

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN BRAZEAU COUNTY ON TUESDAY 2021 06 01

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve B. Guyon called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT

B. Guyon, Reeve
H. Swan, Councillor (by telephone)
D. Wiltse, Councillor
S. Wheale, Councillor
M. Gressler, Councillor
A. Heinrich, Councillor
K. Westerlund, Councillor
S. McKerry, Interim Chief Administrative Officer
T. Scharfl, Executive Assistant
R. Bijeau, Administrative Assistant
K. MacInnis, Corporate Communications Coordinator (by telephone)

ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Addition to and Adoption of Agenda

466/21-06-01

Moved by S. Wheale to approve the agenda with the following additions:

Moment of silence for the remains of 215 children found in Kamloops
- K. Westerlund

6. Delegations
9:15 a.m. Range Road 83 Resident Concerns
Correspondence from Karl Graetz
7. Planning and Development
c) Unsightly Premises Enforcement - S. Wheale
8. Public Works
f) Range Road 52 slides - A. Heinrich
g) RFP - for power - B. Guyon
13. General Matters
a) Letter to O'Chiese Sunchild and Small Boys - K. Westerlund
b) RCMP mental health - K. Westerlund
14. Correspondence
d) Lynn Oberle re: RMA

17. Closed Session
Personnel *FOIP 19*- A. Heinrich - after 9:15 a.m. delegation

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MOMENT OF
SILENCE**

Council observed a moment of silence in recognition of the remains of 215 children found in Kamloops B.C.

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

Adoption of Minutes

467/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021 Council meeting as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

Business Arising

Follow Up Action List

S. McKerry reviewed the status of the action items.

468/21-06-01 Moved by D. Wiltse to receive the Follow Up Action List for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**URGENT
ITEMS**

Urgent Items

None

DELEGATION

Range Road 83 Residents

Lori Toms asked what the update or plan to get pavement on Range Road 83 and why was the prep done last year if it is not being paved this year? They are suffering in dust.

Karl Graetz spoke to Range Road 83 safety concerns and asked when the County plans to address these? He asked does the County recognize the recreational area to the south and that when weather permits there is a large increase in traffic with trailers, heavy oilfield traffic making it is unsafe for travel. There is mud being tracked onto the road. He appreciates the road improvements but pavement is next step and asked when can we expect pavement? The dust control in May was not done fast enough.

Pete Calvert asked why bother with dust control? Why not keep that money for black top. He commented that he does not want dust control as calcium is not environmental friendly.

Graham Harper commented that the dust control ends at his place and he suffers. Council should keep residents informed of the plan for the road construction.

Linda Claypool reported that the dust covers the grass and the cattle are at risk of disease. On weekends there is increased traffic and dust and the risk of accidents is huge. There has already been 2 near misses because of the dust and pot holes.

469/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the information from the Range Road 83 delegation for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Closed Session

470/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 proceed into 'closed session' at 9:36 a.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a) Personnel *FOIP Section 19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

471/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 come out of 'closed session' at 9:58 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 9:58 a.m. to allow the public ample time to return and the meeting resumed at 10:08 a.m.

**PUBLIC
HEARING**

Bylaw 1076-21 to Rezone Lot 6A Block 1 Plan 982 0064 and Lots 8 & 9 Block 1 Plan 3504 KS within NW 31-47-09-W5M from Commercial to Hamlet Residential

472/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council meeting of June 1, 2021 proceed into public hearing at K. Westerlund for Bylaw 1076-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M. Martindale presented Bylaw 1076-21 for second and third reading.

Public Input - None

473/21-06-01 Moved by D. Wiltse that the regular Council meeting of June 1, 2021 come out of public hearing at 10:12 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

474/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to give second reading to Bylaw 1076-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

475/21-06-01 Moved by H. Swan to give third reading to Bylaw 1076-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

476/21-06-01 Moved by A. Heinrich to add to the agenda item 13. c) LARB and CARB discussion and item 8. h) Ten Year Road Plan and SB-90.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Closed Session

477/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 proceed into 'closed session' at 10:16 a.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a) Personnel *FOIP Section 19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

478/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 come out of 'closed session' at 10:59 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 10:59 a.m. to allow the public ample time to return and the meeting resumed at 11:06 a.m.

**PUBLIC INPUT
SESSION**

Public Input Session

Reeve B. Guyon opened the Public Input Session at 11:08 a.m.

Allan Taylor asked what was the result of mediation, is there a lawyer involved, and what is the cost of all this? He further asked about his question regarding caveats from the last meeting. He made reference to other counties that don't transfer the caveats at the time of subdivision. He spoke to dust on Range Road 83 and stated that just because of the upcoming election the wants are exceeding the needs of Council. Council should look at other roads like Range Road 52 by the Carnwood Hall, there is a safety issue with no signs. Council should fix something that is needed rather than what people want. The Moose Hill Bridge is another issue. Council has already set the budget, and he is concerned with where the money is coming from to add projects. Council should not be changing their minds due to an upcoming election. He further raised concerns with COVID and the public not being able to attend meetings.

Reeve B. Guyon closed the Public Input Session at 11:15 a.m.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Closed Session

479/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 proceed into 'closed session' at 11:16 a.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a) Personnel *FOIP Section 19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

480/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 come out of 'closed session' at 12:46 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 12:47 p.m. to allow the public ample time to return and the meeting resumed at 1:31 p.m.

481/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to bring back the organizational chart with any potential changes to the next council meeting June 15, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT**

Planning and Development

Adding Charges to Tax Roll #002087

P. Whaley presented costs from a court order to be added to tax roll #002087.

482/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to direct Administration, in accordance with the Court Order issued on March 9, 2021 and Section 553(1)(c) of the *Municipal Government Act*, that a charge of \$5,000.00 be added to the tax roll of the lands legally described as Plan 982 0064, Block 16, Lot 15A for the unpaid invoice for costs awarded by the Court of Queen's Bench in regard to the County's injunction application.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Unightly Premises Enforcement

S. Wheale raised the issue that she does not believe unsightly premises should be enforced on farmland for vehicles and equipment on the property, unless it is trash blowing around. She further pointed out that full quarters of land should be treated different than lots in hamlets and subdivisions.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Closed Session

483/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 proceed into 'closed session' at 1:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a) Third Party Personal Property *FOIP Section 17*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

484/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 come out of 'closed session' at 2:07 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 2:07 p.m. to allow the public ample time to return and the meeting resumed at 2:30 p.m.

485/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to bring back amendments to the nuisance Bylaw 751-11 as per Council discussion in closed session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works

Hamlet of Cynthia Lagoon Refurbishments Tender

L. Fischer presented the tender results for the Cynthia Lagoon Refurbishment project.

486/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to proceed with awarding the project to Parkway contingent upon:
1) stockpiling the clay material within the Hamlet of Cynthia on county owned lands; and
2) upon approval from Alberta Environment; and
3) provided the scope change results in a cost savings and direct Administration to bring back a report with the cost savings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rocky Rapids Pedestrian Bridge/Walking Path Upgrades

L. Fischer presented information and costs on the upgrades to the pedestrian bridge and walking path in Rocky Rapids.

487/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the Rocky Rapids Pedestrian Bridge/Walking Path Upgrades report for information.

IN FAVOUR

M. Gressler
K. Westerlund
B. Guyon
H. Swan

OPPOSED

A. Heinrich
S. Wheale
D. Wiltse

CARRIED

Range Road 73, Range Road 83 and Township Road 494 Paving Cost and Traffic Counts

L. Fischer presented the estimated cost of paving, traffic count information and potential funding sources for paving Range Road 73, 83 and Township Road 494.

488/21-06-01 Moved by D. Wiltse to add Range Road 83 to the 2021 fall budget discussions, for pavement in 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

489/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to add pavement for Range Road 73 from Twp 502 to HWY 624 and Township 494 from HWY 22 to Range Road 81 to the Ten Year Capital Road Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Violet Grove Lagoon Wetlands Solar System Costs

L. Fischer presented updated costs for the upgrades to the transformer and solar array at the Violet Grove Lagoon Wetlands Solar System.

490/21-06-01 Moved by D. Wiltse to receive for information the information on page 47 - 48 of the agenda regarding the Violet Grove lagoons wetlands costs.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich
B. Guyon
H. Swan
K. Westerlund
D. Wiltse
M. Gressler

OPPOSED

S. Wheale

CARRIED

2021 Household Hazardous Waste Roundup

L. Fischer presented a report on the recent household hazardous waste round up.

491/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler to receive the household hazardous waste round up report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Range Road 52 Slides

S. Wheale raised concerns with the slides on Range Road 52 south and the narrowness of the road causing accidents and farm equipment mobility safety issues. Farmers cannot use Range Road 52 and are forced to use the highways.

A. Heinrich wants the two slides completed now and is concerned that the scope of the project has been changed to experimental procedures. He does not believe the new ideas are a long-term solution and the project needs to be done right away.

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 4:23 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 4:34 p.m.

492/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler to direct Administration to get quotes for contractors to fix the slides on RR 52 north and south of Hwy 39, and Twp Road 494 by June 15, 2021.

IN FAVOUR

B. Guyon

H. Swan

K. Westerlund

M. Gressler

OPPOSED

D. Wiltse

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

CARRIED

Power Request for Proposal

B. Guyon requested the County go to a request for proposal for a power provider.

493/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler to direct Administration to go out for RFP on our power and solar retailers.

IN FAVOUR

H. Swan

B. Guyon

K. Westerlund

D. Wiltse

M. Gressler

OPPOSED

S. Wheale

A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Ten Year Plan

494/21-06-01

Moved by H. Swan to add paving Range Road 80 between 492 and Hwy 621 on the ten year road plan.

IN FAVOUR

H. Swan
B. Guyon
K. Westerlund
D. Wiltse
M. Gressler

OPPOSED

A. Heinrich
S. Wheale

CARRIED

SB-90 Discussion

H. Swan asked about SB-90 in The Ranch subdivision and the overall SB-90 program and requested that Administration send Council an update.

495/21-06-01

Moved by M. Gressler to receive the SB-90 discussion for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Services

Cemetery Interment Practices

L. Chambers presented options to work with applicants under the current Bylaw 947-17 wishing to open and close burials of cremated remains.

496/21-06-01

Moved by A. Heinrich to direct Administration to amend Bylaw 947-17 to allow residents to dig a hole for cremated remains, if Administration marks the site, the applicant signs a waiver, and follows provincial guidelines if applicable, with no associated fees and bring back to Council for all three readings.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich
S. Wheale
H. Swan
B. Guyon
D. Wiltse

OPPOSED

K. Westerlund
M. Gressler

CARRIED

Recreation and Parks Month Proclamation

L. Chambers presented a request from the Alberta Recreation and Parks Association for Council to proclaim June as Recreation and Parks month in Brazeau County.

497/21-06-01 Moved by H. Swan to proclaim June as Recreation and Parks month in Brazeau County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCE

Finance

Bylaw 1078-21 Printing of Ballots in Lots

C. Swap presented Bylaw 1078-21 to allow for the printing of ballots in lots for the 2021 Municipal Election.

498/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler to give first reading to Bylaw 1078-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

499/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to give second reading to Bylaw 1078-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

500/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to go to third reading for Bylaw 1078-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

501/21-06-01 Moved by D. Wiltse to give third reading to Bylaw 1078-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 1079-21 Designation of Voting Stations

C. Swap presented Bylaw 1079-21 to allow the Returning Officer to designate more than one voting station per division for the 2021 Municipal Election.

502/21-06-01 Moved by A. Heinrich to give first reading to Bylaw 1079-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

503/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to give second reading to Bylaw 1079-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

504/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to go to third reading for Bylaw 1079-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

505/21-06-01 Moved by D. Wiltse to give third reading to Bylaw 1079-21.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Special Ballots

C. Swap presented a request for a council resolution to approve the use of special ballots during the 2021 Municipal Election.

506/21-06-01 Moved by H. Swan to approve the use of special ballots during the 2021 Municipal Election for those who meet the criteria under the *Local Authorities Act* and that application for special ballot may be made by telephone, email or in person to the Returning Officer in the prescribed form.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GENERAL MATTERS

General Matters

Letter to O'Chiese, Sunchild and Small Boys

507/21-06-01 Moved to D. Wiltse send a letter of condolence to chief and band members of neighbouring Indigenous communities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RCMP Mental Health

508/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to direct Administration to send letter to the Province and appropriate ministers requesting help with the mental health crisis.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

LARB and CARB

509/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to receive item 13. c) for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

Correspondence/Items for Information

Alberta Transportation re: roadside mowing in Brazeau County

510/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to draft a letter to Alberta Transportation with regards to mowing on highways within Brazeau County and include the photos from Council members.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Village of Breton re: Support for the RCMP

511/21-06-01 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the correspondence from the Village of Breton for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ian and Catherine Bamsey re: Township Road 500A extension request

512/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to direct Administration to bring back information regarding the Bamsey Road request for June 15, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lynn Oberle re: RMA

513/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to receive the correspondence from Lynn Oberle for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COUNCILLOR
REPORTS**

Councillor Reports April 21, 2021

Reeve B. Guyon reported that he attended:

- ALUS
- Regular Council
- Budget
- Warburg Seed Cleaning Plant
- Regular Council
- Aquatic Speech and Ground Breaking
- Pembina Zone
- Meeting with Sunchild Chief and Administration
- Round Table with MLAs, Ministers West Economic Region
- Meeting with Chamber of Commerce and Premier

Councillor S. Wheale reported that she attended:

- Regular Council
- Final Budget
- Regular Council
- ASB
- Breton Library
- Pembina Zone, Chamber of Commerce meeting with Minister Switzer
- RCMP Meeting

Councillor A. Heinrich reported that he attended:

- **Hemp Subcommittee Meeting**
- **Council**
- **Budget Meeting**
- **MPC**
- **Council**
- **Virtual Call with Premier and Chamber of Commerce**

Councillor K. Westerlund reported that she attended:

- **Regular Council Meeting**
- **Final Budget Meeting**
- **Municipal Planning Commission**
- **Regular Council Meeting**
- **RCMP/JSG Meeting**
- **Minister Schweitzer Meeting**
- **Premier Kenney Meeting**

Councillor H. Swan reported that she attended:

- **Council Meeting**
- **Budget Meeting**
- **Council Meeting**
- **ASB Meeting**
- **Pembina Zone Meeting**
- **Minister Schweitzer Economic Recovery Meeting**
- **RCMP Meeting**
- **Premier Kenney Chamber of Commerce Meeting**

Councillor M. Gressler reported that he attended:

- **Council Meeting**
- **Final Budget**
- **MPC**
- **FCSS**
- **Council Meeting**
- **Pembina Zone RMA**
- **FCSS Subsidiary**

Councillor D. Wiltse reported that she attended:

- **Council Meeting**
- **Budget**
- **Chamber Zoom Meeting/Chamber Meeting at CETC**
- **Council Meeting**
- **ASB**
- **Pembina River Zone/Chamber Minister Switzer**
- **Chamber sub group meeting**
- **Premier Kenney Economic Recovery Plan**

514/21-06-01 Moved by M. Gressler to receive the Council reports for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

515/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to add under meeting dates a request
for a meeting with the RCMP.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

516/21-06-01 Moved by K. Westerlund to direct Administration to invite the RCMP
Superintendent to attend the next RCMP quarterly update meeting
with Council.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A. Heinrich left the meeting at 5:55 p.m. and returned at 6:01 p.m.

Reeve called for a break at 6:02 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 6:08 p.m.

517/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to close the administration building at 3:00 p.m.
on June 3, 2021 due to internet outage.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Closed Session

518/21-06-01 Moved by D. Wiltse that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021
proceed into 'closed session' at 6:14 p.m. for the purpose of
discussing:
Land FOIP Section 16 and 25

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

519/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021
come out of 'closed session' at 6:40 p.m.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 6:40 p.m. to allow the public ample time to return and
the meeting resumed at 6:43 p.m.

520/21-06-01 Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to follow direction
regarding the business opportunity as discussed in closed session.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

521/21-06-01

Moved by H. Swan that the regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2021 adjourn at 6:46 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve

Interim Chief Administrative Officer