

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 25, 2023
10:00 a.m.**

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

PRESENT:	Josh Knelsen	Reeve
	Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
	Jacquie Bateman	Councillor
	Peter F. Braun	Councillor
	Cameron Cardinal	Councillor
	Darrell Derksen	Councillor
	David Driedger	Councillor
	Garrell Smith	Councillor (left the meeting at 12:47 p.m. and rejoined the meeting at 1:35 p.m.)
	Lisa Wardley	Councillor (virtual left the meeting at 2:49 p.m.)
REGRETS:	Ernest Peters	Councillor
ADMINISTRATION:	Byron Peters	Interim Chief Administrative Officer/ Director of Projects & Infrastructure
	Don Roberts	Director of Community Services (virtual)
	Caitlin Smith	Director of Planning & Agriculture
	Louise Flooren	Manager of Legislative & Support Services/ Recording Secretary
	Landon Driedger	Agricultural Fieldman
ALSO PRESENT:	Carson Flett	Royal Visit Support Letter
	Scott Seward	Alberta Conservation Association (virtual)
	Chris Briggs	Alberta Environment and Parks (virtual)
	Terry Krahn	Community Member – Fish Pond (virtual)
	Ed Martens	Community Member – Fish Pond

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting for Mackenzie County held on April 25, 2023 in the Council Chambers at the Fort Vermilion County Office.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Knelsen called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

AGENDA:

2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION COW 23-04-54

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the agenda be approved with the following additions:

- 5. g) High Level Agricultural Society's Grant Application
- 5. h) Rezoning Concerns
- 5. i) Fort Vermilion Library Board

CARRIED

**MINUTES FROM
PREVIOUS MEETING:**

3. a) Minutes of the March 28, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting

MOTION COW 23-04-55

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the minutes of the March 28, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

4. a) Carson Flett – Royal Visit Letter of Support

MOTION COW 23-04-56

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That a recommendation be made to Council that a letter of support be provided to Carson Flett for his Royal Visit request.

CARRIED

BUSINESS:

5. a) Northern Alberta Elected Leaders – Membership Fees

MOTION COW 23-04-57

MOVED by Councillor Cardinal

That a recommendation be made to Council that administration be authorized to proceed with payment of \$1,500 to the Municipal District of Peace No. 135, as financial administrators of the Northern Alberta Elected Leaders (NAEL), in order to maintain membership in NAEL.

CARRIED

BUSINESS: 5. b) 2023 Spring Runoff Update

MOTION COW 23-04-58 **MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the 2023 Spring Runoff Update be received for information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS: 5. c) MasterCard Statements – February 2023

MOTION COW 23-04-59 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That the MasterCard statements for February 2023 be received for information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS: 5. d) Cheque Registers – March 27 – April 14, 2023

MOTION COW 23-04-60 **MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That the March Online/Direct Debit payments, and the cheque registers and EFTs from March 27 – April 21, 2023, be received for information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS: 5. e) One Time Project Cancellation – Fireproof Safe

MOTION COW 23-04-61 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That a recommendation be made to Council that the 2023 One Time Project – Fireproof Safe be cancelled.

CARRIED

MOTION COW 23-04-62 **MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That a recommendation be made to Council that the 2023 Operating Budget be amended by \$1,656.00 for the purchase of 3 shelving units.

CARRIED

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 10:57 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

BUSINESS:

5. f) Repeal Bylaw 1142-19 & 1180-20 Tax Penalty Bylaw Amendments

MOTION COW 23-04-63

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That a recommendation be made to Council that Bylaws 1142-19 and 1180-20 to Amend the Tax Penalties be repealed.

CARRIED

BUSINESS:

5. g) Grant Application (ADDITION)

MOTION COW 23-04-64
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a recommendation be made to Council that Mackenzie County supports the High Level Agricultural Society's grant application to Farm Credit Canada.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS:

5. h) Rezoning Concerns (ADDITION)

MOTION COW 23-04-65
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Cardinal

That the Rezoning Concerns discussion be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION:

4. b) Alberta Conservation Association (ACA)

MOTION COW 23-04-66

MOVED by Councillor Derksen

That a recommendation be made to Council that funds of \$30,000 from the 2023 Capital Project Machesis Lake Campground be reallocated to a new One Time Project creating recreational fishing opportunities at the Mackenzie Applied Research Association and the Tompkins Twin ponds.

CARRIED

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 12:10 p.m.,
Councillor Smith left the meeting at 12:47 p.m. and Reeve
Knelsen reconvened the meeting at 12:49 p.m.

POLICY REVIEW:

6. a) None

CLOSED MEETING:

7. Closed Meeting

MOTION COW 23-04-67

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council move into a closed meeting at 12:49 p.m. to
discuss the following:

7. a) Caribou Mountains Wildland Provincial Park
(*FOIP Sections 21 and 23*)

CARRIED

The following individual were present during the closed
meeting discussion. (*MGA Section 602.08(1) (6)*)

- All Councillors Present excluding Councillor Peters and
Councillor Smith
- Byron Peters, Interim Chief Administrative Officer/
Director of Projects & Infrastructure
- Caitlin Smith, Director of Planning & Agriculture
- Louise Flooren, Manager of Legislative & Support
Services/ Recording Secretary

MOTION COW 23-04-68

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council move out of the closed meeting at 1:06 p.m.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

4. c) Compass Assessment Consultants Inc.

MOTION COW 23-04-69

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the 2022 Assessment for the 2023 Taxation presentation
report be received for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Knelsen recessed the meeting at 1:27 p.m., Councillor Smith rejoined the meeting at 1:35 p.m. and Reeve Knelsen reconvened the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING:

7. Closed Meeting

MOTION COW 23-04-70

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That Council move into a closed meeting at 1:35 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 7. a) Caribou Mountains Wildland Provincial Park
(FOIP Sections 21 and 23)

CARRIED

The following individual were present during the closed meeting discussion. (MGA Section 602.08(1) (6))

- All Councillors Present excluding Councillor Peters
- Byron Peters, Interim Chief Administrative Officer/ Director of Projects & Infrastructure
- Caitlin Smith, Director of Planning & Agriculture
- Louise Flooren, Manager of Legislative & Support Services/ Recording Secretary

MOTION COW 23-04-71

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Council move out of the closed meeting at 2:36 p.m.

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING:

7. a) Caribou Mountains Wildland Provincial Park

MOTION COW 23-04-72

MOVED by Councillor Bateman

That the Caribou Mountains Wildland Provincial Park discussion be received for information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS:

5. i) Fort Vermilion Library Board (ADDITION)

MOTION COW 23-04-73
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Fort Vermilion Library Board discussion be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEXT MEETING DATE: 8. a) Meeting Dates

Committee of the Whole Meeting
June 27, 2023
10:00 a.m.
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT: 9. a) Adjournment

MOTION COW 23-04-74 **MOVED** by Councillor Smith

That the April 25, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved at the June 27, 2023.

(original signed)

Joshua Knelsen
Reeve

(original signed)

Byron Peters
Interim Chief Administrative Officer

