

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN BRAZEAU COUNTY ON TUESDAY, 2014 06 17

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve P. Vos called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

PRESENT

P. Vos, Reeve
R. Moir, Councillor
M. Thompson, Councillor
M. Gressler, Councillor
A. Heinrich, Councillor
S. Mahan, Councillor
K. Westerlund, Councillor
M. Schoeninger, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Robinson, Executive Assistant
T. Thomson, Fire Chief
R. Ennis, Director of Community Services
J. Evasiuk, Director of Public Works and Infrastructure
B. Christie, Director of Corporate Services
A. Spice, GIS

OTHERS

L. Allan, Western Review

LONG SERVICE AWARDS

Reeve P. Vos presented long service awards to Rick Beattie (5 years); Marco Schoeninger (5 years); and Tennie McCracken (25 years) of service for Brazeau County.

ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Addition to and Adoption of Agenda

697/14 Moved by M. Gressler to approve the agenda with the following additions:

7. Community Services

- g) Request for a Letter of Support for the Whitby Hall
- email correspondence attached
- h) Crime Watch Block Party Contribution \$500.00

12. Add General Matters and amend numbering

- a) Canada Post Rural Address
- requested by Councillor R. Moir – email correspondence attached

- b) Council 1 and Council 5 Policies
- Request for Council Direction attached
- c) Procedural Bylaw
- Request for Council Decision attached

13. Correspondence

- e) Correspondence from Alberta Transportation regarding additional signage at the intersection of Highway 22 and Highway 39

44. In Private

- Land Acquisition – Lease Status

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Adoption of Minutes

698/14 Moved by M. Thompson to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2014 Council meeting as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

699/14 Moved by R. Moir to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2014 Council Land Use Bylaw Review meeting amended as follows:

Motion 688/14 should read:

In Favour: A. Heinrich

K. Westerlund

Opposed: S. Mahan

P. Vos

M. Gressler

Defeated

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING

Business Arising

None

**URGENT
ITEMS**

Urgent Items

None

**DELEGATIONS/
APPOINTMENTS**

Delegations/Appointments

Birchwood Enhancement Committee

Shawn Little and Dave Nokinsky attended the meeting to request financial support for the construction of a playground at Birchwood.

Reeve P. Vos thanked Mr. Little and Mr. Nokinsky for their presentation.

700/14 Moved by R. Moir to table the request from the Birchwood Enhancement Committee until July 2, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COMMUNITY
SERVICES**

Community Services

ADM-16 Social Media Policy

Council reviewed the report presented.

701/14 Moved by M. Gressler to approve the ADM-16 Social Media Policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Forest Resources Improvement Association of Alberta – FRIAA

Council reviewed the memo presented.

702/14 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Draft ATV Bylaw

Council reviewed the memo presented.

703/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Brighter Futures

Council reviewed the report presented.

704/14 Moved by K. Westerlund to contribute \$200.00 towards the Brighter Futures 20th year of service celebrations, funds to come from unrestricted surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Communities in Bloom

Council reviewed the report presented.

705/14 Moved by M. Thompson to contribute \$500.00 towards the Communities in Bloom July 9th Judging Day Luncheon, funds to come from unrestricted surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS/
APPOINTMENTS**

Delegations/Appointments

School Resource Officer – Harold Smits

Bill Snyder, Principal of the Ecole Rocky Elementary School in Rocky Mountain House and Cst. Harold Smits attended the meeting to make a presentation regarding the School Resource Officer Program in Clearwater County and Rocky Mountain House.

706/14 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the presentation for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve P. Vos thanked Mr. Schneider and Cst. Smits for their presentation.

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 9:58 am and the meeting resumed at 10:08 am.

Rob McIntosh

Rob McIntosh attended the meeting to make a presentation to Council regarding his proposed expansion of the Country Style Mobile Home Park.

707/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the presentation for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve P. Vos thanked Mr. McIntosh for his presentation.

Breton Hall Fundraiser – Cassie Kreil

Cassie Kreil attended the meeting to invite Council to attend the Breton Hall Fundraiser “B-Town Balloon Fun Run, Walk or Stroll”.

708/14 Moved by M. Gressler to receive the presentation for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve P. Vos thanked Ms. Kreil for her presentation.

Cynthia Hall – Henry Danyluk

Mr. Danyluk attended the meeting to speak to Council regarding the flooding at the Cynthia Hall and requested financial assistance for paying some outstanding bills.

709/14 Moved by S. Mahan that the County provide the financial assistance to clear up the current bills and to assist the Cynthia Hall committee with legal advice regarding options, funds to come from unrestricted surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve P. Vos thanked Mr. Danyluk for his presentation.

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 10:53 am and the meeting resumed at 10:59 am.

**RATEPAYER
CONCERNS**

Ratepayer Concerns

Andy Kitching attended the meeting to inquire about the criteria for building roads to new residences as he has requested an access road for a few years and hasn't received a firm answer from the County as to when he would be receiving the road.

Garry Mastre brought forward his concerns regarding: funding for EPAC; Thunder in the Valley and how Council is giving away too much money.

Don Herman brought forward his concerns regarding RR 63 - dust control, speed and policing, and requested the speed limit be reduced to 50 km.

710/14 Moved by A. Heinrich that Administration bring the speed bylaw to Council reducing the speed limit on RR 63.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

711/14 Moved by R. Moir to forward another letter to Pembina Pipeline regarding RR 63.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Russ Kelly brought forth his concerns with the sports park parking lot.

712/14 Moved by A. Heinrich that Administration add gravel to the parking lot at the sports park.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Heidi Swan brought forth her concerns regarding the ATV bylaw; communication towers and cell phone service.

Allan Taylor brought forth his concerns regarding: paying an MPC member for LUB meetings; Divisional Meeting answers; FCM attendance; In Private discussion regarding Council Code of Ethics; Toxic Round Ups – going green; CPO's; Brand Inspector; Tourism; funding for Thunder in the Valley; Weeds; and Expense Accounts on the website.

Frances and Allan Ekstrom presented a petition for the completion of Twp. Rd. 474 between RR52 and RR55.

713/14 Moved by M. Thompson that the petition be received by M. Schoeninger, CAO.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

John Mulligan – Rotary Club – Thunder in the Valley

John Mulligan attended the meeting to request financial support for the repair of the airport runway for the Rotary Club – Thunder in the Valley in the amount of \$60,000.00.

714/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to reject the request from the Rotary Club for the repairs to the airport runway.

IN FAVOUR: A. Heinrich
R. Moir
M. Thompson

OPPOSED: K. Westerlund
S. Mahan
P. Vos
M. Gressler

DEFEATED

715/14 Moved by K. Westerlund to approve Option A of the staff recommendations to provide assistance to the Rotary Club for Thunder in the Valley with verbal and written communication with the Town.

IN FAVOUR: K. Westerlund
S. Mahan
P. Vos

OPPOSED: R. Moir
A. Heinrich
M. Gressler
M. Thompson

DEFEATED

RECESS FOR LUNCH

716/14 Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council meeting of June 17, 2014 recess for lunch at 12:34 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve P. Vos called the meeting to order at 1:20 pm.

PRESENT

P. Vos, Reeve
R. Moir, Councillor
M. Thompson, Councillor
M. Gressler, Councillor
A. Heinrich, Councillor
S. Mahan, Councillor
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L. Allan, Western Review

717/14 Moved by S. Mahan to add Scott Robertson to the agenda regarding the ATV Club.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ATV Club – Scott Robertson

Scott Robertson attended the meeting to present a concern from the ATV Club.

718/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to research lease agreements and forward letters to the Ministers of Tourism and Sustainable Resource Development, MLA Diana McQueen with a copy to the local office regarding the concerns from the ATV Club.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT**

Planning and Development

Postponement of Lydell Redistricting Application Public Hearing

Council reviewed the report presented.

719/14 Moved by M. Gressler to postpone the Public Hearing for the Lydell redistricting application scheduled for July 15, 2014 at 10:00 am.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COMMUNITY
SERVICES**

Community Services

CBC Consulting Ltd.

Council reviewed the report presented.

720/14 Moved by R. Moir to approve the invoice from CBC Consulting Ltd. for \$7,350.00 for compiling and completing the FRIAA grants, funds to come from the FRIAA Grant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

721/14 Moved by M. Gressler to adjust the budget to include the revenue and expenditure for the FRIAA Grant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Crime Watch Block Party Contribution of \$500.00

Councillor R. Moir reported and requested

722/14 Moved by M. Thompson approve a contribution of \$500.00 towards the Crime Watch Block Party Program, funds to come from unrestricted surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE SERVICES

Corporate Services

2014 Annual Budget Amendment

Council reviewed the report attached.

723/14 Moved by M. Gressler to amend the 2014 Annual Budget as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Services

Request for Letter of Support for the Whitby Hall

724/14 Moved by K. Westerlund to provide a letter of support for the Whitby Community Hall.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works

Whitby Community League – Request for Hall Parking Lot Expansion

Council reviewed the report presented.

725/14 Moved by M. Gressler to approve the Whitby Hall parking lot expansion for \$80,000, with the funds to come from unrestricted surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORPORATE
SERVICES**

Corporate Service

Investment Summary as at May 31, 2014

Council reviewed the report attached.

726/14 Moved by R. Moir to approve the Investment Summary as at May 31, 2014 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bank Reconciliation – General Account – TD Bank – March, 2014

Council reviewed the report attached.

727/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to approve the Bank Reconciliation – General Account – TD Bank – March, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bank Reconciliation – General Account – TD Bank – April, 2014

Council reviewed the report attached.

728/14 Moved by R. Moir to approve the Bank Reconciliation – General Account – TD Bank – April, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bank Reconciliation – DV Soccer Association – TD Bank – March, 2014

Council reviewed the report attached.

729/14 Moved by M. Gressler to approve the Bank Reconciliation – DV Soccer Association – TD Bank – March, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bank Reconciliation – DV Soccer Association – TD Bank – April, 2014

Council reviewed the report attached.

730/14 Moved by M. Thompson to approve the Bank Reconciliation – DV Soccer Association – TD Bank – April, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FIRE SERVICES

Fire Services

Level of Service Delivery for the Fire Services

Council reviewed the report presented.

731/14 Moved by S. Mahan to approve the Level of Service Delivery Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

732/14 Moved by M. Gressler to forward a letter to the AAMDC regarding the lack of ambulance coverage in the County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works and Infrastructure

Old Shop Clean-up

Council reviewed the report presented.

733/14 Moved by M. Thompson to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Toxic Waste Round-up

Council reviewed the report presented.

734/14 Moved by R. Moir to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rocky Rapids Playground – Request for Pea Gravel

Council reviewed the report presented.

735/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to research local suppliers and to approve the installation of pea gravel at the Rocky Rapids playground for a cost of \$23,880.25 plus GST, with the funds to come from unrestricted surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Range Road 81 Asphaltic Concrete Pavement Overlay

Council reviewed the report presented.

736/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to award the Range Road 81 Asphaltic Concrete Pavement Overlay, Contract No. 141-12500 to Central City Asphalt Ltd. in the amount of \$1,645,475.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**GENERAL
MATTERS**

General Matters

Canada Post Rural Address

737/14 Moved by R. Moir to forward a letter of support to Canada Post encouraging them to use the rural addressing system with Brazeau County as the name of the municipality.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

738/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to forward a letter to Canada Post regarding the lack of service delivery and in particular the storage of mail because they don't have the staff to sort it.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 3:01 pm and the meeting resumed at 3:13 pm.

Council 1 and Council 5 PoliciesCouncil 1 Policy

739/14 Moved by M. Gressler to amend the Council-1 Policy as follows effective July 1, 2014:

- A. Remuneration/Per Diem (Councillors)
- Increase per diem rates by 10%
 - Allowance in recognition of preparation time and ratepayer concerns be increased to four (4) days at the 4-8 hour daily rate

Remuneration/Per Diem (Reeve and Deputy Reeve Remuneration)

- Increase honorarium for Reeve to \$350
- Increase honorarium for Deputy Reeve to \$150

- C. Expenses (Miscellaneous Expense)
- Amend last paragraph to read: "Brazeau County Council recognizes the importance of youth involvement in the Agriculture Industry and encourages their participation at Agriculture Conferences/Tours. As a result, Brazeau County Council will pay for spousal and youth registrations, program enrolment and banquet tickets at Agricultural Conferences/Tours that offer a spousal and/or youth component in their program. This policy will apply to Agricultural Service Board members and members-at-large only."

Remove the following paragraph: "Expenses and remuneration (per diem) claims shall be completed monthly on forms as supplied by the Accounting Department. All claims shall be approved by the Reeve or Deputy Reeve in the case of the Reeve. Forms must be to the Accounting Department by the 22nd day of the month for processing. Remuneration (per diem) claims will be processed through payroll and directly deposited to bank accounts."

- Add: 6. Councillors and Reeve are permitted to vary his/her expense claim as long as it doesn't exceed the current allotted amount.

Add: 7. Councillors and Reeve to receive a credit card with a limit of \$5000.00.

IN FAVOUR: K. Westerlund
S. Mahan
R. Moir
P. Vos
M. Gressler
M. Thompson

OPPOSED: A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Council-5 Policy

740/14 Moved by R. Moir to approve the Council-5 policy amended as follows:

E. A Councillor needs to use his/her own County credit card to make hotel reservations, conference fees and travel arrangements.

IN FAVOUR: K. Westerlund
S. Mahan
R. Moir
P. Vos
M. Gressler
M. Thompson

OPPOSED: A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 4:25 pm and the meeting resumed at 4:32 pm.

**QUESTIONS FROM
THE MEDIA**

Questions from the Media

L. Allan requested clarification regarding Community Futures and Council 1 and 5 policies.

741/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to table items 12 (c) and from item 13 to 41 to the next meeting of July 2, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEETING
DATES**

Meeting Dates

a) Breton High School Grad – June 26, 2014

742/14 Moved by A. Heinrich to approve Councillor M. Thompson’s attendance at the Breton High School Grad on June 26, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b) Alberta Congress Board – 2014 Workplace Conference – October 16 -19, 2014

743/14 Moved by K. Westerlund to approve Councillors attendance at the Alberta Congress Board 2014 Workplace Conference October 16-19, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c) Ratify any meetings attended since May 20, 2014

744/14 Moved by K. Westerlund to ratify Council’s attendance at the Telus Fiber Meeting announcement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

745/14 Moved by M. Gressler to approve Councillor K. Westerlund’s attendance at the Brazeau County Fair.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

746/14 Moved by M. Thompson to approve Reeve P. Vos and Councillors K. Westerlund, R. Moir and S. Mahan’s attendance at the Keyera Reception.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

747/14 Moved by S. Mahan to ratify Reeve P. Vos’ registration for EOEP courses.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IN PRIVATE SESSION

In Private Session

748/14 Moved by M. Thompson that the regular Council Meeting of June 17, 2014 proceed into 'in private' at 4:40 pm for the purpose of discussing: expropriation of lands, the Brazeau Sports Park and Land Acquisition-Lease Status

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

749/14 Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Council Meeting of June 17, 2014 come out of 'in private' at 6:00 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

750/14 Moved by S. Mahan that Brazeau County proceed with issuing the "Notice of Intention to Expropriate" the following lands:

Plan 8722239
Block 4
Containing 43.3 hectares (106.99 acres) more or less excepting thereout:
A) Plan 9523411 – Subdivision - 5.62 hectares – 13.89 acres more or less
B) Plan 9620061 – Subdivision – 2.80 hectares – 6.92 acres more or less
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT **751/14** Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of June 17, 2014 adjourn at 6:03 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer