in conjunction with government departments and the Regional Advisory Councils.
- Regional Advisory Councils, with members representing the range of interests within the region, will provide advice to the Secretariat on the development of regional plans.
- Once approved by Cabinet, regional plans will become provincial policy.
- Local decision-making authority remains with the same officials who currently exercise it.
- Local decisions need to be consistent with regional plans.

Strategy 3: Cumulative effects approach will be used at the regional level to manage the impacts of development on land, water and air.

- Regional plans will adopt a cumulative effects approach that considers the total impact of development in a region, over time, in decision-making and imposes limits on impacts, rather than on development.
- The Alberta government will identify appropriate thresholds and targets for air, land, water and biodiversity at the regional levels and where appropriate, at sub-regional levels.
- Land-use planning and decision-making will operate within these defined thresholds.
- This approach will balance environmental objectives with our socio-economic values.

Strategy 4: Develop new policy tools for conservation and stewardship on private and public lands.

- The Alberta government will work with the Institute of Agriculture, Forestry and the Environment, and other provincial applied research institutes to develop a strategy for conservation and stewardship on public and private lands. The strategy will:
 - evaluate the effectiveness of programs and practices;
 - develop education and awareness programs;
 - identify and develop new best practices, tools, market-based approaches and incentives to provide ecological goods and services;
 - develop action plans for the conservation and sustainable use of Alberta's biodiversity that can be used to support and inform the development of regional plans.

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Strategy 5: Establish an information, monitoring and knowledge system to contribute to the continuous improvement of land-use planning and decision-making.

- The provincial government will create an improved Integrated Information Management System that monitors the state of the land and the status of land use in the province.
- It will build on existing information-sharing initiatives; review and improve protocols for information sharing, and incorporate scientific and traditional ecological knowledge.
- Monitoring, evaluation and reporting systems will determine if land-use policies are achieving desired outcomes.
- The Alberta Biodiversity Monitoring Program, which will be implemented through the Alberta Biodiversity Monitoring Institute, will be a central component of this system.

Strategy 6: Include Aboriginal Peoples in land-use planning

The Aboriginal Peoples of Alberta have an historic connection to Alberta's land and environment. The Alberta government will:

- strive for a meaningful balance that respects the constitutionally protected rights of aboriginal communities and the interests of all Albertans.
- encourage Aboriginal communities to participate in the development of land-use plans;
- continue to support traditional use studies to document Aboriginal uses of public lands and share information on Aboriginal uses of public land to inform the decision-making process; and
- strive to protect and preserve identified sacred cultural sites for future generations.

Priority actions

Metropolitan plans for the Capital and Calgary regions

- The framework supports the development and implementation of the Capital Region Plan slated for completion by January 2009, and the completion of the metropolitan planning initiative being undertaken by the Calgary Regional Partnership.
- The Alberta government recognizes that metropolitan plans may be completed before regional plans are in place. Once completed, the regional plans will guide future updates of the metropolitan plans.

Southern Alberta Regional Plan

- Southern Alberta contains over half of Alberta's total population but has the least water.
- Most of Alberta's coal-bed methane, roads and rail lines are concentrated in Southern Alberta. The region grows most of Alberta's wheat, barley and canola, and contains the majority of feedlots.
- Southern Alberta depends on the ecological integrity of the eastern slopes for its water supply.

Northeast Alberta Regional Plan

- Alberta's oil sands and related activity are important drivers of the provincial economy.
- The pace of growth in the oil sands has created pressures on essential services, infrastructure, and the environment.

The framework also identifies that clear provincial policy is important to address ongoing challenges:

- develop a transportation and utility corridors strategy to reduce land fragmentation and environmental impact;
- develop a plan for parks to conserve and protect the diversity of Alberta's land base;
- determine more effective approaches to reduce the fragmentation and conversion of agricultural land;
- develop a comprehensive strategy to better manage growing recreational use pressures on public lands;
- develop policy to minimize exposure of developments and settlements to flood risk; and
- review the current process for identifying major surface concerns prior to public offering of Crown mineral rights.

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May 21, 2008

Draft Land-use Framework charts new direction for planning and decision-making in Alberta

Edmonton...The Alberta government has released a draft framework to improve land-use planning and decision-making in Alberta following 18 months of consultation with stakeholders and the public.

“Albertans have asked for a planning framework that better balances our environmental, social and economic needs and provides greater certainty for decision-makers,” said Ted Morton, Sustainable Resource Development Minister. “The *Draft Land-use Framework* does this. It provides a strategic blueprint for all levels of government and Albertans as we make decisions today about the province we want in the future.”

The *Draft Land-use Framework* proposes six key strategies to improve land-use decision-making in Alberta.

- Establish six new land-use regions with a requirement to develop regional plans for each.
- Establish a new Cabinet committee to oversee regional plan development, supported by a Land-use Secretariat. Regional Advisory Councils will be established for each region. The members of these councils will include provincial, municipal, industry, non-government, and aboriginal representatives, as well as other relevant planning bodies within the region.
- Use a cumulative effects approach at the regional level to manage the impacts of development on air, land, water and biodiversity.
- Develop new policy tools for conservation and stewardship on private and public lands.
- Establish an information, monitoring and reporting system to support planning and decision-making.
- Include Aboriginal Peoples in land-use planning.

“The *Draft Land-use Framework* is a significant step forward in the evolution of land-use planning in Alberta,” said Morton. “The purpose of the framework is to manage growth—not stop it. It promotes responsible growth, a future with plentiful opportunities and a healthy environment.”

“The draft framework proposes better tools, processes and resources to make the right decisions,” added Morton. “At the same time, it respects personal property rights and the decision-making authority of local governments.”

The government also identified four immediate planning priorities: the completion and implementation of metropolitan plans for the Capital and Calgary regions; and the completion of the Southern Alberta Regional Plan and the Northeast Alberta Regional Plan.

In addition, stakeholders have noted that clear provincial policy is important to address ongoing challenges. The Alberta government will:

- develop a transportation and utility corridors strategy;
- prepare a plan for parks to conserve and protect the diversity of Alberta’s land base;
- determine more effective approaches to reduce the fragmentation and conversion of agricultural land;
- develop a comprehensive strategy to better manage growing recreational use pressures on public lands;
- develop policy to minimize exposure of developments and settlements to flood risk; and
- review the current process for identifying major surface concerns prior to public offering of Crown mineral rights.

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With the release of the draft framework, the government will consult with stakeholders and discuss how to move forward with implementation. Work has already started on the immediate planning priorities, and government officials have begun to identify the legislation, regulations and policies needed to implement the framework.

Albertans can read the *Draft Land-use Framework* and provide feedback by completing the public survey. The survey and draft framework can be accessed online at www.landuse.gov.ab.ca. Print versions of the survey and the draft framework can be obtained on the website or by calling 310-4455 to have a package mailed.

The development of the *Draft Land-use Framework* is a provincial cross-ministry initiative involving Sustainable Resource Development; Energy; Environment; Agriculture and Rural Development; Municipal Affairs; Infrastructure; Transportation; Tourism, Parks and Recreation; and Aboriginal Relations.

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Attachments:

News Release Backgrounders:

- Land-use Framework Six Key Strategies backgrounder
- Regional Land-use Plans backgrounder
- Cumulative Effects Management backgrounder
- Land-use Framework Goals backgrounder
- Public Questions & Answers

Other resource materials available at www.landuse.gov.ab.ca.

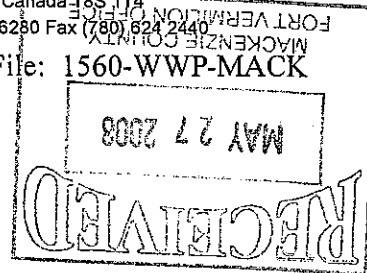
Media inquiries may be directed to:

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Alberta Sustainable Resource Development
(780) 427-8636

To call toll-free within Alberta dial 310.0000.

May 22, 2008

Our File: 1560-WWP-MACK



Mr. William (Bill) Kostiw, CAO
Mackenzie County
Box 640
Fort Vermilion, Alberta T0H 1N0

Dear Mr. Kostiw:

**Re: Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership
Regional SCADA System**

Please be advised that a grant in the amount of \$400,000 is being electronically transferred to Mackenzie County. This amount represents an advance payment under the Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership and is provided to assist you with the Regional SCADA System project for the Hamlets of Fort Vermilion, Zama City and La Crete.

We are pleased to assist you with this worthwhile endeavour. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this program, please contact Craig Bindner, Infrastructure Grants Technologist in Peace River, at (780) 624-6280.

Yours truly,

Wayne Franklin, P.Eng.
Regional Director

CB:mlb

cc: Mr. Frank Oberle, M.L.A., Peace River
Mr. Glen Tjostheim, Acting Infrastructure Manager, Alberta Transportation
Mr. Dave McIntyre, Water/Wastewater Specialist, Alberta Transportation



ALBERTA
TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Minister



AR35726

May 27, 2008

Mr. Greg Newman
Reeve
Mackenzie County
P.O. Box 640
Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Dear Reeve Newman:

Thank you for your letter of May 2, 2008 regarding the Tompkins Landing Ferry and highway maintenance in your community.

The Tompkins Landing ferry was successfully launched on May 2, 2008. The ferry was expected to be in operation following removal of the ice bridge on April 27, 2008. Regrettably, the replacement parts did not function properly upon installation and this caused a three-day delay.

Alberta Transportation is committed to providing the motoring public with a safe and dependable highway network. I assure you procedures and timeliness are priorities and to ensure proper upkeep, highway maintenance must be responded to within the timeframe set by government. Department staff monitor the performance of the highway maintenance contractors and routinely evaluate the contractor's response time and look for ways to improve operations. The department is working with LaPrairie Group Contractors (Alberta) Ltd. to address your level of service concerns, including the winter maintenance and repair of the ferry. Mr. Bill Gish, Operations Manager in Peace River, is available to discuss your concerns in more detail. Mr. Gish can be contacted at (780) 624-6280, toll-free by first dialing 310-0000.

Thank you for writing to express your concerns.

Sincerely,

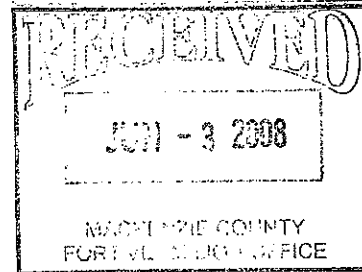
Luke Ouellette
Minister of Transportation
M.L.A., Innisfail-Sylvan Lake

cc: Mr. Frank Oberle, M.L.A., Peace River
Bill Gish



ALBERTA
SENIORS AND COMMUNITY SUPPORTS
Office of the Minister

May 28, 2008



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Mr. Gregory Alan Newman, Reeve
Mackenzie County
Box 640
Fort Vermilion, Alberta
T0H 1N0

Dear Reeve Newman:

For a third year, June 15 will mark the day when communities across Alberta, Canada, and internationally heighten efforts to raise awareness about the important issue of elder abuse. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day was first proclaimed in 2006 by the International Network for Elder Abuse to bring attention to the issue of elder abuse and neglect.

Financial abuse is the most frequent form of abuse. Financial abuse occurs when a senior's money, financial resources or property are used or accessed without his or her consent or understanding. This may involve stealing a senior's money or possessions; misusing his or her bank or credit cards; or misusing a power of attorney through fraud, trickery, theft or force. Seniors who are victims of abuse are often reluctant to speak out about the abuse, especially if the abuser is a trusted person in the senior's life, such as a spouse, family member (often an adult child), caregiver or friend.

Education and awareness are imperative to preventing any type of abuse, including protecting seniors from financial abuse. I encourage you to support and promote World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in your community. I have enclosed materials which were developed by the Ministry and the Alberta Elder Abuse Awareness Network (AEAAN): a poster, Financial Abuse Fact Sheet and brochure. The AEAAN is a province-wide group of representatives from government, community agencies, and stakeholder organizations who are dedicated to increasing awareness of elder abuse and supporting a community response. Also enclosed are materials produced through the Federal/Provincial/Territorial Ministers Responsible for Seniors forum, including an information kit and a set of fact sheets.

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Mr. Gregory Alan Newman, Reeve
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If you require additional copies of these materials, please visit the Alberta Elder Abuse Awareness Network Website at www.albertaelderabuse.ca or call the Alberta Seniors Information Line at 1-800-642-3853.

I appreciate your support in working with government to help to eradicate elder abuse in Alberta.

Sincerely,

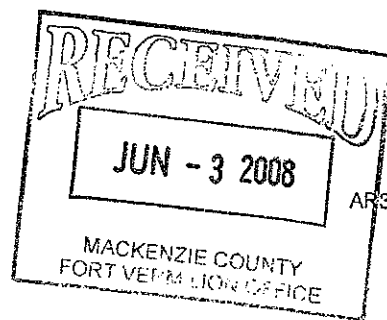
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Mary Anne Jablonski
Minister



ALBERTA
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Office of the Minister
MLA, Lac La Biche - St. Paul



May 28, 2008

Reeve Gregory Alan Newman
Mackenzie County
PO Box 640
Fort Vermilion, Alberta T0H 1N0

Dear Reeve Newman:

I am pleased to invite Mackenzie County to provide submissions for the seventh annual Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence, which formally recognize local government excellence and promote knowledge sharing among municipalities. These awards offer an opportunity to recognize the truly great work being done by local governments in Alberta.

An independent review committee, comprised of representatives from various municipal associations, will recommend award recipients in four categories:

- Innovation Award – recognizes a leading practice embodying the first use of an idea in a municipal context in Alberta;
- Partnership Award – recognizes a leading municipal practice involving consultation, coordination, and cooperation with other municipalities, jurisdictions, or organizations;
- Smaller Municipality Award – recognizes the innovative practices developed by communities with less than 3,000 residents; and
- Outstanding Achievement Award – recognizes a municipality or municipal partnership that has helped to inspire action and change that has benefited local government practices in Alberta. *This award, chosen by the review committee, recognizes the best submission from the other categories.*

Submission forms and additional details may be found on the Municipal Excellence Network website at www.menet.ab.ca. The submission deadline is June 23, 2008 (noon).

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Reeve Gregory Alan Newman
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I encourage you to share your success stories, and I look forward to celebrating these successes with your communities and your neighbours!

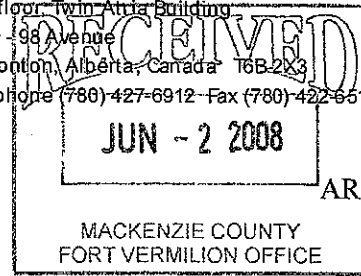
If you have any questions regarding the Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence or the Municipal Excellence Network, please direct them to the Municipal Excellence team, at 780-427-2225 or by e-mail at menet@gov.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ray Danyluk', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ray Danyluk
Minister

2nd floor, Twin Atria Building
4999 - 98 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6B 2X3
Telephone (780) 427-6912 - Fax (780) 422-6515



AR35420

May 20, 2008

Dear Client,

I am contacting you today to ask for your participation in a survey designed to assess your satisfaction with the services you received from the Ministry.

Alberta Transportation is committed to continuous improvement in the delivery of our programs and provision of services to our clients. The Ministry conducts a biennial survey to assess the level of satisfaction clients have with services provided. With your feedback, we can undertake improvements to better meet the needs of all clientele.

Bannister Research and Consulting Inc. is contacting a sample of those who have received services from the Ministry during the 2007 calendar year to participate in the survey. This independent research firm has been retained to administer the survey on behalf of the Ministry to ensure that feedback is confidential and the analysis of findings is objective.

I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to provide your input. The survey is brief and should take no more than ten to fifteen minutes to complete. Your participation is important to ensure that a variety of views are captured.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to share your comments. Should you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Ms. Sandra Stemmer, Director of Strategic and Business Planning, by e-mail at sandra.stemmer@gov.ab.ca or by telephone at (780) 644-7111 (dial 310-0000 first for toll-free access within Alberta).

Sincerely,

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Jay G. Ramotar, P.Eng.
Deputy Minister

ALBERTA INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORTATION

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CLIENT SURVEY (DMG 1)

About the Survey

Your feedback is important in improving our services. Please help us out by completing the following survey to give us an overview of our performance in providing services to your organization in 2007.

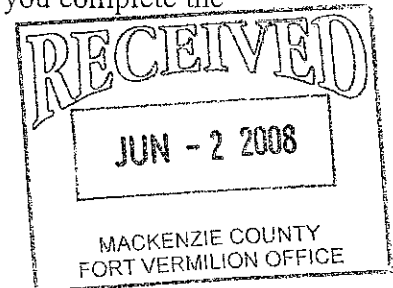
This survey is conducted every two years to gather an overview of how well Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation staff are serving clients.

Anonymity

Banister Research & Consulting Inc. will collect your responses, compile and analyze the data. Individual responses will be kept strictly confidential. Results released will only be done in a summarized form. For analysis purposes, we do ask that you complete the profile section at the beginning of the survey.

Return Survey to:

Banister Research & Consulting Inc.
11223 – 99 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 0G9
Fax: (780) 451-2777



Survey being administered by:

Banister Research & Consulting Inc.

Deadline

Please return your completed survey by: **June 13, 2008**

If you would prefer to complete the questionnaire online, please visit this website:

<http://www.banister.ab.ca/AITsurvey2008/>

To complete the survey, enter the ID number and password on the top right corner of this page

Questions?

If you have any questions about completing the survey, please contact Tracy With at Banister Research & Consulting Inc. in Edmonton (780) 451-4444.

Part I: About You

1. Please indicate the area(s) in which your operation has primary locations.

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calgary | <input type="checkbox"/> Grande Prairie | <input type="checkbox"/> Red Deer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Edmonton | <input type="checkbox"/> Lethbridge | <input type="checkbox"/> Province Wide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ft. McMurray | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicine Hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
- (Please specify) _____

2. Which of the following best describes the sector to which your organization belongs?

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government - Federal | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate, Landlord, Tenant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government - Provincial | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Developer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government - Municipal | <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Utilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Schools and School Boards (K-12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Post-Secondary Institutions | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering/Architecture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Nations/Métis/Inuit | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Carriers (Bus, Truck, Air) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Dangerous Goods Handler/Shipper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registry and Driver Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
- (Please specify) _____

3. If you are an occupant in Government owned and/or leased facilities, please check all boxes that apply:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational/Training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Correctional/Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural/Museum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warehouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Research | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory | (Please specify) _____ |

Part II: Priority of Services

To help us assess the value of our services, we need to know which aspects of our services are most important to your organization when dealing with Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation. Using the scale below, check the number for each question that indicates your level of satisfaction.

The questions are intended to gather feedback on services provided by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation from January to December 2007.

4.	Very Unimportant	Unimportant	Somewhat Unimportant	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5	6
a) Clarity of written materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Ease of access to information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Ease of access to services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Consistency of services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Timeliness of service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Proficiency of staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g) Courtesy of staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Part III: Satisfaction with Services

Management of Municipal Grant Programs

The following questions relate to key services or programs of Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation that deal with **MANAGEMENT OF MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAMS** including administration of grant applications and payments; and clarification of policy and eligibility criteria.

N/A Key Service or Program Area is Not Applicable. Please Proceed to Next Question.

Please indicate how often you had contact (e.g., in-person, telephone, written or electronic communication) with Infrastructure and Transportation staff regarding this key service or program area in 2007:

1 - 5 times 6 - 10 times 11 or more times

5. <i>Looking back to 2007, how satisfied are you with...</i>	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	N/A
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
a) Clarity of written materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Ease of access to information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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e) Timeliness of service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Proficiency of staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g) Courtesy of staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h) Staff doing everything necessary to address your needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i) Overall quality of service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

What changes or improvements would better meet your needs?

6. What is your overall satisfaction with the quality of all services provided by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation staff?

Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
1	2	3	4	5	6
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Part IV: Comments

We welcome and value your comments. Please use the space provided for any additional comments or suggestions that you may have about Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation's services. If necessary, feel free to attach an additional comment page.

*Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.
Please return your completed survey by _____, 2008.*



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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Friday, May 16, 2008


Mr. Greg Newman, Reeve
Mackenzie County
P.O. Box 640
Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Dear Reeve and Council,

We are please to inform you that Council has unanimously approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Mackenzie County and the Town of High Level at their May 12, 2008 Regular Council meeting.

Council is anticipating great outcomes for our community and region as a result of the combined efforts of both governments. We thank you for your diligence and cooperation in this great achievement and look forward to working with you in the future.

Yours truly,

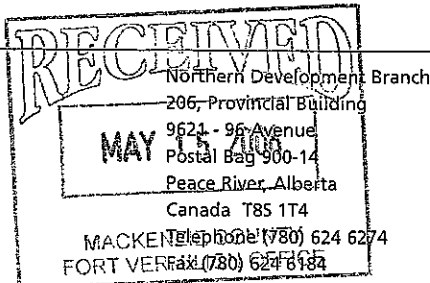


George Schmidt
Mayor

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cc: Council

Gateway To The South



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May 12, 2008

Mr. Bill Kostiw
Chief Administrative Officer Mackenzie County
Box 640
Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0

Dear Chief Administrative Officer Kostiw,

Subject: Mountain Pine Beetle and Alberta's Communities

Northern Alberta Development Council (NADC) hosted three meetings during the past year in Grande Prairie to inform stakeholders of the Mountain Pine Beetle issues.

The Northern Alberta Development Council invites you to a Mountain Pine Beetle Follow-Up Meeting on June 27, 2008. The meeting's purpose is to provide an update on the mountain pine beetle infestation, to find out what the provincial and federal government is doing about it, and the key role of industry.

The Mountain Pine Beetle Follow up Meeting

Friday, June 27, 2008

Holiday Inn and Conference Center

9816 – 107 Street, Grande Prairie

9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Coffee, Refreshments, and Lunch will be provided

The meeting's finalized agenda will be available upon signing in at the registration table. The attached draft agenda is subject to change without notice.

There is no cost to attend, however seating is limited, please register with the provided form on or before Tuesday June 24, 2008. You can fax your complete registration information to 780 624 6184 or e-mail your registration information to kris.rollheiser@gov.ab.ca. For more information call 780 624 6336 (dial 310-000 for toll free within Alberta).

Yours truly,

Kris Rollheiser
Research Officer

/Attachments



Northern
Alberta
Development
Council

Mountain Pine Beetle Follow-up

Date: Friday, June 27th, 2008

Time: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Place: Holiday Inn and Conference Centre
9816 – 107 Street Grande Prairie, AB

Meeting Purpose

To provide an update on the mountain pine beetle infestation, to find out what the provincial and federal government is doing, and the key role of industry.

Registration Information (Please Print)

Organization: _____

Mail Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

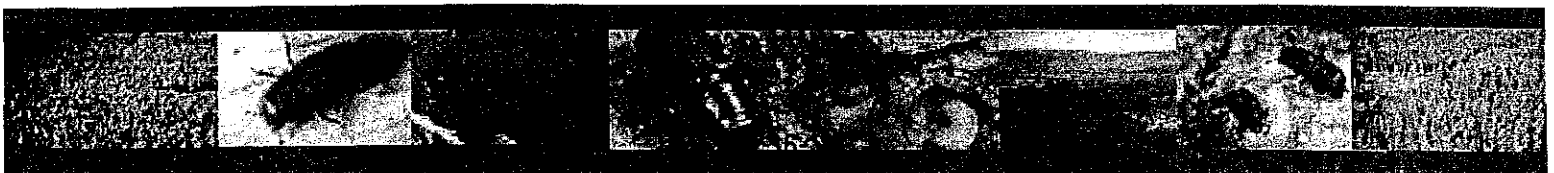
No cost to register - Lunch will be provided

Although there is no cost to register, seating is limited, please register early.

Deadline to register is Tuesday, June 24th, 2008

Choose one of the following ways to register with Northern Alberta Development Council:

- Fax to 1-780- 624-6184
- E-mail complete Registration Information to kris.rollheiser@gov.ab.ca



Mountain Pine Beetle Follow-up

Friday, June 27, 2008
Holiday Inn and Conference Centre
9816 – 107 St Grande Prairie, AB



Northern
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Purpose:

To provide an update on the mountain pine beetle infestation, to find out what the provincial and federal government is doing, and the key role of industry.

DRAFT AGENDA

- 8:30** *Registration and Refreshments*
- 9:00** Greetings and Introductions, NADC staff
- 9:15** Opening Remarks – NADC Chair, Robin Campbell (MLA West Yellowhead)
- 9:30** Government/Industry MPB Panel Update and Discussion
- Mike Maximchuk Forest Health Officer, Sustainable Resource Development, Peace River
 - Ainsworth Representative
 - Canfor Representative
 - Weyerhaeuser Representative
- 10:15** *Coffee Break*
- 10:30** Mill Closures and Their Effect on Communities – Drayton Valley Mayor, Moe Hamdon and CAO, Manny Deol
- 11:00** Forest Industry and the Alberta Government – Dan Wilkinson, Executive Director, Sustainable Resource Development, Edmonton
- 11:30** Forest Products Industry – Parker Hogan, Alberta Forest Products Association Director, Public Affairs, Edmonton
- 12:15** *Complementary Lunch*
- 1:00** To Be Announced
- 1:30** Federal Government and the Forest Products Industry – Member of Parliament, Chris Warkentin
- 2:00** Wrap up – NADC Chair, Robin Campbell (MLA West Yellowhead)
- 2:15** *Adjournment*

Commuter Air Access Network of Alberta Association (CAANA)

**Annual General Meeting
9:00 AM April 10, 2008
Chateau Louis Hotel & Conference Centre
Edmonton, Alberta**

Minutes

1) Call to Order

Chairman Wayne Ayling called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

2) Introductions of Attendees

John Szumlas	Don Peterson
Anna Chandra	Guy Packford
George de Rappard	Bert Thomas
Julian Koziak	Ed Schlemko
Don Grimble	Joyce Schwan
Louis Grimble	Lorne Hickey
Kris Rollheiser	Wayne Ayling
George Schmidt	Ernie Isley
Richard Colvin	Jim Spalding
Judy Diamond	Ed Rondeau
Ralph Henderson	Ken Tratch
Dean Braithwaite	

3) Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Lorne Hickey that the agenda be approved.

Carried

4) Chairman's Opening Remarks

Chairman Ayling reviewed the support for the Open Skies policy received from;
AUMA
AAMD&C
SouthEast Alberta Mayors
Southwest Alberta Mayors
Northern Alberta Mayors (Chairman Stephen Mandel)
Northwestern Alberta Elected Officials.

Chairman Wayne advised that the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce will be presenting a resolution supporting "Open skies" to the Annual General Meeting of the Alberta Chamber of Commerce, May 23, 24, 2008 in Ft. Saskatchewan. He urged all CAANA members to contact their local Chambers to have them support the Lethbridge resolution.

2007 has been a year of change regarding flights and airlines and the Edmonton City Centre Airport. Presently Mikisew, Ft. McMurray/Ft. Chipewan, and Northern Air, Peace River are doing well. Swanberg, Grande Prairie and Nor-Alta, High Level have suspended flights, Swanberg due to lack of pilots and Nor-Alta due to the inability to carry 19 passengers.

Chairman Wayne advised that 2008 is a pivotal year. The City of Edmonton will have a report from their Administration in June regarding the City Centre Airport, its land use, ie its best use as an airport or an alternate. It is believed that there will be a lack of information from the City Administration regarding the ongoing use as an airport.

5) Approve Minutes of 2007 Annual General Meeting

Moved by George de Rappard that the minutes of the 2007 Annual General Meeting be approved.

Carried

6) Financial and Membership Report

Moved by John Szumlas that the Financial and Membership report, as circulated, be approved.

Carried

7) Designation of Voting

The Chairman advised that all members in attendance were eligible to vote.

8) Items of Business

i) Election of Directors

Moved by Gary Friedel, Chairman of the Nominations Committee that the submitted list of members be elected to the Board of Directors of CAANA.

Carried

ii) Election of Executive Committee

Moved by Gary Friedel, Chairman of the Nominations Committee that the following Directors be appointed to the Executive Committee:

- (a) Wayne Ayling, Chairman
- (b) Lorne Hickey, Vice Chair
- (c) Don Good, Vice Chair
- (d) Julian Koziak, Treasurer
- (e) Ralph Henderson, Secretary
- (f) George de Rappard, Executive Director

Carried

9) Appointment of Audit Committee

Moved by John Szumlas that:

Julian Koziak

Don Grimble

Wayne Ayling

Ralph Henderson

be appointed to the Audit Committee.

Carried

10) Membership fees

Moved by George de Rappard that the membership fees for 2008 remain the same as the 2007 schedule of fees.

Carried

11) Date of Next Annual General Meeting

Moved by Don Grimble that the 2009 Annual General Meeting be at the call of the Executive Committee.

Carried

12) Adjourn

Moved by Gary Friedel that the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

Enclosures: List of Board of Directors
Financial and Membership Report

Report of Nomination Chairman, Gary Friedel, Past Chairman
April 10, 2008

Recommendation: That the following list of members be elected to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

Executive Committee

Ayling Wayne	Chairman
Hickey Lorne	Vice Chairman
Good Don	Vice Chairman
Koziak Julian	Treasurer
Henderson Ralph	Secretary
Friedel Gary	Past Chairman
deRappard George	Exec. Director

Board of Directors

Avery Art	
Renee Bernier	Northern Sunrise County
Blake Melissa	Mayor / Municipality of Wood Buffalo
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**The High Level & District Chamber of Commerce Invites You to Our Next Meeting
& * By-Election (* Re-scheduled from Last Week)**

Mackenzie Crossroads Museum & Visitors Centre – Upstairs Meeting Area

Thursday, June 5, 2008 – 7:00 a.m.

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
 - 2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**
 - 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
Motion to Adopt Minutes of May 1, 2008
 - 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**
 - 5. OLD BUSINESS**
 - 5.1 Museum & Tourist Information Centre; Funding Request
 - 5.2 Alberta Chambers AGM Fort Saskatchewan
 - 5.3 Board Orientation with Alberta Chambers of Commerce
 - Policy Development
 - Meeting Schedule (Board Meetings & General Meetings)
 - Refining of the Chamber By-Laws
 - New Membership Application Process
 - Vision Statement; Goals
 - 5.4 Put Us on The Map
 - 5.5 2009 Trade Token
 - 6. FINANCIAL REPORT**
 - 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - 7.1 Membership- Welcome to SLT Rentals, Ideal Bookkeeping, HL Motocross Association
 - 7.2 President's Report – Tania Olson
 - 8. NEW BUSINESS:**
 - 8.1 Fall Schedule for Chamber Meetings
 - 8.2 Strategic Planning Session with Ken Kobly
 - 8.3 Vision 20/20
 - 8.4 60th Parallel Visitor Centre
 - 8.5 Destination Marketing Organization
 - 8.6 Call to Action Alberta Chambers of Commerce
 - 8.7 Canada Day - Tuesday, July 1
 - 8.8 Trade Show – Booth Rental Rate for Non-Profit Groups
Wireless Service for Exhibitors Compliments of Northwestal Cable
 - 8.9 Project Porch Light
 - 8.10 Election of Officers
 - 9. PENDING FUNCTIONS:**
 - 9.1 Spirit of The North Trade Show Friday and Saturday, September 19 & 20
 - 10. CORRESPONDENCE:**
 - 10.1 Political Action Day
 - 10.2 AADAC
 - 10.3 City Centre Airport
 - 11. ADJOURNMENT**

May 5, 2008

Mark your calendars and be sure to attend!

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The International Livestock Congress Beef 2008, Friday July 11, 2008, Calgary

On behalf of the Calgary Stampede, the Canadian Cattlemen's Association and the International Stockmen's Education Foundation, we invite you to attend the 2008 International Livestock Congress – Calgary on Friday July 11, 2008 in the Palomino Room, Roundup Centre, Stampede Park, Calgary, Alberta.

This year we are planning a dynamic program of speakers! The program will start with highlights of the beef industry economy and global trends that affect our industry. We are taking a close look at the issues in beef today – from beef genomics and disease research, international marketing, building a brand and taking a close look at the food we eat today. By the end of the day – we are going to have heard the hot issues in beef and have had a healthy dose of dialogue! If you are in the beef industry, you will want to attend this conference!

We invite you to visit our website at www.ilccalgary.com and register today!

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Due to the tremendous support of industry sponsors, we are able to present conferences like ILC and discuss the issues of our industry. If you would like more information on the sponsorship program, please visit our website or contact the Conference Coordinator.

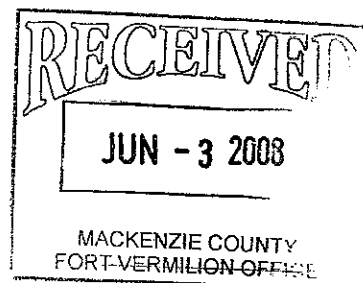
We encourage you to circulate this program to your network to help us build another successful conference!

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See you at the 2008 ILC-Calgary.

Sincerely,

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Good morning,

To celebrate **Alberta Fish & Game Association's 100th Anniversary** the Edmonton Journal and Calgary Herald will be publishing a special feature on Wednesday, July 2, 2008. From 1908 to today the association has been providing education, awareness and advocacy services to Alberta's hunters, anglers and outdoor enthusiast. The section will also be available online at www.edmontonjournal.com for three months after publication date.


The section will be distributed in both the Edmonton Journal and Calgary Herald. As the two most read daily newspapers in Alberta, your advertising support in this feature will be viewed by 533,800 weekday readers. Attached you will find a letter from the President of the Alberta Fish & Game Association, Maurice Nadeau, as well as some additional information with the prices and sizes available.

Booking deadline for this feature is **June 16, 2008**. Space is limited!

Feel free to contact me directly with any questions you may have. Show your support for this great association and all their accomplishments over the last 100 years.

Thank you,
Shelley

Shelley Nuttall
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On Wednesday July 2, 2008, The Alberta Fish and Game Association, in conjunction with the Edmonton Journal and the Calgary Herald will publish an AFGA 100th Anniversary feature. From 1908 through to today the story of the AFGA will be told in these special sections.

This is an exciting time for us. Your participation in this feature, by way of purchased advertising will support this feature and allow us the opportunity to share stories of our accomplishments with the citizens of Alberta.

The Edmonton Journal and the Calgary Herald have a combined readership of over 533,800 Albertans. This is an excellent way for you to spotlight your organization and show support for the AFGA. Your participation will align your organization as a supporter of the many achievements and successful initiatives of the Alberta Fish and Game Association.

A promotional piece is attached for your reference. A representative from the Calgary Herald or Edmonton Journal will contact you shortly. Should you have any questions in the meantime you may contact:

Rhonda Vickers – Edmonton Journal 780-429-5553 rvickers@thejournal.canwest.com

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Best regards,

Maurice Nadeau
President
Alberta Fish & Game
Association

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Format: **Tabloid**
Publishing date: **Wednesday, July 2, 2008**
Booking deadline: **Monday, June 16, 2008**

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Your message will inform readers of your endorsement and commitment to the Alberta Fish and Game Association.

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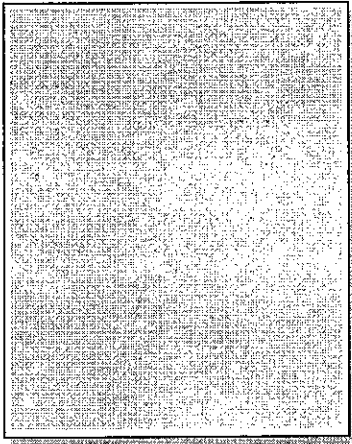
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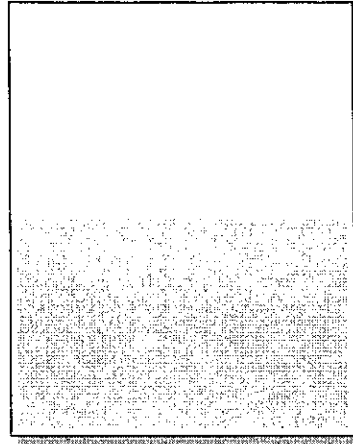
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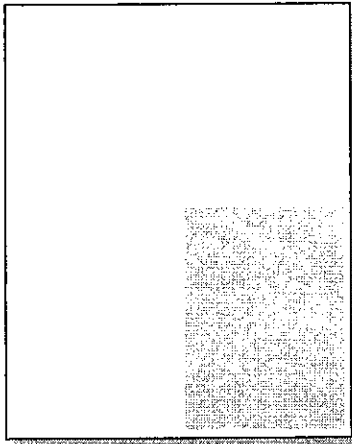
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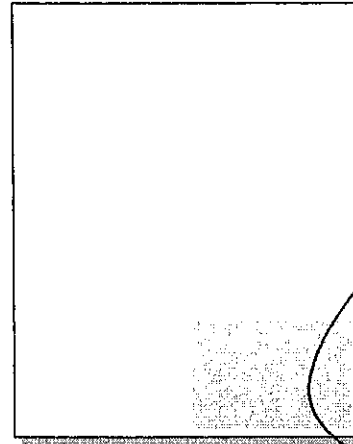
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**Mighty Peace Tourist Association
May report to Council**

Trade Shows

Mothers Day weekend: Yellowknife Trade Show

-Partnered with Peace River Chamber of Commerce to attend this 2 day show. Details to be given at AGM on June 21, 2008.

Marketing

Began advertising on Alberta Outdoorsmen website

-purchased revolving ad which features 3 slides: 1) logo, 2) Ride the North 3) photo Sagitawa look out in fall colours.

- Tapawingo lodge also purchased revolving ad - they have had excellent results with Alberta Outdoorsmen.

MPTA will closely monitor links from Outdoorsmen website

FAM tour with writer from Edmonton Journal

-only had one day with the writer so we packed in: an extensive tour of Fort Dunvegan, a ride on the Ferry and tour of Tangent Park, short tour of Peace Valley Guest Ranch, tour of Peace River Museum, rested at Sagitawa Look out. Mr. Tougas stayed at Wild Rose Guest Ranch.

Five "advertorial" were submitted to www.beltdrivebetty.com to be inserted in the Alberta North section of her Great Canadian Day Rides section. These advertorials are also being featured in her weekly newspaper, "The Busted Knuckle Chronicle".

Nicole has received training on how to upload information onto the Great Canadian Day Rides site. We will begin this process in July and feature every possible day trip through the Peace Country.

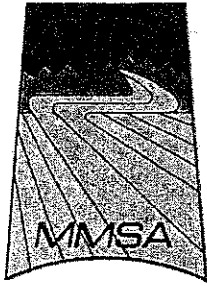
Destination Marketing Fund

Nicole will begin working on a marketing plan for participating hotels with DMF president Andy Ducette (of Pomeroy Grimshaw and Garden Court Manning). Marketing plan, governance document and contracts to be completed and distributed by end of July.

Please RSVP for your council ASAP regarding our AGM.

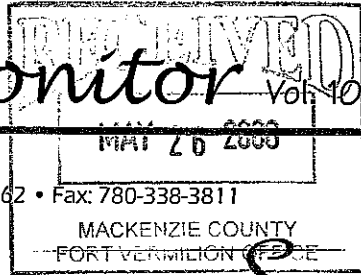
We would love to see all of you there, but must give caterer our numbers by June 16.

Please direct any questions concerning this report to Nicole; 338-2364.



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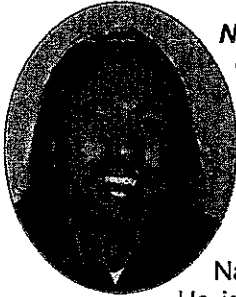
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New Staff Join the MMSA Team

Two new staff members joined the MMSA team on May 5.



Naren Garg came on board as our third Municipal Planner. He will be taking on the planning for the M. D. of Peace, Northern Sunrise County, McLennan, Falher and Donnelly.

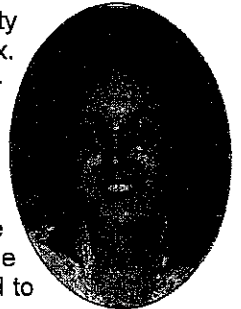
Naren is originally from India. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois, with a Bachelor Degree in Art History and a Masters in Urban Planning. Naren gained experience working for the City of Helena, Montana on long range and neighbourhood planning. He was also involved in the "Wildland Urban Interface" project. Naren looks forward to expanding his planning experience working with small communities.

Naren enjoys hiking, biking, canoeing and snowboarding and is looking forward to experiencing the long hours of sunlight that our summers provide.

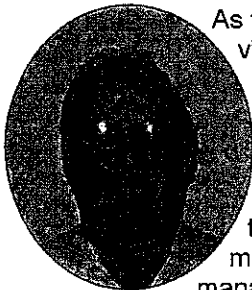
Megan Carroll is here for the summer as Planning Assistant. She will be working with the planners, assisting with various projects until the end of August. Megan is looking forward to working on planning and community design projects.

Megan has been studying Community Design at Dalhousie University in Halifax. When she returns in the fall she will begin the Architecture program.

Megan grew up in St. Albert. Her parents moved to Grimshaw this past winter. This is her first time living in the Peace Region. She has family in the Fairview area that she is looking forward to reconnecting with.



A Message From The Chair



As the recently elected Chair of the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency and on behalf of all our Municipal Members, I would like to welcome Naren Garg and Megan Carroll to our staff. With the addition of Naren to our planning department, we are once again at our full compliment and proceeding full speed ahead in terms of providing services to our members. I would also like to take this opportunity to commend our GIS Technical staff on the advances made with regards to our GIS mapping and data inventory management system.

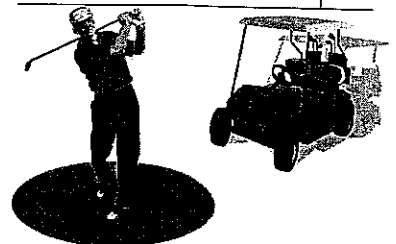
With summer fast advancing, everyone is gearing up for another busy development season. It seems that when activity picks up, so do development and land use issues, so please do not hesitate to call on the Agency staff for any assistance you may require in this regard.

In closing, I wish you all a great summer season and hope that you are able to take advantage of some of the wonderful experiences that our region has to offer.

SEE YA ON THE LINKS!!!

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Affordable Housing Needs Assessment for Grimshaw & Fairview

In May 2008, the towns of Grimshaw and Fairview initiated a needs assessment study that would support affordable housing initiatives within their respective municipalities. The purpose of this study is to conduct an affordable housing needs assessment identifying current capacities and levels of services provided and the future demand that will be anticipated within the two municipalities in the next 10-15 years.

In addition to identifying the housing needs of these two communities, the study shall supplement the Request For Proposal (RFP) process for housing grant applications prepared by municipalities to take advantage of the various programs and funding made available by Alberta Housing and Urban Affairs; and any other grants made available by the Province. The study will also highlight the various forms of affordable housing that

development;

- (Subsidized) Affordable Housing for Low and Moderate Income Households;
- Affordable Housing initiatives for Seniors;
- Special Care Housing for Individuals with Disabilities;
- Homeless Shelters.

are eligible for housing grants. Some of the notable and applicable affordable housing initiatives for the Peace region that can benefit from the provincial grants are:

- Affordable Secondary Suite

The study will underline the gaps between the demand for affordable housing and the current efforts to facilitate affordable housing within the region. The study shall also be useful for the regional housing organizations such as the North Peace Housing Foundation and Accredited Supportive Living Services (ASLS), who have contributed tremendously to provide housing and assisted living services to seniors and other individuals as well as households in need of such services.

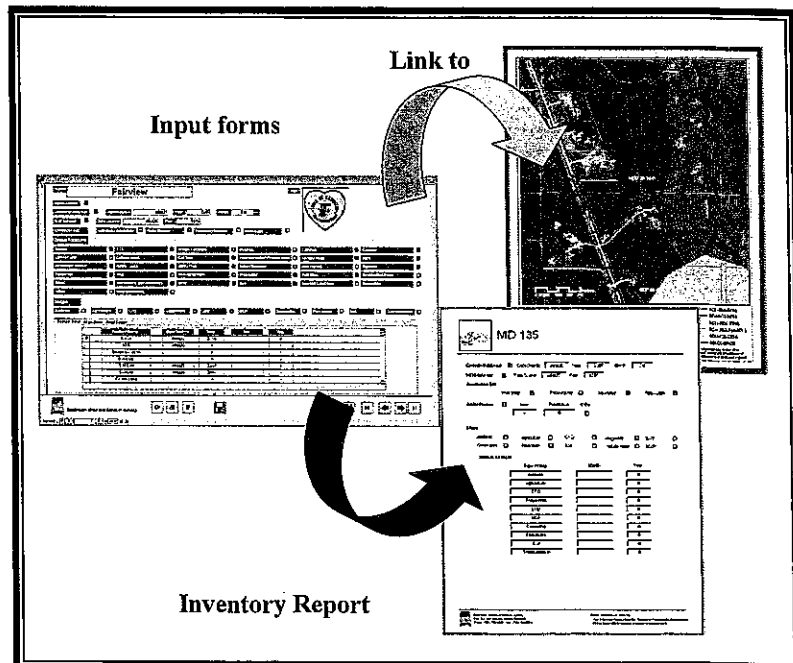


Data Inventory Management System (DIMS)

The Data Inventory Management System (DIMS) organizes the updating and referencing of GIS data for the MMSA planners and each member municipality. This system is the base support for future GIS at MMSA.

The main objective of this system is to control the quality and accuracy of mapping produced by MMSA, and provides data resource information to the municipalities. This system also links directly to historic project mapping for convenient reference or reproduction.

The DIMS has compiled data input forms which allows MMSA to produce the most up-to-date inventory of data on each municipality. These reports will be made available on the MMSA website for our member's information in the near future.



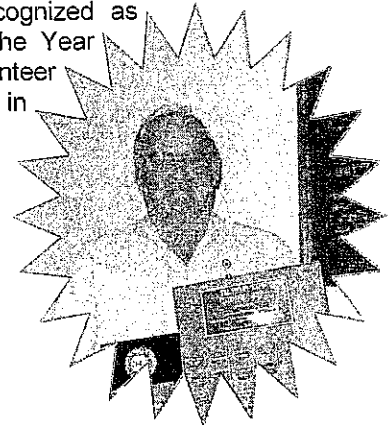
Around the Region



☺ Our planner Dolu married Heath Weiss on March 22. Dolu's father made the trip from Columbia to join in the festivities. Sunni Walker performed the ceremony. **Congratulations to the Newlyweds!!!**

☺ Dale Harrison leaves Nampa and moves over to replace Lloyd as CAO in Fairview.

☺ Ron Longtin was recognized as Berwyn's Citizen of the Year for 2007 at the Volunteer Recognition lunch in Berwyn on May 2.



