

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, September 11, 2007**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Fort Vermilion, AB**

**PRESENT:**

Bill Neufeld	Reeve
Walter Sarapuk	Deputy Reeve
Peter Braun	Councillor
John W. Driedger	Councillor
Ed Froese	Councillor
Greg Newman	Councillor
Jim Thompson	Councillor
Lisa Wardley	Councillor
Stuart Watson	Councillor

**ABSENT:**

**ADMINISTRATION:**

William (Bill) Kostiw	Chief Administrative Officer
Carol Gabriel	Executive Assistant
Paul Driedger	Director of Planning & Emergency Services
John Klassen	Manager of Utilities & Facilities
Mark Schonken	Director of Public Works

**ALSO PRESENT:** Susan McNeil      The Echo

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on September 11, 2007 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

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

**MOTION 07-09-779      MOVED** by Councillor Thompson

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

- 5. a) RCMP – Delegation
- 10. c) Mackenzie Housing Management Board
- 10. d) Donation Request
- 11. e) Town of High Level Referrals Bylaw 856-07
- 12. b) Zama Water Treatment Plant

- 12. c) Mackenzie Housing – Fort Vermilion
- 12. d) 7 Mile Corner
- 13. c) Special Projects
- 13. d) Engineering
- 13. e) Gravel Pit

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF THE  
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- 3. a) **Minutes of the August 29, 2007 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 07-09-780**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the minutes of the August 29, 2007 Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

- 4. a) **None**

**DELEGATIONS:**

- 5. a) **RCMP**

**MOTION 07-09-781**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the RCMP report presented by Sgt. Ryan Becker be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**GENERAL REPORTS:**

- 6. a) **None**

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

- 9. a) **Council Committee Reports**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the Regional Economic Development Initiative ethanol study, and the High Level Forests Public Advisory Committee meeting,

Councillor Driedger reported on the Mackenzie Housing Management Board.

Councillor Watson reported on the Tri-Council meeting.

Councillor Wardley reported on the Zama Recreation Board meeting and the Mackenzie Library Board meeting.

Councillor Thompson reported on the Mackenzie Library Board meeting.

Councillor Newman had no items to report.

Councillor Braun reported on the Tri-Council meeting, ATV public meeting in La Crete and a REDI teleconference.

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission.

Reeve Neufeld reported on the Tri-Council meeting, ATV public meeting and attended a government function.

**MOTION 07-09-782**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Council Committee verbal reports be accepted as information.

**CARRIED**

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

**MOTION 07-09-783**

**MOVED** by Councillor Thompson

That the Director of Planning & Emergency Services, Manager of Utilities & Facilities, and the Chief Administrative Officer reports be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 10:56 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

**10. a) Sale of Land by Public Auction**

**MOTION 07-09-784**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the reserve bid be set for property offered for sale at the assessment value.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-785**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the auction date be set for Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007 to be held in the Council Chambers at 4511-46 Ave, Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

**CARRIED**

**10. b) Information/Correspondence Items**

**MOTION 07-09-786**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

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

**CARRIED**

**10. c) Mackenzie Housing Management Board**

**MOTION 07-09-787**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the letter be sent to the Minister of Seniors and Community Supports regarding the Mackenzie Housing Management Board as presented.

**CARRIED**

**10. d) Donation Request**

**MOTION 07-09-788**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the request for financial assistance for athletic sponsorship be received for information.

**CARRIED**

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

**11. a) Development Permit 13-DP-07 Industrial Shop on SE 32-110-19-W5M (Inter-Municipal Development Plan Corridor)**

**MOTION 07-09-789**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the Development Permit 13-DP-07 Industrial Shop on SE 32-110-19-W5M be tabled to after the in-camera discussions.

**CARRIED**

**11. b) Development Permit 201-DP-07 Plan 902-0841, Lot 5 –**

## **Direct Control 2 “DC2” (Indian Cabins)**

### **MOTION 07-09-790**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Development Permit No. 201-DP-07 on Plan 902-0841, Block 5, in the name of Robert Baron, be approved with the following conditions:

1. Minimum setbacks: 40.14 meters (135 feet) from road allowance; 15.34 meters (50 feet) from any other property lines.
2. All setbacks from property lines adjacent to the Provincial Highway shall meet Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation setback requirements.
3. All conditions and requirements by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation are to be met to their specifications and standards.
4. **PRIOR** to installation of a new access or changing location of existing access contact Alberta Transportation at 624-6280. Access to be constructed to Alberta Transportation standards.
5. **PRIOR** to moving the Industrial Camp to the subject site, provide a notification of the relocation route to Mackenzie County. Contact the Operational Services Department at (780) 928-3983 regarding proper times and procedures.
6. The total site area (lot) shall have a positive surface drainage without adversely affecting the neighbouring properties.

**CARRIED**

### **11. c) Town of High Level Referrals Plan 042-4274, Block 53, Lot 11 (High Level)**

### **MOTION 07-09-791**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That Mackenzie County has no concerns for Subdivision application S07-008 on Plan 042 4274, Block 53, Lot 11 within the Town of High Level in the name of Samlan Enterprises Inc, for three new lots.

**CARRIED**

**11. d) Special Council Meeting**

**MOTION 07-09-792**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That a Special Council meeting be held on September 21, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fort Vermilion Council Chambers for the purpose of reviewing the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw open house results and the Land Use Group recommendations for Phase 1.

**CARRIED**

**11. e) Town of High Level Referrals**

**Bylaw 856-07 Part of Lot 10PUL, Block 43, Plan 982-3408 (High Level)**

**MOTION 07-09-793**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Mackenzie County has no concerns regarding the Town of High Level Bylaw 856-07 to rezone Part of Lot 10PUL, Block 43, Plan 982-3408 from Public Recreational (PR) to Residential District 1C (R1C) within the Town of High Level.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

**12. a) Tompkins Landing Ice Bridge**

**MOTION 07-09-794**

**MOVED** by Councillor Thompson

That the Tompkins Landing Ice Bridge proposed project schedule be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-795**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the agreement with Alberta Infrastructure & Transportation regarding the construction and maintenance of the Tompkins Landing Ice Bridge be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**12. b) Zama Water Treatment Plant**

**MOTION 07-09-796**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Mackenzie County appoint ISL Engineering to the Zama Water Treatment Plant project, subject to review by Brownlee LLP and the signing of a proper engagement letter.

**CARRIED**

**12. c) Mackenzie Housing – Fort Vermilion**

**MOTION 07-09-797**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That the Mackenzie Housing maintenance and tendering of project in Fort Vermilion be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**12. d) Seven Mile Corner**

**MOTION 07-09-798**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the seven mile corner storm water drainage be received for information.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:01 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**7. a) Bylaw 637/07 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Replace Land Use Bylaw 462/04 Section 7.3 Agricultural District 1 “A1” Section “C” and “E” as Amended**

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 637/07 to order at 1:02 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 637/07 was properly advertised. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Reeve Neufeld asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Land Use Amendment Bylaw. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on June 25, 2007.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Land Use Amendment Bylaw. Discussion was held.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 637/07. No submissions were received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 637/07. There was no indication that anyone present wished to speak to the bylaw.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 637/07 at 1:11 p.m.

**MOTION 07-09-799**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That Bylaw 637/07 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment to replace Land Use Bylaw 462/04 Section 7.3 Agricultural District 1 "A1" Section "C" and "E" be tabled and included in the Municipal Development Plan/Land Use Bylaw review and request comments from the Town of High Level.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-800**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That consideration be given to move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 1:21 p.m.

13. e) Gravel Pit

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-801**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Council move out of camera at 1:35 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**13. e) Gravel Pit**

**MOTION 07-09-802**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the Chief Administrative Officer and Deputy Reeve Sarapuk proceed with negotiations regarding the gravel pit located at Sec 8 Twp 110 Rge 15 W5 as discussed in-camera.

**CARRIED**



**TENDERS:**

**8. a) Fort Vermilion Water Treatment Plant and Lift Station  
Upgrading Project**

**MOTION 07-09-803**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the tenders for the Fort Vermilion water treatment plant and lift station upgrading project be opened.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-804**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That Mackenzie County award the Fort Vermilion water treatment plant and sewer lift station upgrading project tender to the lowest bidder.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-805**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Council move in-camera at 1:44 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-806**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Council move out of camera at 2:04 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**8. b) Intersection Improvements at Blumenort Road  
Highway 697:04 Kilometre 53.67**

**MOTION 07-09-807**

**MOVED** by Councillor Froese

That the Intersection Improvements at Blumenort Road Highway 697:04 Kilometre 53.67 tenders be opened.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-808**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That the Intersection Improvements at Blumenort Road Highway 697:04 Kilometre 53.67 tender be rejected and that administration bring back alternative options.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**MOTION 07-09-809**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That consideration be given to move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 2:30 p.m.

- 13. a) Town of High Level Negotiations
- 13. b) Personnel
- 13. c) Special Projects
- 13. d) Engineering

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-810**

**MOVED** by Councillor Newman

That Council move out of camera at 3:54 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**13. a) Town of High Level Negotiations**

**MOTION 07-09-811**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That the County respond to the Minister's letter of September 10, 2007 accepting his directive to commence mediation with the Town of High Level.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-812**

**MOVED** by Councillor Driedger

That administration proceed with the establishment of a fire service, including the purchase of appropriate equipment and staffing, for the High Level rural area to ensure a continuous level of service.

**CARRIED**

**13. c) Special Projects**

**MOTION 07-09-813**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That a letter be sent offering to purchase three quarters of land from Jake Elias subject to legal advice.

**CARRIED**

**13. d) Engineering**

**MOTION 07-09-814**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That EXH Engineering be secured to complete all road projects in the hamlet of Zama.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 07-09-815**

**MOVED** by Councillor Watson

That DCL Siemens Engineering be paid, in trust, in exchange for all electronic information relating to County projects.

**CARRIED**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**14. a) Regular Council Meeting**

Regular Council Meeting  
Wednesday, September 26, 2007  
10:00 a.m.  
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**15. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 07-09-816**

**MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes approved on Wednesday, September 26, 2007.

(signature on file)  
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)  
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant