

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, November 10, 2009  
10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

**PRESENT:** Greg Newman Reeve  
Walter Sarapuk Deputy Reeve  
Dicky Driedger Councillor  
John W. Driedger Councillor  
Ed Froese Councillor  
Peter F. Braun Councillor  
Ray Toews Councillor  
Lisa Wardley Councillor  
Stuart Watson Councillor

**ABSENT:** Bill Neufeld Councillor

**ADMINISTRATION:** William (Bill) Kostiw Chief Administrative Officer  
Joulia Whittleton Director of Corporate Services  
Dave Crichton Director of Operations (North)  
Carol Gabriel Executive Assistant  
Marion Krahn Development Officer

**ALSO PRESENT:** Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on November 10, 2009 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Newman called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

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

**MOTION 09-11-974 MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: 3. a) Minutes of the October 27, 2009 Organizational Council Meeting**

**MOTION 09-11-975**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the minutes of the October 27, 2009 Organizational Council meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3.b) Minutes of the October 28, 2009 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 09-11-976**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the October 28, 2009 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

**4. a) None**

**GENERAL REPORTS:**

**6. a) Mackenzie Housing Management Board Meeting Minutes – September 8 & October 26, 2009**

**MOTION 09-11-977**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Mackenzie Housing Management Board meeting minutes of September 28 and October 26, 2009 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**TENDERS:**

**8. a) None**

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

**9. a) Council Committee Reports**

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meetings.

Councillor Braun reported on the REDI Tourism Committee meeting, La Crete Recreation Society, La Crete FCSS, GENIVAR projects meeting regarding 98<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Municipal Planning Commission meetings, ARPA Conference, developers meeting regarding sewer trunk line, Finance Committee meeting, and the land use open house for sewer trunk line.

Reeve Newman reported on the meeting with the Town of High

Level regarding capital projects and the PC Alberta Annual General Meeting.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the Finance Committee meeting.

Councillor J. Driedger reported on the ARPA Conference, AJA Friesen drainage project, PC Alberta Annual General Meeting, and the Frank Wiens drainage project.

Councillor Watson reported on the Finance Committee meeting.

Councillor Toews reported on the Fort Vermilion Recreation Board, meeting with Focus Engineering regarding River Road project, Fort Vermilion FCSS, Mackenzie Housing Management Board and the PC Alberta Annual General Meeting.

Councillor Wardley reported on the Zama office building, Zama Recreation Board meetings, Zama Get to Know You Night and the Mackenzie Library Board meeting.

Councillor D. Driedger reported on the Regional ASB Conference, rural drainage presentation in High Level and the Northern Lakes College workshop.

**MOTION 09-11-978**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Council Committee reports be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**9. b) CAO & Director Reports**

**MOTION 09-11-979**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

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

**CARRIED**

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

**10. a) Bylaw 745/09 Water and Sewer System**

**MOTION 09-11-980**  
(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 745/09 being a bylaw for the water and sewer system.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-981**  
(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That second reading be given to Bylaw 745/09 being a Bylaw for the water and sewer system.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-982**  
(requires unanimous)

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 745/09 being a bylaw for the water and sewer system.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-11-983**  
(requires 2/3)

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That third reading be given to Bylaw 745/09 being a bylaw for the water and sewer system.

**CARRIED**

**10. b) Bylaw 747/09 Establish the Position of Designated Officer (Director of Operations South)**

**MOTION 09-11-984**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Bylaw 747/09 being a bylaw to establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Operations (South) be tabled to the in-camera discussion.

**CARRIED**

**10. c) Tax Write-Off – Roll 071123**

**MOTION 09-11-985**

**MOVED** by Reeve Newman

That administration be authorized to write-off \$85.35 in tax arrears and void the 2009 tax levy of \$36.35 and penalties totaling \$12.42 for tax roll 071123.

**CARRIED**

**10. d) Tax Write-off – Roll 313865**

**MOTION 09-11-986**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the \$83.09 outstanding balance on tax roll 313865 be written-off.

**CARRIED**

**10. e) Penalties on Tax Roll 411047**

**MOTION 09-11-987**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That administration be authorized to waive the penalty of \$5,007.37 for tax roll 411047 subject to the owner honoring the preauthorized payment agreement.

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION 09-11-988**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That a letter be sent to the owner of tax roll 411047 explaining the reason for Council's decision to deny the waiving of the penalty.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 11:12 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

**10. f) ATB Investment Management – Non-Profit and Institutional Stewardship Workshop**

**MOTION 09-11-989**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That all councilors be authorized to attend the Non-Profit and Institutional Stewardship: A Better Way to Achieve Prudent Financial Governance workshop on November 19, 2009 in Edmonton.

**CARRIED**

**10. g) WCB Coverage for Councillors**

**MOTION 09-11-990**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the WCB Deeming Application in order to include councilors be tabled to the next meeting for further clarification.

**CARRIED**

**10. h) Fort Vermilion Agricultural Society – Heritage Centre Request**

**MOTION 09-11-991**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the Fort Vermilion Heritage Centre operated by the Fort Vermilion Agricultural Society be endorsed as an official community Visitor Information Centre.

**CARRIED**

**10. j) Finance and Investment Report – October 31, 2009**

**MOTION 09-11-992**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the financial and investment report for the period ended October 31, 2009 be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. k) Inter-municipal Subdivision & Development Appeal Board – Member at Large Appointment**

**MOTION 09-11-993**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Sheila Peters be appointed to the Inter-municipal Subdivision & Development Appeal Board as a Member at Large for one year term ending October 2010.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

**10. l) 2010 Growing the North Conference**

**MOTION 09-11-994**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That three Councillors be authorized to attend the Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie on January 21-22, 2010:

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-995**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That four Councillors be authorized to attend the Growing the North Conference in Grande Prairie on January 21-22, 2010:

**CARRIED**

**10. m) Seniors Lodge Study**

**MOTION 09-11-996**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the County move forward with another seniors lodge study using funds previously allocated.

**CARRIED**

**10. n) Enhanced Policing**

**MOTION 09-11-997**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the hiring of a second Mackenzie County Enhanced Policing position be deferred to the 2010 budget deliberations.

**CARRIED**

**10. o) Adhoc Use of Consultants**

**MOTION 09-11-998**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the adhoc use of consultants be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**7. a) Bylaw 735/09 Municipal Development Plan**

Reeve Newman called the public hearing for Bylaw 735/09 to order at 1:00 p.m.

Reeve Newman asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 735/09 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Development Officer, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Newman asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Municipal Development Plan. Marion Krahn, Development Officer, and David Schoor, Senior Planner from ISL Engineering presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on September 8, 2009.

Reeve Newman asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Municipal Development Plan. There were no questions.

Reeve Newman asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 735/09. No submissions were

received.

Reeve Newman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 735/09. No one was present to speak to the proposed bylaw.

Reeve Newman closed the public hearing for Bylaw 735/09 at 1:15 p.m.

**MOTION 09-11-999**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 735/09 being a Municipal Development Plan for Mackenzie County as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-1000**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That third reading be given to Bylaw 735/09 being the Municipal Development Plan for Mackenzie County as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-1001**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the County adopt the Mackenzie County moving forward logo as one of the official County logos.

**DEFEATED**

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 1:52 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

**DELEGATIONS:**

**5. a) Al Dumouchel – 1:30 p.m. DMI General Development Plan**

**MOTION 09-11-1002**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the presentation by Al Dumouchel, Forest Resources Supervisor, on DMI's General Development Plan be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. p) Canadian Risk Hazards Network Symposium**

**MOTION 09-11-1003**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk



That the Canadian Risk Hazards Network Symposium be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**10. q) Training Session for New Assessment Complaints System**

**MOTION 09-11-1004**

**MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That all Assessment Review Board members be authorized to attend the required training courses for the new assessment complaints system.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Water Management Projects**

**MOTION 09-11-1005**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the water management projects be received for information and appropriate action as discussed.

**CARRIED**

**11. b) Rural Water**

**MOTION 09-11-1006**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the rural water update be received for information.

**CARRIED**

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

**12. a) None**

**INFORMATION/  
CORRESPONDENCE**

**13. a) Information/Correspondence**

**MOTION 09-11-1007**

**MOVED** by Councillor Sarapuk

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

**CARRIED**

**10. i) Zama Recreation Board – Funding Request**

**MOTION 09-11-1008**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the 2009 budget be amended to include \$56,500 to the Zama Recreation Board towards the incurred Zama Community Hall capital costs with funding coming from the General Operating Reserve.

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION 09-11-1009**

Requires 2/3

**MOVED** by Reeve Newman

That the 2009 budget be amended to include \$56,500 towards the incurred Zama Community Hall capital costs with funding coming from the General Operating Reserve with the understanding that the 2010 Zama Recreation Society funding be reduced by \$26,500.00. If CFEP funding is obtained this will be considered a loan.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-1010**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the remaining funds in the Zama Beautification Reserve be transferred to the Zama Recreation Society.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**MOTION 09-11-1011**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 2:51 p.m.

- 10. b) Bylaw 747/09 Establish the Position of Designated Officer
- 14. a) Personnel
- 14. b) Special Projects
- 14. c) Legal
- 14. d) Inter-municipal Relations
- 14. e) CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Negotiations

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-1012**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That Council move out of camera at 3:21 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**14. a) Personnel**

**10. b) Bylaw 747/09 Establish the Position of Designated Officer (Director of Operations South)**

**MOTION 09-11-1013**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 747/09 being a bylaw to establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Operations (South) as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-1014**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That second reading be given to Bylaw 747/09 being a bylaw to establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Operations (South) as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-1015**  
(Requires unanimous)

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 747/09 being a bylaw to establish the position of designated officer for the Director of Operations (South).

**DEFEATED**

**14. b) Special Projects**

**MOTION 09-11-1016**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That a letter be sent to Alberta Health Services regarding their commitment to maintain the ambulance level of service.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 09-11-1017**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That two Councillors be authorized to travel to the UGRA Research Institute.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION 09-11-1018**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Reeve Newman, Councillor Froese, and Councillor Toews (alternate) be authorized to travel to the UGRA Research Institute.

**CARRIED**

**14. c) Legal**

**MOTION 09-11-1019**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the legal update be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**14. d) Inter-municipal Relations**

**MOTION 09-11-1020**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the inter-municipal negotiations continue as discussed.

**CARRIED**

**14. e) CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Negotiations**

**MOTION 09-11-1021**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the Reeve, Councillor Wardley, and Councillor Watson be authorized to attend the meeting with Apache.

**CARRIED**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

Regular Council Meeting  
Wednesday, November 25, 2009  
4:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**16. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 09-11-1022**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved on November 25, 2009.

Original Signed

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Greg Newman  
Reeve

Original Signed

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William Kostiw  
Chief Administrative Officer