☺ Lloyd Johnston retired on April 30 from the Town of Fairview after 9 years as CAO. He plans to pursue golfing and fishing full time this summer.



Check Out Our Website - www.mmsa.ca

Subdivision application packages are available on the Subdivision Processing page and also at http://www.mmsa.ca/services/documents/Subdivision_Application_Package.pdf

MUNICIPALITY	REPRESENTATIVE	MUNICIPALITY	REPRESENTATIVE
Village of Berwyn	Ron Longtin	Town of Manning	Sunni Walker
Clear Hills County	Bonnie Bigam	Town of McLennan	Catherine Dunne
Village of Donnelly	Myrna Lanctot	M. D. of Fairview #136	Wayne Frank
Town of Fairview	Rick Nicholson	M. D. of Peace #135	Veronica Bliska
Town of Falher	Stephen Carter	Village of Nampa	Bill Lister
Town of Grimshaw	Bob Regal	Northern Sunrise County	Evens Lavoie
Village of Hines Creek	Ashley Zavisha	Town of Rainbow Lake	Boyd Langford

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Alliance Assessment Consultants
Presentation to Council
Mackenzie County

- Topics:
- 1) Assessments/Market Value
 - 2) Inspections
 - 3) Growth vs. Inflation
 - 4) 2007 Exemption Changes
 - 5) 2007 Industrial Building Changes
 - 6) Rural Exemption Policy (RAP)
 - 7) Linear Assessment Appeals

June 10, 2008

Presented and Prepared By: Randy Affolder A.M.A.A.

Assessments

There are basically 6 different types of assessment in the Province of Alberta:

- 1) Residential
- 2) Commercial
- 3) Farmland
- 4) Linear
- 5) Railway
- 6) Machinery and Equipment

Residential and commercial assessments are based on "market value".

Farmland assessments are based on productivity

Linear and Railway are based on legislated manual rates across the province.

Machinery and Equipment are based on either actual costs of construction and/or legislated manual rates.

With farmland assessments being value based on productivity Mackenzie County offers a very unique and difficult region to establish market value.

Alliance Assessment was contracted by the County to be its appointed assessor starting for the 2005 general reassessment is under contract for four years concluding with the 2008 assessment year.

Since taking over the assessment duties for the County Alliance has reviewed and verified sales going back to 2002. The difficult part is a large majority of the sales in the County are farm sales and new subdivision plans that we can't use in our analysis. The 2007 assessment that was handed over to the County by the Legislated deadline of Feb 28, 2008 is based on values as of July 1, 2007 so therefore we are almost a year behind by way of valuation dated when the County mails out the notices.

Here are all of the County sales for the past two years that Alliance has analyzed to establish market values:

	Total Sales	Total Vacant	Used	Total Improved	Used	Total Used Sales
July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006	948	648	129	300	151	280
July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007	848	549	106	299	67	173
2-Years	1796	1197	235	599	218	453

So of the 1796 sales over the past 2 years only 453 or less than 30% we were able to use.

The sales that were not used in our analysis were thrown out for the following reasons:

- 1) Farm sale
- 2) Subdivision or Descriptive Plan
- 3) Surviving Joint Tenant
- 4) Family Transaction
- 5) Bankrupts or Foreclosure

In addition to verifying and analyzing sales, we must set out market locations i.e.: property closer to High Level and Lacrete will sell higher than remote areas throughout the County.

Please refer to Map

I mentioned before that farmland is based on productivity and not market value, the exception is when you have a residence on a farm quarter again by way of legislation 3 acres of the ¼ (or smaller) is to be assessed at market value.

Summary of 3-acre site values from highest location to lowest:

Loc. Code	3-Acre MV
	\$ 39,500
2005	\$ 35,960
2050	\$ 35,940
2015	\$ 33,320
	\$ 33,050
	\$ 31,010

	\$ 30,770
	\$ 27,720
2035	\$ 25,290
	\$ 22,950
2065	\$ 22,060
	\$ 21,850
2045	\$ 20,050
	\$ 18,330
2080	\$ 11,540
2095	\$ 7,780

Inspections/Cycle

Alliance is under contract to Mackenzie County and under the contract we must perform inspection cycles being 30% per year as well as all inspecting all development permits. So since 2005 to 2007 (3-years) Alliance has inspected and took digital picture of all the properties in the County. In 2008 alliance will finish the inspections of all properties in Lacrete and start the rotation again starting in range ten and working our way across the County.

These inspections are conducted as follows:

- 1) Outside inspection (No one home) appears no change
- 2) Outside inspection (No one home) question/appears change leave CBC (call back card)
- 3) Inside Complete Rate payer home and has concerns of value/depreciation
- 4) For development permits (no one home) measure outside and leave CBC
- 5) For development permits rate payer home gets specs from him/her or measure

Any inspection conducted by Alliance is documented into our system for future reference.

Growth vs. Inflation

Mackenzie County has again this year experienced substantial growth/inflation for your 2007 assessment base.

Please refer to Blue Tab

The inflation shows \$73,813,760 and Growth a -\$48,154,240 which is not an accurate indication because of the closure of Footner and change in assessment:

Footner Assessment			
	B&S	M&E	Total
2006	\$ 27,244,950	\$ 142,124,770	\$ 169,369,720
2007	\$ 17,639,810	\$ 67,123,590	\$ 84,763,400
Difference	\$ 9,605,140	\$ 75,001,180	\$ 84,606,320

So we lost \$9,605,140 in B&S assessment (code 401) and \$75,001,180 of M&E assessment (code 402)

So if we hadn't lost this assessment our growth would be \$75,001,180 less \$48,154,240 which equals \$26,846,940.

2007 Exemption Changes

Ron Bennet (Municipal Affairs Assessment Auditor) brought to my attention last year that asset would require assessors across the Province to expand the exemption listed in the MGA into the 29 categories outlined in the MGA, in working with Dianne we needed to add codes to adapt to this new standard.

Please refer to Yellow Tab

The 29 classes of exemption match the Sections in the Municipal Government Act; these are the new codes that we created.

804	Religion
806	Cemetery
808	School
811	Rec/Halls/Non-Profit
812	Nursing Homes
813	Legions
814	Airports
815	Library
816	Hospitals
817	Health Regions
819	College/Universities

This may look easy but it was allot of work as it required looking up over a thousand titles to determine proper allocation, special thanks to Dianne to working many hours with Alliance to perform these changes.

2007 Industrial Building Changes

The department of Municipal Affairs initiated new industrial building rates (code 401) to be put into affect before next years assessment. After running some tests the increase showed up to 25% per building with an estimated increase of around 12% overall for the County. These rates were therefore introduced for your current 2007 assessment.

The building manual is now based on 2001 steel costs whereas the old manual was 1983 cost based.

RAP

Verbal explanation maximum RAP allowed is \$61,540

Linear Assessment Appeals

Verbal explanation



Assessment Growth

Assessment	Tax Status			Grand Totals		
		Previous	New Prev.Rates	New	Growth	Inflation
101	T	92,747,400	92,059,660	98,520,990	-687,740	6,461,330
102	T	202,790,300	223,123,380	234,429,140	20,333,080	11,305,760
103	T	3,893,050	3,933,950	4,339,570	40,900	405,620
104	T	486,670	707,510	739,360	220,840	31,850
105	T	7,874,620	7,351,900	7,442,610	-522,720	90,710
141	T	626,330	617,210	617,210	-9,120	0
151	T	35,687,010	35,648,600	35,648,770	-38,410	170
152	T	100	0	0	-100	0
200	T	2,670,450	2,670,450	2,440,250	0	-230,200
202	T	47,034,430	49,931,990	52,842,100	2,897,560	2,910,110
203	T	4,577,760	4,599,580	4,763,790	21,820	164,210
252	T	269,520	760,130	764,090	490,610	3,960
253	T	836,710	1,174,740	1,179,110	338,030	4,370
255	T	1,605,680	1,645,770	2,154,240	40,090	508,470
256	T	727,320	919,750	941,740	192,430	21,990
401	T	100,561,920	95,483,030	101,411,310	-5,078,890	5,928,280
402	T	513,940,570	457,000,800	496,825,290	-56,939,770	39,824,490
601	G	756,510	860,790	901,580	104,280	40,790
603	G	190,440	886,620	926,270	696,180	39,650
605	G	4,480,610	3,905,980	4,109,410	-574,630	203,430
609	X	1,993,180	4,876,260	4,974,000	2,883,080	97,740
641	G	523,810	523,810	523,810	0	0
651	G	46,540	46,540	46,540	0	0
701	G	2,781,790	2,357,830	2,375,830	-423,960	18,000
703	G	1,882,210	1,953,360	2,052,120	71,150	98,760
705	G	8,410	8,410	8,410	0	0
707	G	15,580	15,580	16,010	0	430
801	E	25,030	0	0	-25,030	0
802	E	22,640	22,550	25,570	-90	3,020
803	E	24,698,230	13,863,830	13,966,030	-10,834,400	102,200
804	E	0	3,840,200	4,267,300	3,840,200	427,100
806	E	0	147,200	169,300	147,200	22,100
808	E	0	38,028,740	39,788,670	38,028,740	1,759,930
809	E	76,894,120	3,350,430	3,513,810	-73,543,690	163,380
810	E	427,540	427,540	437,310	0	9,770
811	E	0	8,061,030	8,411,660	8,061,030	350,630
812	E	0	1,434,140	1,468,870	1,434,140	34,730
813	E	0	52,930	55,010	52,930	2,080
814	E	0	1,772,680	1,865,520	1,772,680	92,840
815	E	0	169,580	177,460	169,580	7,880
816	E	0	10,084,880	10,603,810	10,084,880	518,930
817	E	0	10,705,760	11,164,880	10,705,760	459,120
819	E	0	224,330	1,443,200	224,330	1,218,870
820	E	10,889,770	6,408,550	6,759,450	-4,481,220	350,900
821	T	0	436,350	459,010	436,350	22,660
841	E	89,620	81,300	81,300	-8,320	0
851	E	1,970	0	0	-1,970	0
853	E	7,310	0	0	-7,310	0
859	E	2,610	0	0	-2,610	0
901	E	23,501,790	24,000,730	24,080,730	498,940	80,000
903	E	3,612,190	4,851,120	5,108,820	1,238,930	257,700



