

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN BRAZEAU COUNTY ON TUESDAY, 2014 05 20**

**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 Infrastructure  
B. Christie, Director of Corporate Services

**ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Addition to and Adoption of Agenda**

**610/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to approve the agenda with the following additions:

5. Business Arising  
- Birchwood Bridge
6. Urgent Items  
- Lauer Subdivision – in private discussion
7. Delegations/Appointments  
- Ideas on Senior Initiatives and Dust Control – Heidi Swan  
- 9:30 – Birchwood Enhancement Projects Committee – cancelled
11. c) Bylaw 838-14 – Ave Peck
12. d) Deputy Reeve Term Discussion – Councillor R. Moir  
e) Motion 511/14 from April 30, 2014 should read May 6, 2014 not May 20, 2014  
f) Dust Control Policy – Councillor K. Westerlund

- 14. b) Correspondence from Andrew Kitching requesting access road upgrade to NE 24-49-05-W5M
- c) Correspondence from Don Herman regarding RR 63 south of Hwy 39
- 45. Land Negotiations vs Expropriation – delete from agenda

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**611/14** Moved by M. Thompson to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2014 Council meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**612/14** Moved by M. Gressler to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2014 Council Land Use Bylaw Meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**613/14** Moved by R. Moir to approve the minutes of the April 30, 2014 Council Ten-Year Capital Planning meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BUSINESS ARISING**

**Business Arising**

Birchwood Bridge Inspection

**614/14** Moved by Councillor A. Heinrich that the inspection of the Birchwood Bridge be put on hold until the process is communicated with the Birchwood Condo Board and a report brought back to Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**URGENT ITEMS**

**Urgent Items**

**615/14** Moved by M. Thompson that the regular Council meeting of May 20, 2014 proceed into 'in private' at 9:05 am for the purpose of discussing the Lauer Subdivision.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

M. Lulla arrived at the meeting at 9:14 am.

**616/14** Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council meeting of May 20, 2014 come out of 'in private' at 9:35 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**617/14** Moved by M. Thompson that Administration bring forward the Lauer Subdivision conditions at 11:00 am.

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

**OPPOSED:** A. Heinrich

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Thunder in the Valley**

John Mulligan attended the meeting to request financial assistance from the County for the repair of the track.

**618/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to add Thunder in the Valley request to the Joint Council meeting for discussion on June 9, 2014.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**619/14** Moved by R. Moir to receive John Mulligan's presentation for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**COMMUNITY  
SERVICES****Community Services****Breton and District Chamber of Commerce – BBQ Supper**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**620/14** Moved by A. Heinrich that Council support the request from Breton and District Chamber of Commerce on providing a cash donation to their July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 Celebration Fund Raiser Supper in the amount of \$500.00.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Moon Valley Cemetery**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**621/14** Moved by R. Moir that Council directs Administration to complete the application to gain ownership of the Moon Valley Cemetery Company located at NW 01-48-08-W5M, under section 20 of the *Cemeteries Act*.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Sunchild Stray Horse Program**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**622/14** Moved by S. Mahan that Council received the report for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Birchwood Playground Equipment Funding**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**623/14** Moved by A. Heinrich to table further discussion regarding playground equipment funding for Birchwood until the Committee has made their presentation to Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Appointment of Weed and Pest Inspectors for 2014**

Council reviewed the report presented.

- 624/14** Moved by A. Heinrich to appoint Lisa Rabel, Tara McGinn, Amariah Kathol, Chelsea Beaulieu and Taylor Hudinski as weed and pest inspectors for 2014 for Brazeau County under the *Alberta Weed Control Act* and the *Agricultural Pest Act*.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CORPORATE  
SERVICES****Corporate Services****Investment Summary as at April 30, 2014**

Council reviewed the report presented.

- 625/14** Moved by M. Gressler that the Investment Summary report be received for information as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Brazeau County Municipal Library Board Statement of Receipts and Disbursements**

Council reviewed the report presented.

- 626/14** Moved by K. Westerlund that the Library Board Statements be received for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 10:08 am and the meeting resumed at 10:20 am.

**Budget and Actuals Year 2014**

Council reviewed the report presented.

- 627/14** Moved by M. Gressler to receive the report for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Rural Communications Regional Collaboration Program Application**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**628/14** Moved by M. Gressler that Brazeau County jointly applies to the Regional Collaboration Program for the Rural Communications Project.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PUBLIC WORKS****Public Works and Infrastructure****2014/2015 Provincial Highway Resource Road and Bridge Priorities Submission**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**629/14** Moved by A. Heinrich to move SH Hwy 759 to the number one spot on the Provincial Highway Resource Road and Bridge Priorities Submission list.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**630/14** Moved by A. Heinrich that Administration schedule a meeting with Alberta Transportation to discuss the priorities submission list.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**631/14** Moved by M. Gressler to amend the 2014/2015 Provincial Highway Resource Road and Bridge Priorities and submit to the Minister of Transportation.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS****Delegations/Appointments****Alberta Historical Resources Foundation's Heritage Awards – Breton Museum**

Allan Goddard attended the Council meeting for a discussion regarding the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation's Heritage Awards.

**632/14** Moved by M. Thompson that Administration research past recipients of the Outstanding Achievement Award; pass that information on to Mr. Goddard and if he is agreeable to that, then possibly put his name forward and nominate him.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### Ratepayer Concerns

#### Allan Taylor's concerns –

- Communication towers – Lodgepole, Cynthia and back haul – what does back haul mean. *B. Christie responded that the fibre optics run to the back haul tower and it shoots a signal to the other two towers. The back haul tower is generally a tier one tower and the towers in Cynthia and Lodgepole will be tier two towers.*
- Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre – read in the paper that the County will be half owners – is that true and will any profit be half for the County. *Reeve P. Vos responded that we will assess that on an annual basis as we get their financial statements, but at this point in time there is enough financial burden to build the facility that there won't be any profits for a little while for sure.*
- Questions regarding MPC/SDAB board involvement and remuneration were answered by Reeve previously
- Modeste Campground – no concerns this past weekend
- Waste Management bin – leased and then removed, but the bin was not removed so I hope the County is only paying for it for six months

#### Don Herman's concerns –

- RR 63 south of Hwy. 39 – concerned with dust control, speed and maintenance of the road – requested to have the speed limit reduced to 50 km. *J. Evasiuk responded that there would need to be a land purchase to enable the County to do some of the road upgrading and we also discussed the possibility of getting Pembina Pipelines to contribute to intersection treatment. The process will be begin approximately June 5, 2014. M. Schoeninger indicated that the County would put counters out to measure the numbers, type and speed of the traffic to support a bylaw revision for the speed to accommodate that if needed.*

#### Gary Verhage concerns -

- Birchwood Resident – takes a long time to get a building/development permit or a business permit – sometimes it takes two months or more to get a building permit – golf club has been waiting quite a while now.
- Bridge Issue – someone in the community requested that the bridge be studied by an engineer, however the Board of Directors did not sanction it or ask for it. The *Condo Act* does stipulate that our infrastructure be engineered or studied every five years and that bridge was studied and approved in the fall of 2011.
- A 20 ft. trailer is being brought in for a residence and it has to be brought in through the back road, which is RR 55. Birchwood only has the one official access on Twp. 494; it's historic that any large units are brought in by that back road because of our narrow road structure. In the last year or two the ownership of that trail or back road can be used for emergency purposes, but the present owner has demanded that there be a toll of \$2,500 for anything that isn't emergent. So this 20 ft. trailer has to pay the toll to use that back road.

*J. Evasiuk responded that the access from the south was prepared by the County so the Condo Association could take over that road several years ago, but they chose not to do it at that time. We still have all the documents, but everything just sits there because nothing was done with it.*

**633/14** Moved by M. Gressler that Administration research it for September for consideration with the 10 Year plan for 2015.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Doreen Popadynetz concerns –

- Attending on behalf of Floyd Lauer/1595414 Alberta Ltd. to request that the Stop Work Order issued May 29, 2012 be lifted while construction on the subdivision takes place

**634/14** Moved by S. Mahan to receive the presentation for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**635/14** Moved by S. Mahan to add to the agenda as item 11 (d) a discussion regarding the request to have the Stop Work Order (File: 11S-028) lifted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Sue Fraser concerns –

- Twp. Rd. 481 between RR 50 and RR 50A – concerned with the condition of her road and indicated that one part of the road is almost washed out. *J. Evasiuk responded that when the road dries up the County will fix up the road and the County should be working on it within a couple of days. M. Schoeninger suggested that a couple of survey shots be taken to ensure that it is conducive to putting a culvert in.*

**Ideas on Senior Initiatives and Dust Control**

Heidi Swan attended the Council meeting to suggest that the County look at a couple of seniors' initiatives such as free dust control and a long term recognition for seniors. M. Schoeninger responded that Council-4 Policy provides for recognition and will forward a copy of the policy to Ms. Swan for information.

**636/14** Moved by K. Westerlund that Administration research the cost of dust control for seniors for the July 2, 2014 Council meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**PUBLIC WORKS  
AND  
INFRASTRUCTURE**

**Public Works and Infrastructure**

**Improvements to the Building Front Roof Drains to Eliminate Icing Issues in the Winter**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**637/14** Moved by M. Gressler to approve the completion of the improvements to eliminate the ice buildup in front of the Administration Building for a cost of \$44,340.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**638/14** Moved by R. Moir that the 2014 Annual Budget be amended to bring the funds from MSI and increasing the operating budget in Corporate Services for \$44,340.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**639/14** Moved by A. Heinrich that Administration prepare an application to Alberta Historical Resources Foundation's Heritage Awards 2014 for the school signs.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Estimates for Access to the North Portion of NW 36-49-09-W5M**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**640/14** Moved by S. Mahan to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS FOR  
LUNCH**

**641/14** Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council meeting of May 20, 2014 recess for lunch at 12:06 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CALL TO  
ORDER**

Reeve P. Vos called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

**PRESENT**

P. Vos, Reeve  
R. Moir, Councillor  
M. Thompson, Councillor  
M. Gressler, Councillor  
A. Heinrich, Councillor  
S. Mahan, Councillor  
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J. Evasiuk, Director of Infrastructure  
B. Christie, Director of Corporate Services

**OTHERS**

M. Lulla, Western Review

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT****Planning and Development****Municipal Planning Commission and Subdivision and Development Appeal Board  
Involvement on Planning Matters at Council Level**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**642/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to amend the Land Use Bylaw Review minutes to record Heather Anderson as a member at large for the Municipal Planning Commission.

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

**OPPOSED:** A. Heinrich

**CARRIED**

**643/14** Moved by R. Moir to receive the report for information and Administration will provide a response to the Chairpersons of MPC and SDAB.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Lydell Redistricting Application Open House and Public Hearing**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**644/14** Moved by M. Gressler to reschedule the public hearing from June 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am to July 15, 2014 at 10:00 am with the Open House tentatively scheduled for June 12, 2014 at Rocky Rapids Community Hall from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Bylaw 834-14 – Ave Peck**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**645/14** Moved by S. Mahan to give first reading to Bylaw 834-14 and to schedule a public hearing for July 2, 2014 at 10:00 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Lauer Subdivision**

**646/14** Moved by A. Heinrich that Administration forward a letter to the developer to complete the conditions as outlined.

**IN FAVOUR:** K. Westerlund  
R. Moir  
A. Heinrich  
M. Gressler  
M. Thompson

**OPPOSED:** S. Mahan  
P. Vos

**CARRIED**

**General Matters**

**iLegislate**

**647/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Lodgepole Community Clean-Up - Councillor Rita Moir**

Councillor R. Moir suggested that the community clean-up programs be conducted in all of the transfer sites. Councillor M. Gressler stated that his understanding was to conduct the program in Lodgepole and Violet Grove this year and next year it would be done in another couple of communities and so on to rotate the program throughout the County.

Administration is researching the program for a report to Council on July 15, 2014.

**Sports Park Parking Lot Maintenance**

Councillor K. Westerlund brought forward a concern regarding the sports park parking lot. Administration will keep working on the road to improve it.

**Deputy Reeve Term Discussion**

Council discussed the Deputy Reeve Term and no changes were made.

**Motion 511/14 – April 30, 2014<sup>th</sup> meeting**

**648/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to amend motion 511/14 in the April 30, 2014 Council meeting to read".....bring back to Council on May 6, 2014".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Dust Control Policy**

**649/14** Moved by K. Westerlund that Administration bring the dust control policies to Council on July 2, 2014.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**QUESTIONS FROM  
THE MEDIA**

**Questions from the Media**

No questions

**650/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to add the Divisional Meeting Feedback Summary of Results to the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CORRESPONDENCE  
ITEMS**

**Correspondence/Items for Information**

**Correspondence from the Minister of Alberta Culture requesting proclamation of September 26 – 28, 2014 as Alberta Culture Days.**

**651/14** Moved by R. Moir to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Correspondence from Andrew Kitching requesting Access Road Upgrade to NE 24-49-05-W5M**

**652/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to add the request for an access road upgrade for N 24-49-09-W5M to the road request list.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**653/14** Moved by M. Gressler to receive Don Herman's letter for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2014 Divisional Meeting Feedback Summary of Results**

**654/14** Moved by M. Gressler to receive for information and to post it on the website.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**COUNCILLOR  
REPORTS****Councillor Reports – April 30, 2014**

Reeve P. Vos reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Volunteer Appreciation Night
- Joint Town and County Council Meeting
- Drayton Valley, Lindale and Tomahawk REA Meeting
- Infrastructure Meeting
- AAMDC Zone Meeting
- Community Investment Plan Meeting
- 10-Year Capital Planning Meeting

Councillor Kara Westerlund reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting x 2
- Welcome Business – NO CHARGE
- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – NO CHARGE
- Economic Development Alberta Conference
- Joint Meeting with School Boards and Town
- Agriculture Service Board
- Infrastructure Education
- Land Use Bylaw Meeting x 2
- AAMDC Zone Meeting
- Community Investment Plan Reception
- 10-Year Capital Planning Meeting

Councillor Maryann Thompson reported that she attended:

