

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN BRAZEAU COUNTY ON TUESDAY, 2021 09 07**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve B. Guyon called the meeting to order at 9:00 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  
J. Grainger, Customer Service/Administrative Assistant  
K. MacInnis, Corporate Communications Coordinator (by telephone)

**URGENT ADDITIONS AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Addition to and Adoption of Agenda**

Councillor H. Swan announced her intentions not to run for a second term of Council.

**765/21-09-07**

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

5. Delegations  
Frost Anniversary Presentation - Postponed  
Alberta Recycling Board - Postponed
7. Public Works  
e) Ditching - A. Heinrich
12. General Matters  
b) Community Coalition - S. Wheale
35. Closed Session  
b) Council Personnel *FOIP Section 16* - H. Swan

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADOPTION OF  
MINUTES**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**766/21-09-07** Moved by A. Heinrich to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2021 Regular Council meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**767/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2021 Special Council meeting as amended:

*Motion 751/21-08-09 - add Councillor name*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BUSINESS  
ARISING**

**Business Arising**

**Follow Up Action List**

S. McKerry reviewed the status of the action items.

**768/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan to receive the Follow Up Action List for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT**

**Planning and Development**

**Amendment of Section 6.5 within the Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 1088-21**

K. Sterling presented Bylaw 1088-21 for first reading with changes to Section 6.5 Natural Environment within the Municipal Development Plan and requesting a full review of PD-7 Environmental Reserve.

**769/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to give first reading to Bylaw 1088-21 proposing amendment to section 6.5 Natural Environment of the Brazeau County Municipal Development Plan, Bylaw 770-11, as shown on the attached Schedule A, and that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 1088-21 be scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on October 5, 2021.

S. Wheale offered a friendly amendment to include the recommended wording changes to Policy 78 as outlined on page 43 of the agenda:

*“Brazeau County shall require that lands dedicated as environmental reserve remain in their natural state, except where significant hazards arise that need to be mitigated, or where parks and active transportation trails are developed to provide regional trail systems or park sites.*

*Should parks and active transportation trails be developed within environmental reserve areas, they shall be developed to minimize their impact on natural environmental features, and to reduce potential hazards for park and/or trail users.”*

K. Westerlund accepted the amendment.

**IN FAVOUR**

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

**OPPOSED**

M. Gressler

**CARRIED**

**770/21-09-07**

Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to complete a full review of Policy PD-7 Environmental Reserve to ensure it is in alignment with municipal documents.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Public Works**

**Road Request Policy**

L. Fischer presented an update on PW-14 Miscellaneous Road Construction Requests Policy.

**771/21-09-07**

Moved by S. Wheale to receive the Road Request Policy for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Intersection Signage at Hwy 22/39 and Range Road 65**

L. Fischer presented information about installing signage at Range Road 65 and the intersection of Hwys 22 and 39.

**772/21-09-07**

Moved by A. Heinrich to direct Administration to contact Alberta Transportation and inquire about putting additional signs as discussed in their right-of-way.

**IN FAVOUR**

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

**OPPOSED**

S. Wheale

**CARRIED**

**Range Road 83 Dust Control and Grading Expenses**

L. Fischer presented information on the cost of maintenance activities on Range Road 83 since its upgrade in 2020.

**773/21-09-07** Moved by D. Wiltse to receive the Range Road 83 Dust Control report for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 9:33 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 9:39 a.m.

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Moon Valley Cemetery**

Colleen and Cecil Andersen made a presentation to Council regarding the Moon Valley Cemetery.

Presentation paused at 10:05 a.m. for a scheduled public hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Public Hearing**

**Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 1082-21 to Rezone Pt NW-29-49-7-W5M**

**774/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 proceed into public hearing for Bylaw 1082-21 at 10:05 a.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

M. Martindale presented Bylaw 1082-21 to rezone Pt NW-29-49-7-W5M from AG to AGH for Council's consideration of second and third readings.

Public Input – none

**775/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 come out of public hearing for Bylaw 1082-21 at 10:08 a.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Moon Valley Cemetery**

Colleen and Cecil Andersen continued with their presentation and asked for an operating agreement with the County.

Presentation paused at 10:19 a.m. for a scheduled public hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Public Hearing**

**Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 1085-21 to Rezone Pts NE, SE, SW 3-49-7-W5M**

**776/21-09-07** Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 proceed into public hearing for Bylaw 1085-21 at 10:19 a.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

C. Dyck presented Bylaw 1085-21 an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to rezone Pts NE, SE, SW 3-49-7-W5M.

Public Input – none

**777/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 come out of public hearing at 10:23 a.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Moon Valley Cemetery**

Discussion continued.

**778/21-09-07** Moved by D. Wiltse to direct Administration to bring back the cemetery bylaw with changes to collect fees and to somehow get the \$18,000.00 back to the society.

**IN FAVOUR**

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

**OPPOSED**

S. Wheale

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Rural Education Consortium**

Nancy Dodds, Amila Gammana, Victor Bujor and Tanya Harding made a presentation to Council regarding the Town of Drayton Valley's Rural Education Consortium Initiative.

**779/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale to accept the presentation on the Rural Education Consortium for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 11:02 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 11:08 a.m.

**PUBLIC INPUT  
SESSION**

**Public Input Session**

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

Les Huber commented that the County is going AWOL, and that many of the road projects have comebacks, fix ups or rebuilds. The road projects should have a 2 year guarantee. He has heard the County might be abandoning projects and that is not right. The County is wasting money for example: Greenwood Lake Road having to fix culverts, the road east of airport and Twp 474 washout. He suggested the County should expropriate land for road widening. He believes the engineering is going wrong and commented that the road grading has been terrible lately.

Allan Taylor commented that he watched a video of WEC announcement from Aug 31, and questioned the \$300 million dollar investment. He asked if there is any money on the table, who put it there, and how much money has each partner put down, where is the research, how can the County risk taxpayers dollars when no other groups has dedicated dollars. He questioned where the Fiscal facility would be located. He feels leasing of County owned lands should go to tender.

Garry Mastre wants Council to be aware of Fiscal Energy and the radiation in the area. He report that there is a high rate of cancer in the area and hauling contaminated soil is dangerous. His complained about the new product on his road that it is rough and slimy when wet.

Reeve B. Guyon closed the Public Input Session at 11:27 a.m.

**780/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan to move item 13. d) forward on the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Ian and Catherine Bamsey re: Property Access**

Ian and Catherine Bamsey read their submitted letter to Council regarding legal and physical access to their lands. They are proposing to build a private driveway access on the right-of-way.

**781/21-09-07** Moved by M. Gressler to direct Administration to enter into an agreement under policy to allow the Bamseys to build a 350m road at the County's minimum standard on Twp 500A leading onto their land.

S. Wheale friendly amendment "and that the Bamesys incur the costs of the road development."

M. Gressler accepted the amendment.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT**

**Planning and Development**

**Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 1082-21 to Rezone Pt NW-29-49-7-W5M**

**782/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to give second reading to Bylaw 1082-21.

**IN FAVOUR**

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

B. Guyon

K. Westerlund

D. Wiltse

M. Gressler

**OPPOSED**

H. Swan

**CARRIED**

**783/21-09-07** Moved by A. Heinrich to give third reading to Bylaw 1082-21.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 1085-21 to Rezone Pts NE, SE, SW 3-49-7-W5M**

**784/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to give second reading to Bylaw 1085-21 to rezone Pts NE, SE, SW 3-49-7-W5M from Agricultural/Agricultural Holdings to Recreation as shown on the attached Schedules A, B and C.

**IN FAVOUR**

A. Heinrich  
S. Wheale  
B. Guyon  
K. Westerlund  
D. Wiltse  
M. Gressler

**OPPOSED**

H. Swan

**CARRIED**

**785/21-09-07**

Moved by D. Wiltse to give third reading to Bylaw 1085-21 to rezone Pts NE, SE, SW 3-49-7-W5M from Agricultural/Agricultural Holdings to Recreation as shown on the attached Schedules A, B and C.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Public Works**

**2021 Construction Project Update**

L. Fischer presented an update report on 2021 construction projects.

**786/21-09-07**

Moved by M. Gressler to direct Administration to make sure during the 2022 budget discussion the concerns with the SB90 gravel and potential alternative solutions to access or obtain the gravel be discussed.

**IN FAVOUR**

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

**OPPOSED**

S. Wheale

**CARRIED**

**787/21-09-07**

Moved by H. Swan to receive the construction update for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Ditching**

S. McKerry gave a verbal update on the research of concerns with ditching. Administration requested Council forward residents' concerns so Administration may address them.



**788/21-09-07** Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the ditching report for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 12:02 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 12:45 p.m. with Deputy Reeve S. Wheale as chair.

Reeve B. Guyon joined the meeting at 12:52 p.m. and resumed the chair.

**AGRICULTURAL  
SERVICES**

**Agricultural Services**

**Grazing Lease Request**

N. Chambers presented a grazing lease application to Council.

**789/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale to approve a five-year grazing lease on County-owned land at SE 30-48-5-W5M, plus the undeveloped road allowance bordering the east side of the subject property with a condition that there are gates to allow accessibility to the road allowance.

**IN FAVOUR**

A. Heinrich  
S. Wheale  
B. Guyon  
K. Westerlund  
D. Wiltse  
M. Gressler

**OPPOSED**

H. Swan

**CARRIED**

**RESCINDED SEE MOTION 808/21-09-07**

**COMMUNITY  
SERVICES**

**Community Services**

**North Saskatchewan River Safety Signage**

L. Chambers presented an update on posting safety signage along the North Saskatchewan River as a warning to users.

**790/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to accept the update on North Saskatchewan River safety signage for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**FIN-7 Lindale Hall Event Request**

L. Chambers presented information on a FIN-7 event funding application from the Lindale Community Hall Association.

**791/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale to approve \$1000.00 support to the Lindale Community Hall Association for their fall dinner tentatively planned for September 25 or October 2, 2021 from FIN-7.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**FINANCE**

**Finance**

**Asset Management Update**

C. Swap presented a Request for Decision regarding asset management.

**792/21-09-07** Moved by D. Wiltse to direct Administration to undertake a detailed condition assessment on Brazeau County non-road assets, contingent on the deadline extension of the Municipal Asset Management Program Grant.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Equipment Reserve Five-Year Summary**

C. Swap presented an update report showing the five-year history of the Equipment Replacement Reserve.

**793/21-09-07** Moved by D. Wiltse to revert back to FIN-4.  
**TABLED**

**794/21-09-07** Moved by M. Gressler to table motion 793/21-09-07 to the 2022 Budget Discussions.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Investment Trading Resolution**

C. Swap presented a Request for Decision for an investment trading resolution for CIBC Woody Gundy.

**795/21-09-07** Moved by M. Gressler to approve the investment trading resolution found on page 122 of the agenda to meet the requirements of the County's investment firm.

**IN FAVOUR**

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

**OPPOSED**  
S. Wheale  
**CARRIED**

**GENERAL  
MATTERS**

**General Matters**

**RStar Mediation Resolution**

S. McKerry shared additional information about the RStar Mediation initiative.

**796/21-09-07** Moved by A. Heinrich to rescind motions 725/21-08-17 and 724/21-08-17 regarding RStar Mediation support.

**IN FAVOUR**

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

**OPPOSED**  
S. Wheale  
**CARRIED**

**Community Coalition**

S. Wheale gave an update on her work in the community regarding the consequences of the CT scanner at the hospital not being operational 24/7 and the proposed formation of a community coalition to lobby the province for this service.

**797/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan that Council support the investigation and creation of a community coalition on health.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CORRESPONDENCE  
ITEMS**

**Correspondence/Items for Information**

**Drayton Valley Health Foundation Annual Report**

**798/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan to receive the Drayton Valley Health Foundation report for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **Chamber of Commerce re: Board of Directors**

**799/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan to receive the letter from the Drayton Valley and District Chamber of Commerce for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **L. Oberle re: Fiscal Energy**

**800/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan to receive the letter and attachment from Lynn Oberle for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

### **Councillor Reports**

Reeve B. Guyon reported that he attended:

- Warburg Seed Cleaning Plant
- Regular Council x 2
- ALUS
- Meeting with Minister of Agriculture
- Pembina Zone Meeting
- Council Strategy Meeting and RMA Executive Meeting
- Coal Policy Committee Consulting

Councillor S. Wheale reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Council Strategy Meeting and RMA Executive Meeting
- Pembina Zone Meeting

Councillor A. Heinrich reported that he attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Council Strategy Meeting and RMA Executive Meeting
- MPC

Councillor K. Westerlund reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Rural Mental Health Crisis RCMP Committee Meeting - no charge
- Council Strategy Meeting and RMA Executive Meeting
- MPC

Councillor H. Swan reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Council Strategy Meeting and RMA Executive Meeting
- Pembina Zone Meeting

Councillor M. Gressler reported that he attended:

- Council Strategy Meeting
- Regular Council Meeting

Councillor D. Wiltse reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Council Strategy Meeting and RMA Executive Meeting
- Breton FCSS
- Pembina Zone Meeting

**801/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to accept the Councillor Reports for July 2021 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MEETING  
DATES**

**Meeting Dates**

**Proposed 2022 Interim Budget Discussion Dates**

C. Swap presented a Request for Decision for 2022 Interim Budget meeting dates.

**802/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to set November 17, 18, 19 and November 29 and 30, 2021 as 2022 Interim Budget meeting dates.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 1:52 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 1:58 p.m.

**CLOSED  
SESSION**

**Closed Session**

**803/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 proceed into 'closed session' at 1:59 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:  
a) Pih-To-Kwe Tender *FOIP Section 19*  
b) Council Personnel *FOIP Section 16*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon declared pecuniary interest to item 35. a) and left the closed session at 2:00 p.m.

L. Chambers joined the closed session at 2:02 p.m. for the purpose of discussion Pih-to-Kwe Tender *FOIP Section 19* and left the closed session at 2:39 p.m.

Reeve B. Guyon returned to the closed session at 2:40 p.m.

**804/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 come out of 'closed session' at 2:58 p.m.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 2:59 p.m. to allow the public ample time to return and the meeting resumed at 3:07 p.m.

Reeve B. Guyon declared pecuniary interest and left the meeting at 3:07 p.m. and Deputy S. Wheale assumed the chair.

**805/21-09-07** Moved by D. Wiltse to direct Administration to award the Pih-To-Kwe Tender as directed in closed.

**IN FAVOUR**

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

**OPPOSED**

M. Gressler

**CARRIED**

**806/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to receive the personnel discussion for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon returned to the meeting at 3:08 p.m. and resumed the chair.

**807/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale to put item 9. a) Grazing Lease Request back on the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Grazing Lease Request**

**808/21-09-07** Moved by K. Westerlund to rescind motion **789/21-09-07** due to new information regarding an existing leasing on the property.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**809/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale to add 35. c) Personnel Update *FOIP* Section 16 to the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**810/21-09-07** Moved by S. Wheale that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 proceed into 'closed session' at 3:18 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:  
c) Personnel Update *FOIP Section 16*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**811/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 come out of closed session at 3:29 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 3:29 p.m. to allow the public ample time to return and the meeting resumed at 3:34 p.m.

**812/21-09-07** Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the personnel update for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**813/21-09-07** Moved by H. Swan that the regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2021 adjourn at 3:39 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve

Interim Chief Administrative Officer