

**MACKENZIE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, June 12, 2007

10:00 a.m.

**Zama Community Hall
Zama City, 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 (left at 3:27 p.m.)

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: William (Bill) Kostiw Chief Administrative Officer
Carol Gabriel Executive Assistant
Joulia Whittleton Director of Corporate Services
Paul Driedger Director of Planning & Emergency Services
John Klassen Manager of Utilities & Facilities

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on Tuesday, June 12, 2007 at the Zama Community Hall in Zama City, Alberta.

CALL TO ORDER: 1. a) Call to Order

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m.

AGENDA: 2. a) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 07-06-513 MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of:
12. g) Communications
10. h) 53rd Street in Fort Vermilion
11. k) Ratepayer Meeting Review
10. i) ATV Signage
11. l) Assessment Review by Ward

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF THE
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

MOTION 07-06-514

3. a) Minutes of the May 23, 2007 Regular Council Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the minutes of the May 23, 2007 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

MOTION 07-06-515

Requires 2/3

4. a) Wash Bay – Fort Vermilion

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That administration proceed with the construction of a wash bay at the Fort Vermilion shop, with work being awarded to United Farmers of Alberta Ltd., and that the 2007 capital budget be amended as follows:

	2007 Budget	2007 Amended Budget
Wash Bay	\$75,000	\$124,700
Sand Shed	\$60,000	Postpone to 2008

CARRIED

GENERAL REPORTS:

MOTION 07-06-516

6. a) Action List

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the action list be received for information.

CARRIED

**6. b) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of
May 23, 2007**

MOTION 07-06-517

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of May 9, 2007 be received for information.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE,
CAO AND DIRECTORS**

8. a) Council Committee Reports

REPORTS:

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk reported on the Agriculture Service Board meeting, Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum, La Crete open house and ratepayers meeting.

Councillor Thompson reported on the Fort Vermilion and Zama ratepayers meetings and the Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum.

Councillor Braun reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meetings, Finance Committee meetings, Mighty Peace Tourism annual general meeting, REDI highways teleconference meeting, Assessment Review Board training session, Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) annual conference, Fort Vermilion, La Crete, and Zama ratepayers meetings, Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum, and the Mackenzie Waste Management meeting.

Councillor Watson reported on the Finance Committee meetings, Mackenzie Waste Management meeting, and the Zama ratepayers meeting.

Councillor Froese reported on the Municipal Planning Commission meetings and the La Crete and Zama ratepayers meetings.

Councillor Newman reported on the Agriculture Service Board meeting, Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum, and the Fort Vermilion and La Crete ratepayers meetings.

Councillor Wardley reported on the Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum, and the Fort Vermilion, La Crete, and Zama ratepayers meetings.

Councillor Driedger reported on the Mackenzie Housing Management Board, Fort Vermilion, La Crete and Zama ratepayers meetings, and the Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum.

Reeve Neufeld reported on the Finance Committee meetings, Mackenzie Regional Governance Forum, meeting with Alberta Infrastructure & Transportation and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) annual conference.

MOTION 07-06-518

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Council Committee verbal reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

8. b) CAO & Director Reports

MOTION 07-06-519
Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That the gravel truck trailer be added to the agenda.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

5. a) RCMP

MOTION 07-06-520

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the RCMP report presented by Staff Sgt. Steve Wright from the High Level RCMP Detachment be received for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7. a) Bylaw 624/07 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Plan 762-1591, Block A, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 (HR1) to Hamlet Public District (HP) – Fort Vermilion

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 624/07 to order at 1:01 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 624/07 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 Bylaw Amendment. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on May 8, 2007.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. There were no questions.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 624/07. Two submissions were received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 624/07. There was no indication that anyone present wished to speak to the bylaw.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 624/07 at 1:08 p.m.

MOTION 07-06-521

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 624/07 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment to rezone Plan 762-1591, Block A, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 (HR1) to Hamlet Public District (HP).

DEFEATED

7. b) Bylaw 625/07 Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the Cancellation of Plan 052-3965, Block 23, Lot 13 and Plan 052-3965, Block 23, Lot 14 for the Purpose of Consolidation – La Crete

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 625/07 to order at 1:11 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 625/07 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 Bylaw Amendment. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on May 8, 2007.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. There were no questions.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 625/07. No submissions were received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 625/07. There was no

indication that anyone present wished to speak to the bylaw.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 625/07 at 1:13 p.m.

MOTION 07-06-522

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That second reading be given to Bylaw 625/07 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the cancellation of Plan 052-3965, Block 23, Lot 13 and Plan 052-3965, Block 23, Lot 14 for the purpose of consolidation.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-06-523

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That third reading be given to Bylaw 625/07 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment for the cancellation of Plan 052-3965, Block 23, Lot 13 and Plan 052-3965, Block 23, Lot 14 for the purpose of consolidation.

CARRIED

7. c) Bylaw 628/07 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Part of SW 12-106-15-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Rural Country Residential District 1 "RC1"

Reeve Neufeld called the public hearing for Bylaw 628/07 to order at 1:14 p.m.

Reeve Neufeld asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 628/07 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 Bylaw Amendment. Paul Driedger, Director of Planning presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on May 8, 2007.

Reeve Neufeld asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment. Discussion regarding the water system.

Reeve Neufeld asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 628/07. No written submissions were

received.

Reeve Neufeld asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 628/07. There was no indication that anyone present wished to speak to the bylaw.

Reeve Neufeld closed the public hearing for Bylaw 628/07 at 1:27 p.m.

MOTION 07-06-524

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 628/07 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Part of SW 12-106-15-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Rural Country Residential District 1 "RC1".

CARRIED

MOTION 07-06-525

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That third reading be given to Bylaw 628/07 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Part of SW 12-106-15-W5M from Agricultural District 1 "A1" to Rural Country Residential District 1 "RC1" subject to an adopted Area Structure Plan.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-06-526

MOVED by Councillor Watson

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

CARRIED

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

**9. a) Bylaw 633/07 Road Closure
West Boundary of NW 25-104-14-W5M (Savage Prairie)**

MOTION 07-06-527

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That first reading be given to Bylaw 633/07 being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure of that portion of government road allowance lying west of the west boundary of NW 25-104-14-W5M for the purpose of consolidating a portion of NE 26-104-14-W5M east of the creek with NW 25-104-14-W5M. Further, the

applicant shall be responsible for all costs associated with the road closure, land purchase, and consolidation of the parcels.

DEFEATED

9. b) Tompkins Landing – Recreation Lease Application

MOTION 07-06-528
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the Tompkins Landing Campground (Recreation Lease REC 030012) be completed and the expenditures be allocated to 02-61-00-235 (Planning & Development Professional Fees).

MOTION 07-06-529

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That motion 07-06-528 be amended by removing Tompkins Landing Campground.

CARRIED

MOTION 07-06-530
Requires 2/3

That Recreation Lease REC 030012 be completed and the expenditures be allocated to 02-61-00-235 (Planning & Development Professional Fees)

DEFEATED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 2:15 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

9. c) Inter-Municipal Development Plan

MOTION 07-06-531

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the Town of High Level be notified that Mackenzie County has no concerns regarding Bylaw 852-07 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment Application to add Pawnbroker as a Discretionary Use in the General Industrial Zoning.

CARRIED

9. d) Public Land Sale – NW & NE 15-109-12-W5M

MOTION 07-06-532

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That approval be given to Public Lands Division for the sale of NW & NE 15-109-12-W5M in Rural Fort Vermilion to be sold as one entire unit.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA SESSION:

MOTION 07-06-533

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 2:28 p.m.

- 12. a) Town of High Level Negotiations
- 12. b) Fidler Pit Negotiations
- 12. c) Private Dust Control
- 12. d) Road Request to SE 36-105-15-W5M
- 12. e) Zama Waste Transfer Station
- 12. f) Personnel
- 12. g) Communications

CARRIED

MOTION 07-06-534

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That Council move out of camera at 3:12 p.m.

CARRIED

12. a) Town of High Level Negotiations

MOTION 07-06-535

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of High Level be sent as amended.

CARRIED

12. e) Zama Waste Transfer Station

MOTION 07-06-536

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That Mackenzie County negotiate a contract agreement with JB Rentals for the operation of the Zama Waste Transfer Station until September 30, 2007 with a possible six month extension.

CARRIED

12. g) Communications

MOTION 07-06-537

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Mackenzie County continues contracting TELUS Mobility as the mobility communications provider for Mackenzie County.

CARRIED

11. g) Request from La Crete Sawmills to Waive Taxes

MOTION 07-06-538

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the La Crete Sawmills request to waive taxes be denied and advise them to appeal assessment (Economic).

CARRIED

11. I) Assessment Review by Ward

MOTION 07-06-539

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Watson

That the assessment review by ward be received for information.

CARRIED

11. i) Hamlet of Zama City – 10 Year Road Plan

MOTION 07-06-540

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the 10 year road construction plan for the Hamlet of Zama be approved as presented to include hot-mix asphalt.

CARRIED

**OPERATIONAL
SERVICES:**

10. a) 2007 Regravelling Contract

MOTION 07-06-541

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That Mackenzie County award the 2007 Regravelling Contract to Knelsen Sand and Gravel.

CARRIED

Councillor Watson left the meeting at 3:27 p.m.

10. b) Bridge File 86154 Contract

MOTION 07-06-542
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That the Bridge file 86154 contract be awarded to Pine Ridge Logging Ltd. and that the estimated additional funding of \$130,000 come from the public works roads reserves and provincial grant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. c) Traffic Count (TWP 106-1)

MOTION 07-06-543

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the traffic count (TWP 106-1) be received for information.

CARRIED

10. d) Inverted Speed Bumps

MOTION 07-06-544

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That Mackenzie County remove the "No U-Turn" sign on the corner of 100th street and 94th avenue in La Crete.

CARRIED

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 3:33 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

10 e) Mackenzie County Logo

MOTION 07-06-545
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Froese

That Council authorizes administration to purchase the new Mackenzie County logos as presented for all County vehicles and equipment.

CARRIED

10. f) La Crete Home Hardware Sewer Service

MOTION 07-06-546

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That Mackenzie County allow sewer servicing to the lot at 9810-99th Street in La Crete as per owner's request and as per Bylaw 539/05.

CARRIED

10. g) John Deere Grader Blade

MOTION 07-06-547

Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the 2007 capital budget be amended to include the purchase of a \$12,000 John Deere grader blade with funding coming from Vehicle and Equipment reserve.

CARRIED

10. h) 53rd Street Fort Vermilion

MOTION 07-06-548

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That 53rd street in Fort Vermilion be received for information.

DEFEATED

10. i) ATV Signage

MOTION 07-06-549

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That administration research and bring back costs and options on ATV signage in the hamlets.

CARRIED

10. j) Gravel Truck Trailer

MOTION 07-06-550

Requires Unanimous

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That administration be authorized to bid on the gravel truck pup trailer as discussed.

CARRIED

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

**11. a) Bylaw 635/07 Establishing Additional Locations to
Receive Nomination Papers**

MOTION 07-06-551

MOVED by Councillor Braun

That first reading be given to Bylaw 635/07 for establishing additional locations to receive nominations as amended.

CARRIED

11. b) FIN023 – Local Improvement Charge Cancellation

MOTION 07-06-552
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That policy FIN023 – Local Improvement Charge Cancellation be amended as presented.

CARRIED

**11. c) Offer to Purchase Plan 2938RS, Block 8, Lot 8
Located in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion**

MOTION 07-06-553
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That Council accept the Offer to Purchase Plan 2938RS, Block 8, Lot 8 in the Hamlet of Fort Vermilion from James Neufeld in the amount of \$11,420.00.

CARRIED

**11. d) Royal Canadian Legion – Local Improvement
Levy Write Off**

MOTION 07-06-554

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That writing off the 2007 local improvement levy of \$197.00 for the Royal Canadian Legion in Fort Vermilion be approved.

CARRIED

**11. e) Sand Hills Elementary School – Request for
Funding**

MOTION 07-06-555
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That \$4,000 be granted to the Sand Hills Elementary School towards the new soccer nets with the funding coming from the Funding to Community Non-Profit Organizations Reserve.

CARRIED

11. f) La Crete Agricultural Society

MOTION 07-06-556
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Thompson

That Mackenzie County contribute \$5,000 to the La Crete

Agricultural Society for the transporting of the old La Crete Ferry to the museum site with the funding coming from the Funding to Community Non-Profit Organizations Reserve.

CARRIED

11. h) Xerox for Fort Vermilion Office

MOTION 07-06-557
Requires 2/3

MOVED by Councillor Driedger

That the 2007 Capital Budget be amended to include \$59,900 for the purchase of a Xerox 4110 with \$53,500 coming from the General Capital Reserve and \$6,400 from the operating fund.

CARRIED

11. j) Information/Correspondence

MOTION 07-06-558

MOVED by Councillor Braun

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

CARRIED

11. k) Ratepayer Meeting Review

MOTION 07-06-559

MOVED by Councillor Wardley

That the review of the ratepayer meetings be tabled.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING DATE:

**13. a) Regular Council Meeting
Monday, June 25, 2007
10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers, Fort Vermilion, AB**

ADJOURNMENT:

14. a) Adjournment

MOTION 07-06-560

MOVED by Councillor Newman

That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were approved on Monday, June 25, 2007.

(signature on file)
Bill Neufeld, Reeve

(signature on file)
Carol Gabriel, Executive Assistant