- Infrastructure Discussion
- Land Use Bylaw Meeting x 2
- Pembina Zone Meeting
- 10-Year Capital Planning Meeting

Councillor Rita Moir reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting x 2
- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – NO CHARGE
- Economic Development Alberta Conference
- Joint Meeting with School Boards and Town
- Agriculture Service Board Meeting
- Infrastructure Meeting
- Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- Ag/Multiplex Agenda Planning Meeting with Town Council
- Ag/Multiplex Committee Meeting
- Land Use Bylaw Meeting x 2
- Municipal Government Act Revisions Workshop

- Divisional Meeting
- Community Investment Plan Reception
- 10-Year Capital Planning Meeting

Councillor Shirley Mahan reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting
- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting x 2
- Economic Development Alberta Conference
- Land Use Bylaw Meeting x 2
- Pembina Zone Meeting
- Capital Investment Plan
- 10-Year Capital Planning Meeting

Councillor Anthony Heinrich reported that he attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Ag/Multiplex Meeting
- DV Library Board Meeting
- NSWA Municipal Forum
- Breton Hall Fundraising Event
- Meeting with DV and Breton
- EPBRP Council AGM
- Breton Hall Fundraising Event
- Infrastructure Meeting
- Ag/Multiplex Pre Meeting
- Ag/Multiplex Meeting
- Land Use Bylaw Meeting x 2
- MGA Meeting in Peace River
- Pembina Zone Meeting
- Warburg Seed Plant Meeting
- Community Investment Meeting
- 10-Year Capital Planning Meeting

Councillor Marc Gressler reported that he attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Volunteer Dinner – NO CHARGE
- Drayton Valley Multi-cultural Dinner
- NSWA Municipal Forum
- Breton Community Hall Business Fundraiser – NO CHARGE
- Municipal and School Board Meeting
- NSWA Meeting
- Infrastructure Training
- Land Use Bylaw Meeting x 2
- AAMDC Regional Meeting
- Physician Recruitment Meeting
- Resident Concern Meeting – NO CHARGE

- Community Investment Plan
- 10-Year Capital Planning Meeting

**655/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the Councillor Reports as submitted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve P. Vos called for a break at 2:25 pm and the meeting resumed at 2:31 pm.

**REEVE'S REPORT**

**Reeve's Report**

Reeve P. Vos reported that she attended an Emergency Preparedness Workshop

**COMMITTEE  
REPORTS**

**Committee Reports**

**MPC Chairman's Report**

Councillor K. Westerlund provided a report regarding the Municipal Planning Commission.

**Drayton Valley Library Board**

Councillor A. Heinrich provided a report regarding the Drayton Valley Library Board.

**BioMile Community Engagement Committee**

Councillor A. Heinrich provided a report regarding the BioMile Community Engagement Committee.

**North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance**

Councillor M. Gressler provided a report regarding the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance.

**Breton & District Chamber of Commerce**

Councillor M. Thompson provided a report regarding the Breton Chamber of Commerce.

**Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee**

Councillor M. Gressler provided a report regarding the Community Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee.



**Aquatics Facility Fund Development Strategy Committee**

Councillor M. Gressler provided a report regarding the Aquatics Facility Feasibility Study Committee.

**656/14** Moved by M. Gressler that Administration set up an account for receipt of donated funds for the aquatics facility.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Council scheduled a financial education workshop for August 6, 2014 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm.

**657/14** Moved by S. Mahan to receive the Councillor Reports for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MEETING  
DATES****Meeting Dates****Headwaters Group Meeting June 11, 2014**

**658/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to approve Councillors M. Gressler and A. Heinrich's attendance at the Headwaters Group Meeting on June 11, 2014.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**659/14** Moved by R. Moir that the County provide and organize lunch for 12 – 15 people for the Headwaters Group Meeting on June 11, 2014 from 10:00 – 3:00 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**David Thompson Health Advisory Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Health Forum**

**660/14** Moved by K. Westerlund to approve Councillors R. Moir and M. Thompson to attend the David Thompson Health Advisory Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Health Forum on June 24, 2014 at Olds College, Olds, Alberta 4:30 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Meetings Attended Since May 6, 2014

661/14 Moved by M. Gressler to approve Reeve P. Vos' attendance at an Emergency Preparedness Course.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**IN PRIVATE SESSION**

In Private Session

662/14 Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of May 20, 2014 proceed into 'in private' at 3:00 pm for the purpose of discussing: Waiving Tax Penalty; Public Engagement Comments; Councillor Code of Ethics and Communication Pollicy.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

663/14 Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of May 20, 2014 come out of 'in private' at 3:16 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

664/14 Moved by M. Thompson to waive tax penalties on Roll #005192 until such time that the family is able to access funds for payment.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

665/14 Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council Meeting of May 20, 2014 adjourn at 3:17 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

  
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Reeve

  
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Chief Administrative Officer