

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
ORGANIZATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, October 24, 2007

10:00 a.m.

**Council Chambers
Fort Vermilion, AB**

PRESENT:

Bill Neufeld	Councillor
Walter Sarapuk	Councillor
Peter Braun	Councillor
Dicky Driedger	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Ed Froese	Councillor
Greg Newman	Councillor
Ray Toews	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Stuart Watson	Councillor

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION:

William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant
Joulia Whittleton	Director of Corporate Services
Mark Schonken	Director of Public Works

ALSO PRESENT:

Sgt. Ryan Becker, Fort Vermilion RCMP
Sgt. Shane Ramteemal, Assumption RCMP
Barry Sjolie, Brownlee LLP
Susan McNeil, The Echo

Minutes of the Organizational Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on October 24, 2007 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

William Kostiw called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 07-10-883 MOVED by Councillor Sarapuk

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of:
2. b) Voting Procedure

CARRIED

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MOTION 07-10-884

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That all elections during the organizational meeting be held by secret ballot.

CARRIED

1. b) Chief Administrative Officer Overview

Mr. Kostiw welcomed the new Council for the 2007–2010 term and provided a brief overview.

ELECTION OF REEVE & DEPUTY REEVE:

4. a) Election of Reeve

Mr. Kostiw called for nominations for the position of Reeve for Mackenzie County for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

First Call: Councillor Newman nominated by Councillor
Watson
Councillor Neufeld nominated by Councillor Braun

Second Call: None.

Third Call: None.

MOTION 07-10-885

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That nominations cease for the position of Reeve.

CARRIED

Councillor Newman was elected Reeve for Mackenzie County for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

4. b) Election of Deputy Reeve

Mr. Kostiw called for nominations for the position of Deputy Reeve for Mackenzie County for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

First Call: Councillor Neufeld nominated by Councillor Froese.
Declined.
Councillor Braun nominated by Councillor Toews.

Declined.
Councillor Sarapuk nominated by Councillor
Watson.

Second Call: Councillor J. Driedger nominated by Councillor
Braun. Declined.

Third Call: None.

MOTION 07-10-886

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That nominations cease for the position of Deputy Reeve.

CARRIED

Councillor Sarapuk was acclaimed as Deputy Reeve for
Mackenzie County for the period October 24, 2007 to October
2008.

Mr. Kostiw recessed the meeting at 10:38 a.m. and reconvened
the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

4. c) Oath of Office

The Oath of Office was administered to the Reeve, Deputy
Reeve, and Councillors by Sgt. Ryan Becker, Fort Vermilion
RCMP, and Sgt. Shane Ramteemal, Assumption RCMP.

TURNOVER OF CHAIR:

5. a) Turnover of Chair to the Reeve

Mr. Kostiw turned over the chair to newly elected Reeve
Newman.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEES
& TASK FORCES:**

**6. a) Appointment of Council Members to Council
Committees, Boards and Task Forces**

MOTION 07-10-887

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Agricultural
Land – Land Use Planning Committee** for the period October
24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor D. Driedger
Councillor Neufeld
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk
Councillor Froese (alternate)

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-888 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Agriculture Service Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.
Councillor Neufeld
Councillor D. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-889 **MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Assessment Review Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.
Councillor Braun
Councillor Wardley (alternate)

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-890 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That three County Building Task Forces be created for La Crete, Fort Vermilion, and High Level/Zama consisting of three Councillors and administration.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-891 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **La Crete County Building Task Force** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.
Councillor Braun
Councillor Neufeld
Councillor J. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-892 **MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Fort Vermilion County Building Task Force** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.
Councillor Toews
Councillor Froese
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-893

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **High Level/Zama County Building Task Force** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Wardley
Councillor Watson
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-894

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Finance Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Braun
Councillor Toews
Councillor Neufeld
Councillor Watson

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-895

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Reeve, Deputy Reeve, Councillor Neufeld, and the CAO be appointed to the **Highway 88 Task Force** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-896

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the **Intermunicipal Development Plan Committee** be abolished.

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 11:55 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:46 p.m.

3. b) Delegation – RCMP Report

Sgt. Ryan Becker, Fort Vermilion RCMP and Sgt. Shane Ramteemal, Assumption RCMP provided a report to Council regarding services provided throughout the County.

MOTION 07-10-897

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **Mackenzie Housing Management Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Neufeld

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-898

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Mackenzie Library Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Wardley

Councillor J. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-899

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the **Medical Professional Task Force** be abolished.

CARRIED

The following Councillors were nominated for the Municipal Planning Commission and an election was held.

Councillor Froese

Councillor Braun

Councillor Toews

MOTION 07-10-900

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Municipal Planning Commission** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Froese

Councillor Braun

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-901

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the **Operations Committee** be abolished.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-902

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Regional Water Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Watson
Councillor Neufeld

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-903

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Rural Water Services Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008 and that the Terms of Reference be amended to change the number of councilors to three.

Councillor J. Driedger
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk
Councillor D. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-904

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Toews
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk (alternate)

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-905

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **Upper Hay Recreational Hunting & Fishing Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Reeve Newman

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-906

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Veterinary Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008 and that the Terms of Reference be amended to change the number of Councillors to two.

Councillor J. Driedger
Councillor D. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-907

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the **Waterfront Development Task Force** be abolished.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-908

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That all Council, with the exception of ASB members, and the Chief Administrative Officer be appointed to the **Weed Control Appeal Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-909

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a Parks and Recreation Committee be established, including four members of Council, and that a Terms of Reference be developed.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-910

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Parks and Recreation Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Wardley
Councillor Braun
Councillor J. Driedger
Councillor D. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-911

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That a First Nations Consultation Committee be established, including four members of Council, and that a Terms of Reference be developed.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-912

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **First Nations Consultation Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Toews
Councillor Watson
Councillor Neufeld
Councillor Wardley

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-913

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That a Mackenzie Pipeline Ad Hoc Committee be established.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-914

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Pipeline Ad Hoc Committee**.

Councillor Froese
Councillor Watson (alternate)

CARRIED

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 1:54 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:04 p.m.

DELEGATION:

3. a) Barry Sjolie, Brownlee LLP

Mr. Barry Sjolie of Brownlee LLP provided a presentation to Council on their roles and responsibilities.

Reeve Newman recessed the meeting at 3:45 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

6. b) Appointment of Members at Large to County Boards/Committees

MOTION 07-10-915

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the following members at large be appointed to the **Municipal Planning Commission** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Jack Eccles

Manfred Gross
Beth Keppelar

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-916

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the following members at large be appointed to the
Mackenzie Housing Management Board for the period October
24, 2007 to October 2008.

Dave Neufeld
Wally Schroeder
Jim Thompson
Sharon McLean

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-917

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following members at large be appointed to the
Assessment Review Board for the period October 24, 2007 to
October 2008.

Wally Schroeder
Daryl Zielsdorf

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-918

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the members at large positions for the **Subdivision &
Development Appeal Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to
October 2008 be readvertised.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-919

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the following members at large be appointed to the
Mackenzie Library Board for the period October 24, 2007 to
October 2010 and that the remaining position be readvertised.

Beth Kappelar
Wally Schroeder
Daryl Zielsdorf
Jim Thompson

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-920

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the following members at large be appointed to the **Rural Water Services Board** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2010 and that the remaining positions be readvertised.

Beth Kappelar
Daryl Zielsdorf

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-921

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the following members at large be appointed to the **Upper Hay Recreational Hunting & Fishing Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2010.

Mike Kowal
Jake J. Wolfe

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-922

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the following members at large be appointed to the **Veterinary Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2010.

Maarten Braat
Henry G. Friesen

CARRIED

**APPOINT
REPRESENTATIVES:**

7. a) Appointment of Council Representatives to Other Committees

MOTION 07-10-923

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Caribou Mountains Wildland Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Reeve Newman
Councillor Watson (alternate)

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-924

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Hay Zama Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Neufeld
Councillor Watson
Councillor Froese (alternate)

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-925

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **High Level Airport Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Toews

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-926

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **High Level Forests Public Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-927

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **High Level & District Recreational Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Watson

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk (alternate)

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-928

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **Mackenzie Economic Development Corporation** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor J. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-929

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Mackenzie Regional Waste Management** for the period October 24, 2007

to October 2008.
Councillor Braun
Councillor Watson

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-930 **MOVED** by Councillor Toews

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **Mighty Peace Tourist Association** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Braun

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-931 **MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Hay Zama Tourism Sub-Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Neufeld
Councillor Watson
Councillor Braun

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-932 **MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **Northern Lights Forest Education Society** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-933 **MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **NAIT Industry Advisory Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor J. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-934 **MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Northwest**

Corridor Development Corporation for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Froese
Councillor Neufeld
Councillor Wardley

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-935

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Recreation Boards** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Fort Vermilion – Councillor Toews
La Crete – Councillor Braun
Zama City – Councillor Wardley

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-936

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the **Regional Airport Study** be abolished.

CARRIED

The following Councillors were nominated for the Regional Economic Development Initiative and an election was held.

Councillor D. Driedger
Councillor Braun
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

MOTION 07-10-937

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Regional Economic Development Initiative** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor D. Driedger
Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-938

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the following Councillor be appointed to the **REDI Recreational Study Sub-Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor Braun

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-939

MOVED by Councillor J. Driedger

That Mackenzie County continue to participate in the Regional Health Professional Retention Committee.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-940

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Regional Health Professional Retention Committee** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Councillor J. Driedger

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-941

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the following Councillors be appointed to the **Veterinary Services Incorporated** for the period October 24, 2007 to October 2008.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

Councillor D. Driedger (alternate)

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-942

MOVED by Councillor Toews

That the following Councillor be appointed as the County's spokesperson on the Partners in Prevention Committee.

Councillor Wardley

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-943

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That all ballots be destroyed.

CARRIED

6. c) FCSS (Structure)

MOTION 07-10-944

MOVED by Councillor Neufeld

That the FCSS structure be postponed to the next regular

meeting.

CARRIED

BYLAWS/POLICIES:

8. a) Bylaw 650/07 Honorariums & Expenses

MOTION 07-10-945

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 650/07 being a bylaw to provide for honorariums and related expense reimbursement for councilors and approved committee members as amended.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-946

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That second reading be given to Bylaw 650/07 being a bylaw to provide for honorariums and related expense reimbursement for councilors and approved committee members as amended.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-947

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That consideration be given to go to third reading of Bylaw 650/07 being a bylaw to provide for honorariums and related expense reimbursement for councilors and approved committee members, at this time.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-10-948

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That third reading be given to Bylaw 650/07 being a bylaw to provide for honorariums and related expense reimbursement for councilors and approved committee members as amended.

CARRIED

**8. b) Bylaw 529/05 Organizational and Procedural Matters
for Council, Council Committee and Councilors**

MOTION 07-10-949

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That Bylaw 529/05 be received for information.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS: 9. a) Establish Council Meeting Dates

MOTION 07-10-950 **MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Regular Council meetings for the period November 2007 to October 2008 be scheduled as follows.

- 2nd Tuesday of each month beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Fort Vermilion Council Chambers
- 4th Wednesday of each month beginning at 4:00 p.m. to be held in a rotation between the communities with at least two meetings in Zama, High Level, and La Crete.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 10. a) Adjournment

MOTION 07-10-951 **MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the Organizational Council meeting be adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on Tuesday, November 13, 2007.

(signature on file)
Greg Newman, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant