

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, February 12, 2008

10:00 am

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

PRESENT:

Greg Newman	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Peter Braun	Councillor (teleconference)
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Bill Neufeld	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor (arrived at 10:21 a.m.)
Stuart Watson	Councillor

ABSENT: Ed Froese Councillor

ADMINISTRATION:

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

ALSO PRESENT: Susan McNeil, The Echo
Members of the public.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on February 12, 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 10:08 a.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 08-02-090 MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of:
10. k) Manager's Meetings

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF THE
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**3. a) Minutes of the January 30, 2008 Regular Council
Meeting**

MOTION 08-02-091

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the minutes of the January 30, 2008 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**3. b) Minutes of the February 1, 2008 Special Council
(Budget) Meeting**

MOTION 08-02-092

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the minutes of the February 1, 2008 Special Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

4. a) None

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) RCMP

No delegation was present at the meeting.

GENERAL REPORTS:

**6. a) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes –
January 9, 2008**

MOTION 08-02-093

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of January 9, 2008 be received for information.

CARRIED

TENDERS:

8. a) None

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

9. a) Council Committee Reports

Councillor D. Driedger reported on the Agriculture Land Task Force meeting.

Councillor Watson reported on the CAMRIF funding announcement for Zama.

Councillor Toews reported on the AAMD&C Zone meeting.

Councillor J. Driedger reported on the Mackenzie Economic Development Corporation, Fire/EMS banquet in La Crete, budget meeting, and the AAMD&C Zone meeting.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the Northwest Reeves & Mayors meeting, Regional Economic Development Initiative meetings, meeting with the Town of Rainbow Lake, Northern Forest Education Society meeting, Public Advisory Committee meeting, and the AAMD&C Zone meeting.

Reeve Newman reported on the CAMRIF funding announcement for Zama, meeting with the Town of Rainbow Lake and Husky, and the AAMD&C Zone meeting.

Councillor Wardley joined the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

Councillor Neufeld reported on the Mackenzie Housing Management Board, Agriculture Land Task Force, and the AAMD&C Zone meeting.

Councillor Wardley reported on the Zama Recreation Board meeting.

Councillor Braun had no items to report.

MOTION 08-02-094

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the council verbal reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

9. b) CAO & Director Reports

MOTION 08-02-095

MOVED by Councillor Watson

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.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 10:56 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

10. a) Request for Utilities Charge Reduction

MOTION 08-02-096

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the sewer portion of a utility bill for Lot 21, Block 6, Plan 892-1752 be reduced by \$246.00 as requested.

CARRIED

10. b) Municipal Sustainability Initiative

MOTION 08-02-097

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That a letter of support be sent to the Town of High Level in regards to their Municipal Sustainability Initiative grant projects.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-098

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the suggestions for coordinated projects with the Town of High Level be tabled until the new Municipal Sustainability Initiative funding guidelines are available.

CARRIED

10. c) La Crete Municipal Nursing Association

MOTION 08-02-099

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the La Crete Municipal Nursing Association correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

10. d) Disaster Plan

MOTION 08-02-100

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the disaster plan be received for information.

CARRIED

10. e) Disaster Forum 2008

MOTION 08-02-101

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Disaster Forum 2008 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. f) Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Membership

MOTION 08-02-102

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That Mackenzie County continue their membership with the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association.

CARRIED

10. g) La Crete Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting

MOTION 08-02-103

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Mackenzie County accept the offer by the La Crete Chamber of Commerce to attend their Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-104

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the per diems to attend the La Crete Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting be waived.

CARRIED

10. h) Meeting Dates

MOTION 08-02-105

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the March 26, 2008 Regular Council meeting be held in Fort Vermilion.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-106

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the April 23, 2008 Regular Council meeting be held in La Crete at the Ridgeview Central School beginning at 1:00 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-107

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the April 8, 2008 Regular Council meeting be moved to April 10, 2008.

CARRIED

10. i) CAO Evaluation Date

MOTION 08-02-108

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the CAO evaluation be set for June 25, 2008 at 12:00 p.m.

CARRIED

10. j) Mackenzie Housing Management Board

MOTION 08-02-109

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the Mackenzie Housing Management Board 2008 draft requisition be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-110

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That administration be instructed to set up a tri-council meeting with the Mackenzie Housing Management Board in regards to their request for an annual requisition towards a capital reserve for future lodge projects.

CARRIED

10. k) Manager's Meetings

MOTION 08-02-111

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the Reeve or Deputy Reeve be authorized to attend Manager's meetings.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:42 p.m.

DELEGATIONS:

5. b) Tompkins Landing Campground

MOTION 08-02-112

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the presentation by John Krahn regarding the Tompkins Landing Campground be received for information.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) Bylaw 652/07 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Part of NW 19-109-19-W5M from Agricultural District 1 (A1) to Rural Industrial District 1 (RI1) (High Level Rural) (Inter-municipal Development Plan Corridor)

Reeve Newman called the public hearing for Bylaw 652/07 to order at 1:04 p.m.

Reeve Newman asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 652/07 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 Land Use Bylaw Amendment. Ryan Becker, Director of Planning & Emergency Services, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on December 11, 2007.

Reeve Newman asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment.

Reeve Newman asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 652/07. One submission was received.

Reeve Newman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 652/07. Mike and Wendy Parkin were in attendance to discuss their concerns regarding the proposed Bylaw.

Reeve Newman closed the public hearing for Bylaw 652/07 at 1:19 p.m.

MOTION 08-02-113

MOVED by Councillor Braun

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 "RI1" be tabled for further information including an area structure plan, access, and buffer zone.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

5. c) Peace/Upper Hay Access Planning Guidelines

MOTION 08-02-114

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the presentation by Sustainable Resource Development regarding the Peace/Upper Hay Access Planning Guidelines be received for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 1:54 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

5. d) Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB)

MOTION 08-02-115

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That the presentation by the Natural Resources Conservation Board be received for information.

CARRIED

5. e) Jake & Susanne Wolfe

MOTION 08-02-116

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That administration be instructed to reach an equitable agreement with Jake & Susanne Wolfe in regards to their proposed subdivision located at NW 31-109-18-W5M.

CARRIED

5. g) ISL Engineering

MOTION 08-02-117

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the update by ISL Engineering be received for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 3:12 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

5. f) Norwood Transport – Request to Waive a Fire Invoice

Councillor J. Driedger declared himself in conflict and left the meeting at 3:23 p.m.

MOTION 08-02-118

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the request to waive a fire invoice by Norwood Transport be received for information.

CARRIED

Councillor J. Driedger rejoined the meeting at 3:48 p.m.

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

11. a) Tompkins Landing Campground

MOTION 08-02-119

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Mackenzie County pursue securing the lease and associated survey costs for the Tompkins Landing Campground and a five year agreement with the local group subject to a detailed operator's agreement with funding coming from the Parks and Recreation budget.

CARRIED

11. b) ATCO Electric Contracts

MOTION 08-02-120

MOVED by Councillor D. Driedger

That the ATCO Electric contracts be tabled for further information.

CARRIED

11. c) CAMRIF Funding

MOTION 08-02-121

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That Mackenzie County proceed with tendering the Canada-Alberta Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (CAMRIF) projects for Aspen Drive in the Hamlet of Zama and 101st Street – 91st Avenue in the Hamlet of La Crete.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-122

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the 109th Avenue from 100th to 101st Street project in the Hamlet of La Crete be added as a separate schedule to the tender for the Canada-Alberta Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (CAMRIF) projects.

CARRIED

11. d) Mackenzie Applied Research Association Funding Request

MOTION 08-02-123

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the Mackenzie Applied Research Association's annual grant for 2008 be increased to \$45,000, with funding coming from the 2008 operating budget.

CARRIED

11. e) Zama Traffic Control

MOTION 08-02-124

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Mackenzie County install two stop signs with flashing red solar lights on Tower road within the Hamlet of Zama, subject to Bylaw review.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-125

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the following items be added to the agenda:

- 11. f) Hutch Lake
- 14. g) Medical clinic

CARRIED

11. f) Hutch Lake

MOTION 08-02-126

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a letter be sent to the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture requesting that the Hutch Lake Campsite remain a

provincial park.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 4:15 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

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

12. a) Bylaw 664/08 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Add General Services Establishment to the Discretionary Uses of Hamlet Country Residential District 1 “HCR1”

MOTION 08-02-127

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That first reading be given to Bylaw 664/08, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to add General Services Establishment to the Discretionary Uses of Hamlet Country Residential District 1 “HCR1”.

DEFEATED

12. b) Bylaw 665/08 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Part of SE 13-106-14-W5M from Agricultural District 1 “A1” to Direct Control District 1 “DC1”

MOTION 08-02-128

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That first reading be given to Bylaw 665/08, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Part of SE 13-106-14-W5M from Agricultural District 1 (A1) to Direct Control District 1 (DC1).

CARRIED

12. c) Road Name Assignment Request for Range Road 15-1 – West of SW 13-106-15-W5M and North of Highway 697

MOTION 08-02-129

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the road name request for Range Road 15-1 West of SW 13-106-15-W5M and north of Highway 697 be approved and that it be named John L. Friesen Road.

CARRIED

12. d) Mackenzie County School Zone Review – La Crete Public School

MOTION 08-02-130

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the school zone review at La Crete Public School be tabled to the summer of 2008.

CARRIED

12. e) Johan Wolf – Request to Waive an Ambulance Invoice

MOTION 08-02-131

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the request to waive an ambulance invoice be denied and that Johan Wolf pay invoice #5557 in full in the amount of \$607.78.

CARRIED

12. f) Peter D. and Katharina Wiebe – Request to Waive a Fire Invoice

MOTION 08-02-132

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That invoice #7076 for Peter D. and Katharina Wiebe be reduced to \$3,000 and that the remainder of the invoice be waived.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

13. a) Information/Correspondence Items

MOTION 08-02-133

MOVED by Councillor Watson

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

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 08-02-134

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 4:58 p.m.

14. a) Personnel

- 14. b) Special Projects
- 14. c) Inter-municipal Negotiations
- 14. d) Forestry
- 14. e) Legal
- 14. f) White Zone Land Sale
- 14. g) Medical Clinic

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-135

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Council move out of camera at 6:12 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION 08-02-136

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the Inter-municipal Negotiating Committee continue negotiations as discussed in-camera.

DEFEATED

MOTION 08-02-137

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That a Special Meeting be held on Thursday, February 14, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of discussing inter-municipal negotiations.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE:

15. a) Regular Council Meeting

Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 27, 2008
4:00 p.m.
Town of High Level Council Chambers, High Level, AB

ADJOURNMENT:

16. a) Adjournment

MOTION 08-02-138

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on Wednesday, February 27, 2008.

(signature on file)
Greg Newman, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant