Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held March 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER  Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

PRESENT  Omer Moghrabi  Mayor
Lorin Tkachuk  Councillor / Deputy Mayor
Colette Borgun  Councillor
Darlene Beniuk  Councillor
George L’Heureux  Councillor
Jason Stedman  Councillor (Arrived at 10:29 a.m.)
Charlyn Moore  Councillor
Sterling Johnson  Councillor
Colin Cote  Councillor

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE  Shadia Amblie  Chief Administrative Officer
Dan Small  Assistant Chief Administrative Officer
Brian Shapka  Senior Manager, Public Works (in part)
Clayton Kittlitz  Senior Manager, Planning & Development (in part)
Jihad Moghrabi  Communications Coordinator (in part)
Heather Reid  Legislative Services Coordinator

REGRETS

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

19.281  Motion by Councillor L’Heureux to approve the March 26, 2019 Regular Council Meeting agenda as amended:
- Addition of Items:
  o 5.1 Canola Crisis (Discussion)
  o 7.11 Councillor Expense Reimbursement (Discussion)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1  March 11, 2019 – Special Council Meeting
3.2 March 12, 2019 – Regular Council Meeting

19.282 Motion by Councillor Borgun to adopt the March 11, 2019 Special Council Meeting and March 12, 2019 Regular Council Meeting minutes as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

URGENT MATTERS

5.1 Canola Crisis (Discussion)

19.283 Motion by Councillor L’Heureux to direct Administration to prepare a letter on behalf of Mayor and Council to the Prime Minister, Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Foreign Affairs regarding the ban of canola shipments into China.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

6.1 10:15 a.m. Northern Lights Library System (NLLS) (Briefing)

Ms. Julie Walker, Executive Director and Mr. Larry Tiedemann, Chairman, of the Northern Lights Library System presented to Council an update on NLLS activities and financial information and responded to questions.

Councillor Stedman arrived at 10:29 a.m.

6.1.1 Disposition of Delegation Business

19.284 Motion by Councillor Beniuk to thank Ms. Walker and Mr. Tiedemann from the Northern Lights Library System for the presentation to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 10:32 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 10:44 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance with the exception of Councillor Cote.
NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Councillor Reports (Discussion)

Councillor Cote returned to Chambers at 10:45 a.m.

Deputy Mayor Tkachuk provided an update on the following meetings he attended:
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
- Lakeland Interpretive Society Meeting
- Lac La Biche Golf Course Meeting
- Lac La Biche Chamber of Commerce Meeting

Councillor Stedman exited Chambers at 10:55 a.m. and returned at 10:56 a.m.

Councillor Cote provided an update on the following meetings he attended:
- Pow Wow Meetings
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
- Lakeland Industry and Community Association (LICA) meeting
- Metis Fest

19.285 Motion by Councillor Cote to direct Administration to follow up with Alberta Lake Management Society to confirm receipt of water testing data and reports for inclusion on the Society’s website, and further to direct Administration to provide an update to Council on the results of the follow up.

In Favour
- Deputy Mayor Tkachuk
- Councillor Beniuk
- Councillor Moore
- Councillor Johnson
- Councillor Cote

Opposed
- Mayor Moghrabi
- Councillor L’Heureux
- Councillor Borgun
- Councillor Stedman

CARRIED

Councillor Reports discussion continued after the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.2 11:00 a.m. Public Hearing for Municipal Reserve Lands

Mayor Moghrabi declared the public hearing open at 11:02 a.m.

Mayor Moghrabi asked the Chief Administrative Officer, whether or not the public hearing was advertised and notice was provided in accordance with the applicable legislation. Ms. Amblie advised that this was the case, and further noted there were no written submissions.
Mr. Shahid Mughal, Manager, Planning & Development and Ms. Sheera Bourassa, Planning & Development Officer, summarized the purpose for the hearing.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if the Applicant was present and wishing to speak to the encroachment agreement for Municipal Reserve Lands Lot 14MR, Block 3, Plan 8521644 in the Sentinel Industrial Park. The Applicant is Lac La Biche County. No additional comments were made.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if there was anyone present wishing to speak in support of the proposed encroachment agreement for Municipal Reserve Lands Lot 14MR, Block 3, Plan 8521644 in the Sentinel Industrial Park. No one came forward to speak in support.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if there was anyone present wishing to speak in opposition of the proposed encroachment agreement for Municipal Reserve Lands Lot 14MR, Block 3, Plan 8521644 in the Sentinel Industrial Park. No one came forward to speak in opposition.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if the Applicant wished to make any closing comments. There were no closing comments.