Assessment Growth

Assessment	Tax Status	-----		Grand Totals -----		
		Previous	New Prev.Rates	New	Growth	Inflation
Total:		1,169,181,740	1,121,027,500	1,194,841,260	-48,154,240	73,813,760



Assessment Growth

Property Description	Grand Totals				
	Previous	New Prev.Rates	New	Growth	Inflation
Taxable					
F Farmland	36,313,440	36,265,810	36,265,810	-47,630	0
ME Machinery & Equipment	513,940,570	457,000,800	496,825,290	-56,939,770	39,824,490
NR Non Residential	155,613,340	155,674,010	165,356,610	60,670	9,682,600
NRR Non Residential - Railway	2,670,450	2,670,450	2,440,250	0	-230,200
R Residential	307,792,040	327,612,750	345,940,440	19,820,710	18,327,690
Taxable total:	1,016,329,840	979,223,820	1,046,828,400	-37,106,020	67,604,580
Grant-In-Lieu					
F Farmland	570,350	570,350	570,350	0	0
NR Non Residential	4,687,990	4,335,180	4,452,370	-352,810	117,190
R Residential	5,427,560	5,921,160	6,222,320	493,600	301,160
Grant-In-Lieu total:	10,685,900	10,826,690	11,245,040	140,790	418,350
Mun. Only					
R Residential	1,993,180	4,876,260	4,974,000	2,883,080	97,740
Mun. Only total:	1,993,180	4,876,260	4,974,000	2,883,080	97,740
Exempt					
F Farmland	101,510	81,300	81,300	-20,210	0
ME Machinery & Equipment	22,640	22,550	25,570	-90	3,020
NR Non Residential	105,657,110	96,956,570	100,925,370	-8,700,540	3,968,800
R Residential	34,391,560	30,409,280	30,840,180	-3,982,280	430,900
Exempt total:	140,172,820	127,469,700	131,872,420	-12,703,120	4,402,720
Total:	1,169,181,740	1,122,396,470	1,194,919,860	-46,785,270	72,523,390



Assessment Summary

(Assessment Year - 2007)

Assessment For Entire Municipality:

Code	Description	Alt.Code	Records	Status	Land	Impr.	Other	Total
101	Farm Res/Site		1017	T	20,253,080	78,267,910	0	98,520,990
102	Residential Imp/Site		1864	T	46,900,100	187,529,040	0	234,429,140
103	Vacant Residential		231	T	4,339,570	0	0	4,339,570
104	Res Imp/Site Nil RAP		11	T	68,060	671,300	0	739,360
105	Vacant Residential Hamlet		306	T	7,442,610	0	0	7,442,610
141	Grazing Lease Detail		304	T	617,210	0	0	617,210
151	Farmland		4162	T	35,648,770	0	0	35,648,770
200	* Railway R of W		9	T	0	2,440,250	0	2,440,250
202	* Comm'l Imp/Site		285	T	7,611,910	45,230,190	0	52,842,100
203	* Industr'l Imp/Site		44	T	1,234,600	3,529,190	0	4,763,790
252	* Commercial Vacant		51	T	764,090	0	0	764,090
253	* Industrial Vacant		326	T	1,179,110	0	0	1,179,110
255	Commercial Vacant Hamlet		66	T	2,154,240	0	0	2,154,240
256	Industrial Vacant Hamlet		33	T	941,740	0	0	941,740
401	* Proc Man'fac Bldg		777	T	99,620	101,311,690	0	101,411,310
402	* Machinery/Equip.		649	T	0	496,825,290	0	496,825,290
821	Mackenzie Housing Corp.	R Impr	6	T	46,870	412,140	0	459,010
Taxable Total:			10,141		129,301,580	916,217,000	0	1,045,518,580

Code	Description	Alt.Code	Records	Status	Land	Impr.	Other	Total
601	Federal MV GIL		11	G	95,520	806,060	0	901,580
603	Provincial MV GIL		13	G	101,480	824,790	0	926,270
605	AMHC MV GIL		53	G	417,910	3,691,500	0	4,109,410
641	Prov Graz Reserv AUV		77	G	523,810	0	0	523,810
651	Federal AUV GIL		5	G	46,540	0	0	46,540
701	* Federal Commercial MV GIL		10	G	177,250	2,198,580	0	2,375,830
703	* Provincial Commercial MV GIL		17	G	188,050	1,864,070	0	2,052,120
705	* AMHC MV GIL		1	G	8,410	0	0	8,410
707	* CBC MV GIL		2	G	6,380	9,630	0	16,010
Grant-In-Lieu Total:			189		1,565,350	9,394,630	0	10,959,980

Sub Total: 10,330 130,866,930 925,611,630 0 1,056,478,560

Code	Description	Alt.Code	Records	Status	Land	Impr.	Other	Total
609	Seniors Self Contain		8	X	308,920	4,665,080	0	4,974,000
Mun. Only Total:			8		308,920	4,665,080	0	4,974,000

Code	Description	Alt.Code	Records	Status	Land	Impr.	Other	Total
802	Seed Cleaning M&E Exempt		1	E	0	25,570	0	25,570
803	Provincial Exempt		798	E	12,581,610	1,384,420	0	13,966,030
804	Religion		24	E	605,930	3,661,370	0	4,267,300
806	Cemetery		15	E	169,300	0	0	169,300
808	School		24	E	579,640	39,209,030	0	39,788,670
809	Misc.Exempt MV		13	E	137,640	3,376,170	0	3,513,810
810	Seed Cleaning B&S Exempt		1	E	0	437,310	0	437,310
811	Recreation/Com. Halls/Non-Profit Ag Societies		28	E	637,290	7,774,370	0	8,411,660
812	Nursing Home		4	E	93,320	1,375,550	0	1,468,870
813	Legions		2	E	34,320	20,690	0	55,010
814	Airport		10	E	163,500	1,702,020	0	1,865,520
815	Library		1	E	20,320	157,140	0	177,460
816	Hospital		1	E	12,380	10,591,430	0	10,603,810
817	Health Regions		3	E	195,780	10,969,100	0	11,164,880



Assessment Summary

(Assessment Year - 2007)

Assessment For Entire Municipality:

Code	Description	Alt.Code	Records	Status	Land	Impr.	Other	Total
819	College/University		2	E	37,820	1,405,380	0	1,443,200
820	M.D. #23 Ow ned		195	E	3,148,970	3,610,480	0	6,759,450
841	Prov Graz Reserv AUV		43	E	81,300	0	0	81,300
901	Rural Res. Exemption		1137	E	0	24,080,730	0	24,080,730
903	Farm Bldg (Exempt)		112	E	0	5,108,820	0	5,108,820
Exempt Total:			2,414		18,499,120	114,889,580	0	133,388,700
Totals:			12,752		149,674,970	1,045,166,290	0	1,194,841,260

