

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN BRAZEAU COUNTY ON TUESDAY 2021 06 15

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve B. Guyon called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

PRESENT

B. Guyon, Reeve
H. Swan, Councillor
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

522/21-06-15

Moved by K. Westerlund to approve the agenda with the following additions:

6. Reclamation Presentation - B. Guyon
7. Planning and Development
 - d) Caveats and Land Titles - A. Heinrich
12. Finance
 - b) Brazeau County Energy Contract Process
 - c) Fortis Contract
 - d) Tax Notices - B. Guyon
13. General Matters
 - c) Recorded and live meetings
 - d) Coal Mining - A. Heinrich
14. Correspondence
 - b) Lynn Oberle re: minutes and rules
36. Closed Session
 - c) Request for Assistance *FOIP Section 18*
 - d) Land *FOIP 16 & 25*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



**DELEGATIONS/
APPOINTMENTS**

Delegations/Appointments

Reclamation Presentation

Council viewed a video regarding the RenuWell project the Taber area.

523/21-06-15 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the RenuWell presentation for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

Adoption of Minutes

524/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to approve the minutes of the Council meeting as amended to change the word "arrays" to "retailers" in motion 493/21-06-01.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS/
APPOINTMENTS**

Delegations/Appointments

Brian Senio Korte Consulting

Brian Senio provided an update on government relations including COVID, Alberta's Recovery Plan, Rural Healthcare, Lodgepole Crown Land, and RCMP Rural Police Action Committee.

525/21-06-15 Moved by S. Wheale to receive the presentation from Brian Senio for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

Business Arising

Follow Up Action List

S. McKerry reviewed the status of the action items.

526/21-06-15 Moved by H. Swan to receive the Follow Up Action List for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**URGENT
ITEMS**

Urgent Items

None

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT**

Planning and Development

Development Permit for Natural Resource (Gravel) Extraction (Cell B) and Processing & Stockpiling (Cell A) within Pt. NW 12-49-7-W5M

M. Martindale presented a development permit application on lands zoned direct control for Council's approval.

527/21-06-15 Moved by S. Wheale that the applicant Greg Hayduk be allowed to speak.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council asked questions of Mr. Hayduk regarding hours of operation for crushing, and public consultation; he would prefer 24 hours for crushing, with Sundays just for loading trucks.

528/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler change both permits (21D-031 and 21D-032) expiry dates to June 15, 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

529/21-06-15 Moved by D. Wiltse to table item 7. a) *Development Permit for Natural Resource (Gravel) Extraction (Cell B) and Processing & Stockpiling (Cell A) within Pt. NW 12-49-7-W5M* until later in the agenda.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 10:55 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 11:03 a.m.

**PUBLIC INPUT
SESSION**

Public Input Session

Reeve B. Guyon opened the Public Input Session at 11:03 a.m.

Allan Taylor brought to the attention of Council a letter from the Mayor of Town of Drayton Valley to the Premier regarding coal mining. He believes the letter is well thought out. He further asked why the RMA transmission and distribution program is only for municipalities and not ratepayers.

Lynn Oberle asked why Council allowed a gravel haul to go through the Hamlet of Buck Creek. He stated that Council should consider the wear and tear on roads when considering gravel extraction approvals.

Reeve B. Guyon closed the Public Input Session at 11:09 a.m.

Twin Ravines Subdivision Expiry Extension

C. Dyck presented a request for a one year extension of the conditional approval for the Twin Ravines Phase 1 subdivision.

530/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to approve an additional two year extension of the conditional approval for the Twin Ravines Phase 1 subdivision file 16S-008 to June 28, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lauer Industrial Subdivision Expiry Extension

C. Dyck presented a request for a one year extension of the conditional approval for the Lauer Industrial subdivision.

531/21-06-15 Moved by K. Westerlund to approve an additional two year extension of the conditional approval for the Lauer Industrial subdivision file 17S-001 to June 12, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Caveats and Land Titles

A. Heinrich brought up a concern with how caveats from original quarter sections are being carried over to subdivided parcels. He would like to see a request on circulation letters encouraging oil companies to remove unnecessary caveats on newly created parcels.

532/21-06-15 Moved by A. Heinrich to direct Administration to investigate an additional County service to possibly be able to remove caveats for landowners.

IN FAVOUR

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

OPPOSED

M. Gressler

CARRIED

M. Gressler left the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works

2021 Construction Projects

L. Fischer provided an update of the progress of 2020-2021 projects.

533/21-06-15 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the 2021 Construction Projects Update for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bamsey Road Request

L. Fischer provided information regarding the request to construction an extension of Township Road 500A.

M. Gressler returned to the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

534/21-06-15 Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to begin proceeding with the realignment of the road plan on Township Road 500A giving access to NE 1-50-9 W5M and find out how to keep the road to its current standard.

IN FAVOUR

- M. Gressler
- S. Wheale
- H. Swan
- B. Guyon
- K. Westerlund
- D. Wiltse

OPPOSED

- A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 12:07 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 12:56 p.m.

**CITIZEN
APPRECIATION
AWARDS**

Citizen Appreciation Awards

Councillor M. Gressler presented Delaney Ayyette with a citizen appreciation award for tidying up the County.

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT**

Planning and Development
Development Permit for Natural Resource (Gravel) Extraction (Cell B)
and Processing & Stockpiling (Cell A) within Pt. NW 12-49-7-W5M

L. Fischer presented options for additional conditions for the development permit.

535/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to add conditions 15 and 16 as presented to Appendices J and K of development permits 21D-031 proposing natural resource extraction (cell B) and 21D-032 proposing natural resource processing and stockpiling (cell A) on Pt NW 12-49-07-W5M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

536/21-06-15 Moved by A. Heinrich to amend clause 6 within development permits 21D-031 and 21D-032 to include: that when the CAO makes adjustments to the hours of operation he notifies Council first.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

H. Swan

B. Guyon

D. Wiltse

M. Gressler

OPPOSED

K. Westerlund

CARRIED

537/21-06-15 Moved by A. Heinrich to direct Administration to formulate a policy and bring back to Council for approval, on how changes to requests for hours of operation will be addressed for gravel pits.

S. Wheale offered a friendly amendment "and for all development permits under Direct Control"

A. Heinrich accepted the amendment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

538/21-06-15 Moved by A. Heinrich that development permits 21D-031 proposing natural resource extraction (cell B) and 21D-032 proposing natural resource processing and stockpiling (cell A) on Pt NW 12-49-07-W5M be approved subject to the conditions listed in Appendices J and K, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works

Range Road 65 Dust Control

L. Fischer provided the cost to dust control Range Road 65 from the end of the pavement to the Taverner Pit entrance.

539/21-06-15 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the RR 65 Dust Control report for information.

M. Gressler offered a friendly amendment to add "and the Cloke report."

K. Westerlund accepted the amendment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TWP 494, RR 52 N, RR 52 S Quotes for Slide Repairs

L. Fischer provided quotes from contractors to fix the road slides.

B. Guyon called for a break at 2:01 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 2:09 p.m.

540/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to approve Newforce Energy Services for doing Township Road 494 slide as listed on page 99 of the agenda.

H. Swan offered a friendly amendment "to inquire as to whether the Cynthia Lagoon fill could be used and would it be cheaper."

M. Gressler accepted the amendment.

IN FAVOUR

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

OPPOSED

A. Heinrich
S. Wheale

CARRIED

541/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to move ahead with County in-house crews on RR 52 north and south, with prices presented by Administration.

H. Swan offered a friendly amendment to add "with the French drain or weeping tile drainage, and to inquire if the Cynthia Lagoon fill could be used if possible."

M. Gressler accepted the amendment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

542/21-06-15 Moved by A. Heinrich to direct Administration to explore hiring additional equipment and/or crews to expedite the Range Road 81 project, if it provides cost or time savings and is operationally helpful to get other projects done, and report back to Council by email.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COMMUNITY
SERVICES**

Community Services

Cemetery Bylaw 1080-21

L. Chambers presented Cemetery Bylaw 1080-21 for all three readings.

543/21-06-15 Moved by S. Wheale to give first reading to Bylaw 1080-21.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

H. Swan

B. Guyon

OPPOSED

M. Gressler

D. Wiltse

K. Westerlund

CARRIED

544/21-06-15 Moved by A. Heinrich to give second reading to Bylaw 1080-21.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

H. Swan

B. Guyon

OPPOSED

M. Gressler

D. Wiltse

K. Westerlund

CARRIED

545/21-06-15

Moved by H. Swan to go to third reading of Bylaw 1080-21.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

H. Swan

B. Guyon

K. Westerlund

D. Wiltse

OPPOSED

M. Gressler

MOTION LOST (as unanimous consent required to proceed)

Reeve B. Guyon declared conflict of interest left the meeting at 2:57 p.m. Deputy Reeve S. Wheale assumed the chair.

Proposed Boat Launch at Willey West

L. Chambers presented updated information regarding the direction given to amend the Willey West Campground lease to include a boat launch and to investigate the possibility of a marina.

546/21-06-15

Moved by H. Swan to receive the boat launch at Willey West update report for information.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

H. Swan

K. Westerlund

D. Wiltse

OPPOSED

M. Gressler

CARRIED

Deputy Reeve S. Wheale called for a break at 3:03 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 3:09 p.m. with Reeve B. Guyon as chair.

FINANCE

Finance

Bank Reconciliation Statement as of May 31, 2021

547/21-06-15

Moved by H. Swan to receive the bank statement as of May 31, 2021 for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Brazeau County Energy Contract Process

C. Swap presented the County's current process for securing power contracts through the RMA.

548/21-06-15 Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the Brazeau Energy Contract process report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

549/21-06-15 Moved by H. Swan to direct Administration to write a letter to the RMA requesting clarification if their energy program is available for residents.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fortis Clarification

C. Swap requested a motion from Council to proceed with the \$68.00 monthly charge for Fortis with a 12 year contract.

550/21-06-15 Moved by H. Swan to direct Administration to proceed with the contract with Fortis for the \$68.00 monthly charge over 12 years.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich

H. Swan

B. Guyon

K. Westerlund

D. Wiltse

M. Gressler

OPPOSED

S. Wheale

CARRIED

551/21-06-15 Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to bring back a full page report on the solar power project costs at the Violet Grove Lagoon.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Tax Notices

552/21-06-15 Moved by D. Wiltse to direct Administration to design a more reader friendly template for tax notices separating out the three tax amounts and bring back for Council decision prior to next year's mail out.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**GENERAL
MATTERS**

General Matters

Selling Carbon Credits

C. Swap presented a report regarding the selling of carbon credits generated from the County's existing solar projects.

553/21-06-15 Moved by D. Wiltse to direct Administration to bring back the most beneficial revenues for selling carbon credits.

M. Gressler offered a friendly amendment "to include 2020."

D. Wiltse accepted the amendment.

IN FAVOUR

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

OPPOSED

S. Wheale
A. Heinrich

CARRIED

Recorded Live Meetings

K. Westerlund raised the idea of having council meetings recorded live and posted on YouTube.

554/21-06-15 Moved by K. Westerlund to direct Administration to explore what options are available to live record and video broadcast regular scheduled meetings for the July 20, 2021 meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 4:20 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 4:36 p.m.

Solar Revenues, Costs, Pros, and Cons

C. Swap presented a report on the County's solar programs.

555/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to receive for information the Solar Revenue Pros and Cons report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Coal Mining

A. Heinrich suggested Council show more concern around the coal mining issues.

556/21-06-15

Moved by A. Heinrich to direct Administration to craft a letter, similar to the letter the Town of Drayton Valley wrote, to the same addressees and make the letter available to Council for their information.

IN FAVOUR

A. Heinrich
B. Guyon
D. Wiltse
M. Gressler

OPPOSED

S. Wheale
H. Swan
K. Westerlund

CARRIED

557/21-06-15

Moved by H. Swan that Administration loop Brian Seino in on the proposed drafted letter on the coal issues.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

558/21-06-15

Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to develop a presentation on the cause and effect of green energy and coal industry in Alberta and, if available, book an expert to also present to Council at the July 20, 2021 meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORRESPONDENCE
ITEMS**

Correspondence/Items for Information

Smoky Lake County re: Canadian Heritage River designation

559/21-06-15

Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to send a letter under the Reeve's signature to Smoky Lake County regarding Council's decision regarding the Canadian Heritage River designation.

IN FAVOUR

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

OPPOSED

M. Gressler

CARRIED

Lynn Oberle re: minutes and rules

560/21-06-15

Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to add to the next agenda the *Municipal Affairs Guide to the Preparation of Minutes* and send it to resident Lynn Oberle.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Committee Reports

Agricultural Service Board Member's Report (ASB)

Councillor S. Wheale provided a report regarding the Agricultural Service Board

Municipal Planning Commission Member's Report (MPC)

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

Brazeau Seniors Foundation Report

Councillor M. Gressler provided a report regarding the Brazeau Seniors Foundation.

Drayton Valley Municipal Library Board

Councillor S. Wheale provided a report regarding the Drayton Valley Municipal Library Board.

Breton Municipal Library Board

Councillor S. Wheale provided a report regarding the Breton Municipal Library Board.

West Central Airshed Society

Councillor H. Swan provided a report regarding the West Central Airshed Society.

Yellowhead Regional Library Board

No report

Drayton Valley and District FCSS

No report

North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

No report

Eagle Point/Blue Rapids Parks Council (EPBR)

Councillor A. Heinrich provided a report regarding the EPBR Parks Council.

Pembina Area Synergy Group

No report

Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee

Councillor K. Westerlund provided a report regarding the Community Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee.

Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre (EPAC)

Councillor K. Westerlund provided a report regarding the Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre Committee.

RCMP Mental Health Committee

Councillor K. Westerlund provided a report regarding the RCMP Mental Health Committee.

Northern Mayors Group

No report

Breton and District Family Community Support Services (FCSS)

Councillor D. Wiltse provided a report regarding the Breton FCSS.

Alternative Land Use Service Partnership Advisory Committee (ALUS PAC)

Reeve B. Guyon provided a report regarding the ALUS committee.

Recreation Board

No report

Chamber of Commerce

Councillor D. Wiltse provided a report regarding the Chamber of Commerce.

Warburg Seed Cleaning Plant Board

Councillor B. Guyon provided a report regarding the Warburg Seed Cleaning Plant.

Hemp Report

Councillor A. Heinrich provided a report regarding Hemp.

561/21-06-15

Moved by M. Gressler to receive the Councillor Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEETING
DATES**

Meeting Dates

None

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Closed Session

562/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to add to the agenda 36. e) Council *FOIP Section 18*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

563/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council Meeting of June 15, 2021 proceed into 'closed session' at 5:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

- a) Personnel *FOIP Section 19*
- b) Land Acquisition *FOIP Section 17 & 25*
- c) Request for Assistance *FOIP Section 18*
- d) Land Search *FOIP Section 16 & 25*
- e) Council *FOIP Section 18*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

T. Thomson joined the closed session at 5:18 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Personnel *FOIP Section 19*.

T. Thomson left the closed session at 6:10 p.m.

L. Fischer and A. Saltesz joined the closed session at 6:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Land Acquisition *FOIP Section 17 & 25*.

L. Fischer and A. Saltesz left the closed session at 6:50 p.m.

S. Wheale left the closed session and the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

564/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council meeting of June 15, 2021 come out of 'closed session' at 7:38 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 7:38 p.m. to allow the public ample time to return and the meeting resumed at 7:40 p.m.

565/21-06-15 Moved by A. Heinrich to accept the Land Acquisition update for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

566/21-06-15 Moved by H. Swan to receive for information the request for assistance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

567/21-06-15 Moved by M. Gressler to direct Administration to proceed as directed in closed regarding the land search.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

568/21-06-15 Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council meeting of June 15, 2021 adjourn at 7:42 p.m.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve

Interim Chief Administrative Officer