Mayor Moghrabi thanked the presenters for their comments, and declared the public hearing closed at 11:05 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Councillor Reports (Discussion) Continued

Councillor Johnson provided an update on the following meetings he attended:
- Buffalo Lake Meet and Greet
- ROABA Breakfast
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
- Canapux Meeting in Calgary

Councillor Moore provided an update on the following meetings she attended:
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
- Community Futures meeting

Councillor Stedman provided an update on the following meetings/events he attended:
- Health Board Alumni Hockey Game
- Lac La Biche Recruitment and Retention Meeting
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
- Student Open House preparation

Councillor Borgun provided an update on the following meetings/events she attended:
- Ecole Plamondon School Drama Presentation
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
- Greater North Foundation meeting
Councillor L’Heureux provided an update on the following meetings/events he attended:
 ROABA Breakfast on economic development
 Health Board Alumni Hockey Game
 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention

Councillor Beniuk provided an update on the following meetings/events she attended:
 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
 Greater North Foundation meeting

Mayor Moghrabi provided an update on the following meetings/events he attended:
 Conference call with Greater North Foundation
 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Convention
 Meeting with Regional Staff of Alberta Transportation
 Lac La Biche Vigil
 Discussions with Minister Anderson & Minister Hoffman
 Attending AUMA Municipal Caucus

19.286 Motion by Councillor Moore to accept the Councillor Reports discussion item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Rezoning Bylaw No. 19-007; Bourassa, Leo; Pt. SE-34-67-16-W4M; from Agricultural District (AG) to On-Site Estate Residential District 2 (OE2). (Request for Decision)

Ms. Sheera Bourassa, Planning & Development Officer, presented the Rezoning Bylaw No. 19-007; Bourassa, Leo; Pt. SE-34-67-16-W4M; from Agricultural District (AG) to On-Site Estate Residential District 2 (OE2) Request for Decision and responded to questions.

19.287 Motion by Councillor Stedman that Bylaw 19-007 be given first reading this 26th day of March, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 Main Street Revitalization Project Scope Change (Request for Decision)

Mr. Clayton Kittlitz, Senior Manager, Planning & Development, presented the Main Street Revitalization Project Scope Change Request for Decision and responded to questions.
19.288 Motion by Deputy Mayor Tkachuk to increase the 2019 Capital Budget by $29,000 with funding coming from Accumulated Surplus in support of attached scope change for the Main Street Revitalization Project.

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CARRIED

19.289 Motion by Deputy Mayor Tkachuk to defer this item and direct Administration to bring additional information to a future meeting of Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor L’Heureux exited Chambers at 12:03 p.m.

19.290 Motion by Councillor Cote to approve the use of contemporary lighting and street furniture for development of a design concept for the Main Street Revitalization Project.

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CARRIED

RECESS Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:05 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 12:15 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance with the exception of Councillor Cote.
PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

6.3 Public Input Session.

Mayor Moghrabi declared the public input session open at 12:15 p.m.

There was no one present for the public input session. The Mayor declared the Public Input Session closed at 12:17 p.m.

Councillor Cote returned to Chambers at 12:18 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

7.4 Statement of Revenues & Expenditures for the Period Ended February 28, 2019 (Request for Decision)

Mr. Dan Small, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, presented the Statement of Revenues & Expenditures for the Period Ended February 28, 2019 Request for Decision and responded to questions.

19.291 Motion by Councillor Beniuk that County Council accepts the Lac La Biche County (unaudited) Statement of Revenues & Expenditures for the Period ended February 28, 2019, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:38 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:21 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

7.5 Landfill and Transfer Station Days and Hours of Operation (Briefing)

Ms. Molly Fyten, Manager, Environmental Services, presented the Landfill and Transfer Station Days and Hours of Operation Briefing and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Tkachuk exited Chambers at 1:53 p.m.

19.292 Motion by Councillor Borgun to accept the Landfill and Transfer Station Hours of Operation Briefing as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Motion by Councillor Johnson to direct Administration to bring forward for Council’s review an option for transfer station operations that include Sunday manned hours from 1 pm – 5 pm for Rich Lake, Craigend, Owl River and Hylo as well as options for the fenced walk-in areas located at the transfer stations to the April 9th Regular Meeting of Council.

In Favour
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Beniuk
Councillor L’Heureux
Councillor Borgun
Councillor Moore
Councillor Johnson

Opposed
Councillor Stedman
Councillor Cote

CARRIED

This motion was updated at the April 2, 2019 Regular Council Meeting as follows:

Motion by Mayor that the meeting date to discuss options for transfer station operations that include Sunday manned hours and fenced walk – in areas, as described in Resolution 19.293, be changed from April 9 to April 23, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Follow Up Action List Review (Request for Decision)

Ms. Mackenzie Girard, Executive Assistant, presented the Follow Up Action List Review Request for Decision and responded to questions.

Motion by Councillor Borgun that Council accepts the Follow Up Action List for the first quarter of 2019 as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CAO Quarterly Department Highlights (Briefing)

Ms. Amblie presented the CAO Quarterly Department Highlights Briefing and responded to questions.

Motion by Councillor Stedman to accept the CAO Quarterly Department Highlights Briefing as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lac La Biche Regional Attraction and Retention Committee (Request for Decision)
Ms. Girard presented the Lac La Biche Regional Attraction and Retention Committee Request for Decision and responded to questions.

19.296 Motion by Councillor Cote to appoint Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Stedman and Councillor Moore to the Lac La Biche Regional Attraction and Retention Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.9 Pow Wow Fireworks (Discussion)

Councillor Cote provided an update to Council on the Pow Wow Fireworks discussion item.

19.297 Motion by Councillor Johnson to provide $12,000 for a fireworks contractor for the 2019 Pow Wow Fireworks to be held on Saturday evening, July 13, 2019.

In Favour
Councillor Beniuk
Councillor L’Heureux
Councillor Borgun
Councillor Stedman
Councillor Johnson
Councillor Cote

Opposed
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Moore

CARRIED

7.10 Economic Development Initiative (Discussion)

19.298 Motion by Councillor Beniuk to move the Economic Development Initiative agenda item to Closed Session under s.16 FOIP.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.11 Councillor Expense Reimbursement (Discussion)

Mayor Moghrabi provided Council with an update on the Councillor Expense Reimbursement discussion item.

19.299 Motion by Councillor L’Heureux to approve the reimbursement of expenses for Councillor Johnson’s trip to Calgary related to Canapux and hemp processing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECESS  Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 2:32 p.m.

RECONVENE  Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 2:44 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

CLOSED SESSION

19.300  Motion by Councillor Borgun to go into closed session at 2:44 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.1  Lakeview Crescent Utilities and 99th Street Surface Rehabilitation Project (s.16 FOIP) (Request for Decision)

Deputy Mayor Tkachuk returned to Chambers at 3:00 p.m.

Councillor Moore exited Chambers at 3:02 p.m.

Member of the Public in Attendance for the purpose of presenting: Steven Reichert, Project Manager, V3 Companies of Canada Ltd.

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording:
Shadia Amblie, Dan Small, Clayton Kittlitz, Brian Shapka, Jana Rowe, and Heather Reid.

8.2  Fishing Regulations (s.27 FOIP) (Discussion)

Councillor Moore returned to Chambers at 3:17 p.m.

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording:
Shadia Amblie, Dan Small, Clayton Kittlitz, Jana Rowe, and Heather Reid.

8.3  Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement Project (s.16 FOIP) (Discussion)

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording:
Shadia Amblie, Dan Small, Clayton Kittlitz, Jana Rowe, and Heather Reid.

8.4  Economic Development Initiative (Discussion)

Councillor Stedman exited Chambers at 3:38 p.m. and returned to Chambers at 3:40 p.m.

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording:
Shadia Amblie, Dan Small, Clayton Kittlitz, Jana Rowe, and Heather Reid.
RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

19.301 Motion by Councillor Moore to proceed with the meeting in open session at 4:02 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

19.302 Motion by Councillor Moore to extend the March 26, 2019 Regular Council Meeting until all items on the agenda are addressed.

In Favour
- Mayor Moghrabi
- Deputy Mayor Tkachuk
- Councillor Beniuk
- Councillor Borgun
- Councillor Stedman
- Councillor Moore
- Councillor Johnson

Opposed
- Councillor Cote
- Councillor L’Heureux

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION

19.303 Motion by Councillor Moore to go into Closed Session at 4:03 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 Economic Development Initiative (Discussion)

Discussion continued…

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording:
- Shadia Amblie, Dan Small, Clayton Kittlitz, Jana Rowe, and Heather Reid.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

19.304 Motion by Councillor Borgun to proceed with the meeting in open session at 4:06 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF “CLOSED SESSION”
8.1 Lakeview Crescent Utilities and 99th Street Surface Rehabilitation Project (s.16 FOIP) (Request for Decision)

19.305 Motion by Councillor Cote that Lac La Biche County award the Lakeview Crescent Utilities and 99th Street Rehabilitation Project to Thompson Construction Group for a total of $3,778,509.55, and the budget for this project including contingencies and engineering be increased from $4,336,470 to $4,506,360 with the $170,000 increase in the project budget be re-allocated from reserves for natural gas supply line.

In Favour
Mayor Moghrabi
Deputy Mayor Tkachuk
Councillor Beniuk
Councillor L’Heureux
Councillor Borgun
Councillor Stedman
Councillor Moore
Councillor Cote

Opposed
Councillor Johnson

CARRIED

19.306 Motion by Councillor Stedman that Lac La Biche Council re-allocate $415,000 from reserves for High Pressure Transmission Gas Line to the 2019 Capital Budget for replacement of the natural gas system in Lakeview Crescent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Fishing Regulations (s.27 FOIP) (Discussion)

19.307 Motion by Deputy Mayor Tkachuk to direct Administration to schedule the delegation as discussed during Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement Project (s.16 FOIP) (Discussion)
19.308 Motion by Councillor Beniuk to accept the Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement Project update as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 Economic Development Initiative (Discussion)

19.309 Motion by Councillor L’Heureux to allocate $10,000 to proceed as discussed during Closed Session.

In Favour
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Beniuk
Councillor L’Heureux
Councillor Borgun
Councillor Johnson

Opposed
Deputy Mayor Tkachuk
Councillor Cote
Councillor Stedman
Councillor Moore

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

19.310 Motion by Councillor Cote to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of March 26, 2019 at 4:16 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

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Shadia Amblie
Chief Administrative Officer

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