

**MACKENZIE COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 9, 2011  
10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Fort Vermilion, Alberta**

**PRESENT:** Bill Neufeld Reeve (left at 1:42 p.m.)  
Walter Sarapuk Deputy Reeve  
Jacquie Bateman Councillor  
Peter F. Braun Councillor  
Elmer Derksen Councillor (left at 1:23 p.m.)  
Dicky Driedger Councillor  
John W. Driedger Councillor  
Odell Flett Councillor  
Eric Jorgensen Councillor  
Lisa Wardley Councillor (via teleconference)

**REGRETS:**

**ADMINISTRATION:** J. Roy Brideau Chief Administrative Officer  
Joulia Whittleton Director of Corporate Services  
Marion Krahn Supervisor of Planning & Development  
Carol Gabriel Executive Assistant

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

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Mackenzie County held on August 9, 2011 at the Council Chambers in Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

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

Reeve Neufeld called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

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

**MOTION 11-08-622 MOVED** by Deputy Reeve Sarapuk

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 7. e) Agricultural Land Sales
- 9. e) Bylaw 833-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Decrease the Minimum Lot Sizes of the Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1"

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- 7. f) Spending Cuts
- 7. g) Debt Limit
- 7. h) Rainbow Pipeline
- 8. a) LOC on Fox Lake Road

**CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF  
PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- 3. a) Minutes of the July 27, 2011 Regular Council Meeting**

**MOTION 11-08-623**

**MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That the minutes of the July 27, 2011 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**GENERAL REPORTS:**

- 5. a) None**

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES:**

- 7. a) Hamlet of La Crete – Transportation Routes**

**MOTION 11-08-624**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That administration prepare a plan to evaluate the preservation of 100A street in La Crete for future road expansion and that no development on these lands be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 7. b) Recovery of Taxes by Public Auction – Tax Forfeiture Properties**

**MOTION 11-08-625**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the auction date for the tax forfeiture properties be set for October 11, 2011 to be held at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 4511-46 Avenue, Fort Vermilion, AB.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 7. c) Ward Boundary – Public Meeting Dates**

**MOTION 11-08-626**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the ward boundary realignment public information

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meetings be held on the following dates:

La Crete – October 25, 2011  
Fort Vermilion – October 26, 2011  
High Level Rural – October 27, 2011

**CARRIED**

**7. d) GeoTourism Canada Funding Application – Letter of Support**

**MOTION 11-08-627**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That a letter of support be sent to GeoTourism Canada for their GeoTourism Services Project – North.

**CARRIED**

**7. e) Agricultural Land Sales (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 11-08-628**  
Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Derksen

That the recommendations by the Agricultural Land Use Planning Committee as indicated in their August 8, 2011 meeting minutes be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. f) Spending Cuts (ADDITION)**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 10:56 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

Discussion was held regarding municipal spending.

**7. g) Debt Limit (ADDITION)**

Discussion was held regarding the County's debt limit.

**7. h) Rainbow Pipeline (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 11-08-629**  
Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That a letter be sent to the Minister of Environment regarding the reopening of the Rainbow Pipeline.

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**CARRIED**

**OPERATIONAL  
SERVICES:**

**8. a) LOC on Fox Lake Road (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 11-08-630**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That administration research the LOC on the Fox Lake Road.

**CARRIED**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT:**

**9. a) Bylaw 801-11 Road Closure of FRD 570002 NW 6-104-14-W5M and SE 6-104-14-W5M (Old Buffalo Head Prairie Tower Road)**

**MOTION 11-08-631**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That second reading be given to Bylaw 801-11, being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure and abandonment of Part of Forestry Road Designation 570002 lying within NW 6-104-14-W5M, SW 6-104-14-W5M and SE 6-104-14-W5M.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-632**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That third reading be given to Bylaw 801-11, being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure and abandonment of Part of Forestry Road Designation 570002 lying within NW 6-104-14-W5M, SW 6-104-14-W5M and SE 6-104-14-W5M.

**CARRIED**

**9. b) Bylaw 829-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Plan 982 1128, Block 17, Lot 39 from Hamlet Commercial District 1 "HC1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3" (La Crete)**

**MOTION 11-08-633**

**MOVED** by Councillor Flett

That first reading be given to Bylaw 829-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to Plan 982 1128, Block 17, Lot 39 from Hamlet Commercial District 1 "HC1" to Hamlet Residential District 3 "HR3".

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**9. c) Bylaw 830-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone NW 35-105-15-W5M from Rural Country Residential District 1 "RC1" to Agricultural District 1 "A1" (Buffalo Lake Estates)**

**MOTION 11-08-634**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That first reading be given to Bylaw 830-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone NW 35-105-15-WM from Rural Country Residential District 1 "RC1" to Agricultural District 1 "A1".

**CARRIED**

**9. d) Town of Rainbow Lake Northeast Residential Area Structure Plan (Rainbow Lake)**

**MOTION 11-08-635**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That a letter be sent to Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency (MMSA) advising that Mackenzie County has no concerns with regard to the Town of Rainbow Lake – North East Area Structure Plan.

**CARRIED**

**9. e) Bylaw 833-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Decrease the Minimum Lot Sizes of the Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1" (ADDITION)**

**MOTION 11-08-636**

Requires Unanimous

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That first reading be given to Bylaw 833-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to reduce the lot sizes within the Hamlet Country Residential District 1 "HCR1" to a minimum of 0.4 hectares (1.0 acre) and a maximum of 1.0 hectare (2.5 acres) when the lots are serviced by municipal sewer.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DELEGATIONS:**

**4. a) S/Sgt. Tom Love, Fort Vermilion RCMP – 11:45 a.m.**

**MOTION 11-08-637**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That the statistical report by S/Sgt. Tom Love of the Fort

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Vermilion RCMP be received for information.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Neufeld recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:36 p.m.

**IN CAMERA SESSION:**

**MOTION 11-08-638**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That Council move in-camera to discuss issues under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulations 18 (1) at 12:37 p.m.

- 12. a) Legal
- 12. b) Labour

**CARRIED**

Councillor Derksen left the meeting at 1:23 p.m.  
Reeve Neufeld left the meeting at 1:42 p.m. and turned over the chair to Deputy Reeve Sarapuk.

**MOTION 11-08-639**

**MOVED** by Councillor Flett

That Council move out of camera at 1:52 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNITY &  
PROTECTIVE  
SERVICES:**

**10. a) None**

**INFORMATION/  
CORRESPONDENCE:**

**11. a) None**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**6. a) Bylaw 818-11 Partial Subdivision Plan Cancellation  
Part of NE 7-107-13-W5M (Plan 082 9052, Block 1,  
Lot 1) (Spruce Road)**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk called the public hearing for Bylaw 818-11 to order at 2:02 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 818-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, answered that the

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bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on June 29, 2011.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. There were no questions.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 818-11. No submissions were received.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 818-11. There was no one present to speak to the proposed Bylaw.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk closed the public hearing for Bylaw 818-11 at 2:03 p.m.

**MOTION 11-08-640**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That second reading be given to Bylaw 818-11, being a Subdivision Plan Cancellation Bylaw to cancel Plan 082 9052, Block 1, Lot 1 for the purpose of reverting it back into NE 7-107-13-W5M from which it was taken.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-641**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 818-11, being a Subdivision Plan Cancellation Bylaw to cancel Plan 082 9052, Block 1, Lot 1 for the purpose of reverting it back into NE 7-107-13-W5M from which it was taken.

**CARRIED**

**6. b) Bylaw 819-11 Municipal Reserve Closure Sale (La Crete)**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk called the public hearing for Bylaw

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819-11 to order at 2:04 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 819-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on June 29, 2011.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Does the land go to public sale? It is advertised and dealt with according to the MGA.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 819-11. No submissions were received.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 819-11. There was no one present to speak to the proposed Bylaw.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk closed the public hearing for Bylaw 819-11 at 2:07 p.m.

**MOTION 11-08-642**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That second reading be given to Bylaw 819-11, being a Municipal Reserve Closure Bylaw to cancel and sell a portion of Plan 032 5931, Lot 6MR.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-643**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 819-11, being a Municipal Reserve Closure Bylaw to cancel and sell a portion of Plan 032 5931, Lot 6MR.

**CARRIED**

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**6. c) Bylaw 823-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Rezone Plan 832 0443, Block 8, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 “HR1” to Hamlet Residential District 1A “HR1A” and Hamlet Residential District 2 “HR2” (Fort Vermilion)**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk called the public hearing for Bylaw 823-11 to order at 2:07 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 823-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, presented the Development Authority’s submission and indicated that first reading was given on July 11, 2011.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. There were no questions.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 823-11. No submissions were received.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 823-11. There was no one present to speak to the proposed Bylaw.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk closed the public hearing for Bylaw 823-11 at 2:11 p.m.

**MOTION 11-08-644**

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That second reading be given to Bylaw 823-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 832 0443, Block 8, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 “HR1” to Hamlet Residential District 1A “HR1A” and Hamlet Residential District 2 “HR2”.

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**MOTION 11-08-645**

**MOVED** by Councillor Flett

That third reading be given to Bylaw 823-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment to rezone Plan 832 0443, Block 8, Lot 1 from Hamlet Residential District 1 "HR1" to Hamlet Residential District 1A "HR1A" and Hamlet Residential District 2 "HR2".

**CARRIED**

**6. d) Bylaw 824-11 Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Decrease the Minimum Lot Widths of Hamlet Residential District 1A "HR1A" and Hamlet Residential District 2 "HR2"**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk called the public hearing for Bylaw 824-11 to order at 2:11 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 824-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on July 11, 2011.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. MPC recommendation to allow the reduction of lot width only if the proposed subdivision abuts a recreation district should be removed. Why the lot size change 50 ft lot? Gives you more lots. Problem with minimizing lot widths, burdens the fire departments, we should retain our space requirements between lots. Frank – setbacks are still the same. Eric – fits with seniors lodging who can't maintain a large lot. Isn't part of the development for multi-family dwellings? Yes. Discussion regarding how this change would affect the entire county.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 824-11. No submissions were received.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if there was anyone present who

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would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 824-11. There was no one present to speak to the proposed Bylaw.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk closed the public hearing for Bylaw 824-11 at 2:23 p.m.

**MOTION 11-08-646**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That second reading be given to Bylaw 824-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment for a lot width reduction in Hamlet Residential District 1A "HR1A" to a minimum of 16.75 meters (55 feet) and in Hamlet Residential District 2 "HR2" to a minimum of 18.29 meters (60 feet) subject to the proposed subdivision being directly adjacent to a Recreation District "REC" zoning.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-647**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That third reading be given to Bylaw 824-11, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment for a lot width reduction in Hamlet Residential District 1A "HR1A" to a minimum of 16.75 meters (55 feet) and in Hamlet Residential District 2 "HR2" to a minimum of 18.29 meters (60 feet) subject to the proposed subdivision being directly adjacent to a Recreation District "REC" zoning.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-648**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That the minimum lot sizes in HR1A and HR2 be brought back for discussion.

**CARRIED**

**6. e) Bylaw 825-11 Internal Subdivision Road  
Cancellation South of Plan 082 5028, Block 1, Lot 1  
(Part of SE 18-110-18-W5M) (High Level Rural)**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk called the public hearing for Bylaw 825-11 to order at 2:27 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 825-11 was properly advertised. Marion

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Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on July 11, 2011.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Do we have to charge them by law for the land? Our policy states lands are for sale at market value. Internal subdivision road. Why do we have to charge him if we didn't buy it? To ensure proper process.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 825-11. No submissions were received.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 825-11. There was no one present to speak to the proposed Bylaw.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk closed the public hearing for Bylaw 825-11 at 2:32 p.m.

**MOTION 11-08-649**

**MOVED** by Councillor Jorgensen

That administration move forward with Bylaw 825-11, being a Road Closure Bylaw for the closure and sale of all that portion of Internal Subdivision Road Allowance lying adjacent to and south of Plan 082 5028, Block 1, Lot 1 for the purpose of reverting the lands back into SE 18-110-18-W5M. Furthermore, that the sale price of the lands be one dollar (\$1.00).

**CARRIED**

**6. f) Bylaw 826-11 Subdivision Plan Cancellation, Plan 082 5028, Block 1, Lots 2 through 4 (Part of SE 18-110-18-W5M) (High Level Rural)**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk called the public hearing for Bylaw 826-11 to order at 2:34 p.m.

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Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if the public hearing for proposed Bylaw 826-11 was properly advertised. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, answered that the bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked the Development Authority to outline the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. Marion Krahn, Supervisor of Planning Services, presented the Development Authority's submission and indicated that first reading was given on July 11, 2011.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if Council has any questions of the proposed Subdivision Plan Cancellation. There were no questions.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if any submissions were received in regards to proposed Bylaw 826-11. No submissions were received.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in regards to the proposed Bylaw 826-11. There was no one present to speak to the proposed Bylaw.

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk closed the public hearing for Bylaw 826-11 at 2:36 p.m.

**MOTION 11-08-650**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bateman

That second reading be given to Bylaw 826-11, being a Plan Cancellation Bylaw to cancel Plan 082 5028, Block 1, Lots 2 through 4 for the purpose of reverting it back into Part of SE 18-110-18-W5M from which it was taken as amended.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-651**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That third reading be given to Bylaw 826-11, being a Plan Cancellation Bylaw to cancel Plan 082 5028, Block 1, Lots 2 through 4 for the purpose of reverting it back into Part of SE 18-110-18-W5M from which it was taken.

**CARRIED**

Deputy Reeve Sarapuk recessed the meeting at 2:37 p.m. and

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reconvened the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

**4. b) Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency (Land Use Framework) – 2:00 p.m.**

Presentation by the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency on the Land Use Framework Upper and Lower Peace Regions Position Paper.

**MOTION 11-08-652**

**MOVED** by Councillor Braun

That Council move in camera at 3:38 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-653**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Council move out of camera at 4:35 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**12. a) Legal**

**MOTION 11-08-654**

**MOVED** by Councillor Flett

That the fee schedule bylaw be brought back to Council at the next meeting to reflect the increases in lease fees for the La Crete airport due to the enhanced level of service.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-655**

**MOVED** by Councillor Wardley

That Council supports the extension to the annexation clause till March 31, 2012 and that administration notify the Town of High Level.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 11-08-656**

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Driedger

That the presentation to the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs regarding seniors housing be approved as discussed.

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**MOTION 11-08-657**

**MOVED** by Councillor Flett

That the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency presentation be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**12. b) Labour**

**NEXT MEETING  
DATE:**

**13. a)** Regular Council Meeting  
Monday, August 22, 2011  
10:00 a.m.  
Fort Vermilion Council Chambers

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**14. a) Adjournment**

**MOTION 11-08-658**

**MOVED** by Councillor J. Driedger

That the regular council meeting be adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes were approved by Council on August 22, 2011.

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Bill Neufeld  
Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer

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