#	NAA	Description	Futher Description	Current Code	Comment
0	NAA				
1	317 (d)	Excludes, from the equalized assessment, property made taxable under section 383(1)(d)	Council makes exempt by bylaw	N/A	
	351 (1)(b)	(b) any property or business in respect of which an exemption from assessment or taxation or both, was granted before January 1, 1995 (i) by private act (ii) by an order of the lieutenant Governor in council based on an order of the Local Authorities Board	Granted Exempt prior to 1995	?	
	361 (b)	(b) residences and farm buildings to the extent prescribed in the regulations	Farm Buildings	903	
4	361 (c)	(c) environmental reserves, municipal reserves, school reserves, municipal and school reserves and other underdeveloped property reserved for public utilities	Reserves for Public Utilities	N/A	
5	362 (1)(a)	(a) any interest held by the Crown in right of Alberta or Canada in property	Federal & Provincial Exempt Prov. Grazing Reserves	801 & 803	We Don't need Code 801 anymore
6	362 (1)(b)	(b) property held by a municipality, except the following: (i) property from which the municipality earns a revenue and which is not operated as a public benefit (ii) property that is operated as a public benefit but has annual revenue that exceeds the annual operating costs (iii) an electric power system (iv) a telecommunications systems (v) a natural gas or propane system located in a hamlet, village, summer village, town or city or in a school district that is authorized under the School Act to impose taxes and has a population in excess of 500 people	Municipality Owned	820	
7	361 (1)(c)	(c) property, other than a student dormitory, used on connection with school purposes and held by (i) the board of trustees of a school district, school division or regional division (i.1) the Regional authority for a Francophone Education Region established under the School Act, (i.2) the operator of a charter school established under the School Act, or (ii) the operator of a private school registered under the School Act	Schools	New: 808	
8	362 (1)(d)	(d) property, other than a student dormitory, used in connection with educational purposes and held by the following: (i) the board of governors of (A) a university under the Universities Act (B) a technical institute under the Technical Institutes Act (C) a public college under the Colleges Act (ii) the governing body of an educational institute affiliated with a university under the Universities Act (iii) a students' union or a graduate students' association of a university under the Universities Act (iv) a students' association of a technical institute under the Technical Institutes Act or a public college under the Colleges Act (v) The Governors of the Banff Centre for continuing Education	University, College	N/A	
9	362 (1)(e)	(e) property, other than a student dormitory, used in connection with hospital purposes and held by a hospital board that receives financial assistance from the Crown	Hospital	New: 816	
10	362 (1)(f)	(f) property held by the regional services commission	Reional Services Commission	?	
11	362 (1)(g.1)	(g.1) property used in connection with the health region purposes and held by a health region under the Regional Health Authorities Act that receives financial assistance from the Crown under any Act	Regional Health Purposes	New: 817	
12	362 (1)(h)	(h) property used in connection with nursing home purposes and held by a nursing home administered under the Nursing Home Act	Nursing Home Purposes	New: 812	
13	362 (1)(i)	(i) property used in connection with library purposes and held by a library board established under the Libraries Act	Library	New: Library	
14	362 (1)(k)	(k) property held by a religious body and used chiefly for divine service, public worship or religious education and any parcel of land that is held by the religious body and used only as a parking area in connection with those purposes	Churches/Bible Camps	New: 804	
15	362 (1)(l)	(l) property consisting of the following: (i) a parcel of land, to a maximum of 10 hectares, that is used as a cemetery as defined in the Cemeteries Act (ii) any additional land that has been conveyed by the owner of the cemetery to individuals to be used as burial sites (iii) any improvement on land described in subclause (i) or (ii) that is used for burial purposes	Cemeteries	New: 806	
16	362 (1)(m)	(m) property held by (i) a foundation consisted under the Senior Citizens Housing Act, RSA 1980 cS-13, before July 1, 1995, or (ii) a management body established under the Alberta Housing Act, and used to provide senior citizens with lodge accomadation as defined in the Alberta Housing Act	Senior Citizens	809?	
17	362 (1)(n)	(n) property that is (i) owned by a municipality and held by a non-profit organization in an official capacity on behalf of the municipality (ii) held by a non-profit organization and used solely for community games, sports, athletics or recreation for the benefit of the general public, (iii) used for a charitable or benevolent purpose, that is for the benefit of the general public, and owned by (A) the Crown in right of Alberta or Canada, a municipality or any other body that is exempt from taxation under this division and held by a non-profit organization (B) by a non-profit organization (iv) held by a non-profit organization and is used to provide senior citizens with lodge accomadation as defined in the Alberta Housing Act, or (v) held by and used in connection with a society as defined in the Agricultural Societies Act or with a community association as defined in the regulations	Municipality Owned non-profit: Agricultural Societies, Community Halls	New: 811	
18	362 (1)(o)	(o) Property (i) owned by a municipality and used solely for the operation of an airport by the municipality, or (ii) held under a lease, license or permit from a municipality and used solely for the operation of an airport by the lease, licensee or permittee	Airport	New: 814	
19	362 (1)(p)	(p) a municipal seed cleaning plant constructed under an agreement authorized by section 7 of the Agricultural Service Board Act, to the extent of 2/3 of the assessment prepared under Part 9 for the plant, but not including the land attributable to the plant	Municipal Seed Cleaning Plant	802	
20	363 (1)(a)	(a) property held by and used in connection with Ducks Unlimited (Canada) under a lease, license or permit from the Crown in right of Alberta or Canada	Duck Unlimited	?	
21	363 (1)(b)	(i) the Canadian Hostelling Association-Northern Alberta District (ii) the Southern Alberta Hostelling Association (iii) Hotelling International Canada and Northern Alberta (iv) Hotelling International Canada and Southern Albert, unless the property is operated for profit or gain	Hostels	?	
	63 (1)(c)	(c) property held by and used in connection with a branch or local unit of the Royal Canadian Legion, the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada or other organization of former members of any allied forces	Royal Canadian Legions	New: 813	
23	364 (1)	(1) A council may by bylaw exempt from taxation under this division property held by a non-profit organization	Council by bylaw for non-profit organizations	?	
24	364 (1.1)	(1.1) A council may by bylaw exempt from taxation under this division machinery and equipment used for manufacturing and processing	Council by bylaw for M&E	?	
25	365 (2)	(2) Despite subsection (1), property listed in section 362(1)(n) in respect of which a licence that is specified in the regulations has been issued is exempt from taxation under this Division	Council by bylaw for non-profit organizations by License	?	
26	368 (4)(a)	(4) When a designated manufactured home is moved out of a municipality, (a) it becomes exempt from taxation by that municipality when it is moved	MH Moved out of Municipality	N/A	
27	MO-H 016/96	Removes the amount of taxable assessment for self-contained senior citizen housing accomadation from the equalized assessment	Self-Contained Seniors Equalized	N/A	



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Towns fear losing hospitals Nursing expert praises health minister's proposal

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When Sherry Coffey wants to see her family doctor on short notice, she often ends up waiting in the emergency room of Athabasca Healthcare Centre.

Without that hospital, she's not sure how much tougher health-care access will become.

Health Minister Ron Liepert's speculation that some small-town hospitals could be converted to walk-in clinics or seniors care centres comes on the heels of audits that question the efficiency of the Athabasca facility, and several others in northern Alberta.

Residents are worried about the health-care effects and community fallout from losing a hospital.

"That's not a good plan," said Coffey, who moved to Athabasca three years ago with her husband and son, now 20 months old.

But even Coffey recognizes the limited care provided by the hospital. When pregnant with her son, she was sent to Edmonton to give birth because, at 35 years old, she was considered an "older mother," a situation common for women in Athabasca, she said.

Losing the hospital would be blow, she added.

"It's one of the heartbeats of the community," agreed Athabasca Mayor Colleen Powell. "It makes us a service centre and without that hospital we'll have significant problems."

Powell had received several calls from concerned residents Saturday in response to reports of the audit's findings. Some callers told her, "You can't let this happen," the mayor said.

Athabasca needs an increase in services, said Powell, who added a nursing shortage has contributed to low occupancy at the Healthcare Centre. Closing the hospital would send the wrong signal to businessés and people seeking to relocate there, said Powell.

But closing or converting some rural hospitals has the support of University of Alberta nursing professor Donna Wilson.

She said that, on a conservative estimate, inefficiencies produced by the high number of rural hospitals accounts for 10 per cent of the health-care budget.

"Having some of these small rural hospitals can make you think that health care is accessible, but it really isn't," said Wilson.

A number of rural hospitals have more staff than patients on any given day and low occupancy can become a health risk, she said.

"When there's so few people coming through the door having heart attacks, so few people coming in with gall bladder attacks, you get very rusty," she said of nurses and physicians. "There has to be a certain amount of volume of patients to remain skilled and knowledgeable and to keep current with all the new treatments."

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It's why the most expensive and specialized health-care services are centralized in major cities, said Wilson.

Athabasca has a "substantial volume" of patients waiting for beds in nursing homes, according to the audit.

Converting such facilities into nursing homes wouldn't be far-fetched, said Wilson. "That's what they already are."

Athabasca also has 70-per-cent occupancy in staffed acute beds, a low figure according to Wilson, who said it should be well over 85 per cent.

Many patients, like Coffey, are already travelling out of rural communities for the care they need because rural hospitals aren't equipped to deal with them, said Wilson.

Converting those hospitals to walk-in clinics would allow doctors and nurses to remain in communities, while cutting the costs associated with night shifts and, in the end, providing the same diagnostic and simple surgeries currently performed at the hospitals.

"Ninety per cent of all surgery and diagnostic are done on a out-patient basis," said Wilson.

Fort Vermillion's aging St. Theresa Hospital was also identified by the audits, which suggest the hospital could benefit from realigning its services to the nearby High Level hospital.

Joy Friesen, vice-chair of the Fort Vermillion community Health Council, agreed with the report's recommendation to implement what she says is a much-needed formal patient triage at St. Theresa.

But she said that those living in areas like Bluehills, Le Crate and other areas south and east of Peace River "would be really put out" if they had to travel to High Level instead.

"If you're driving in the winter you can cross the ice bridge, but in the summer you can wait sometimes half a day to get on the ferry," she said.

St. Theresa is an older hospital and many people can't imagine going anywhere else, she added.

Waite Sarapuk, a member of Mackenzie County's municipal government, said it's also the central hospital for several Aboriginal reserves in the area. He estimated that from Tallicree First Nation Reserve to the High Level hospital would be a 130-kilometre drive. It would be about 140 kilometres from the John D-Or Prairie reserve, he said.

Long commutes to hospitals were concerns for both Coffey and Powell. But while Wilson agreed that losing a hospital can be "scary" for a community, there is a "golden two hours" within which a person needs to get to help in an emergency.

"If you're having a stroke and get to a hospital within the first two hours, you won't have a stroke," she said. "They can prevent it."

But closing down hospitals would cause some communities to lose a stable employer, she said, and mean lost jobs and even an exodus of families.

Liepert's musings come less than a month after he dissolved all nine regional health authorities into one, a move that several ousted board members said would eliminate dozens of passionate defenders of rural health care.

As that reform came, Premier Ed Stelmach suggested a lifeline for small-town hospitals: restructuring some of them as specialty centres in surgery or diagnosis.

"We know where we're going to do major cardiac surgery, here in Edmonton, of course," he said in mid-May. "We're not going to duplicate that. But there are other surgeries that could be performed in many other hospitals."

The following day, he went further: "We've got a lot of roofs out there, but let's use them as economically, but also efficiently, as we can."

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