

**LAC LA BICHE COUNTY
POLICY AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
LAC LA BICHE**

April 6, 2010 – 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF April 6, 2010 Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Policy and Priorities Committee meeting held on April 6, 2010.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Peter Kirylchuk called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT	Peter Kirylchuk	Mayor
	Phil Lane	Councillor
	Eugene Uganecz	Councillor
	Terry Colosimo	Councillor
	Heather Stromquist	Councillor
	Gordon Coutney	Councillor
	Cecilia Quist	Deputy Mayor/Councillor
	Duane Coleman	Chief Administrative Officer
	Rodney Boyko	Director, Corporate Services
	Maurice Brousseau	Director, Community Services
Lucien Cloutier	Manager, Legislative and Information Services	

ABSENT	Dave Lozinski	Councillor
	Greg Bochkarev	Councillor
	Barry Kolenosky	Director, Planning and Infrastructure Services

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA Council reviewed the agenda and made the following amendments:

Additions:

- 8.1 Mayor's Breakfast;
- 10.1 Councillor Absence.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA	10.016	Motion by Councillor Lane to approve the April 6, 2010 agenda as amended.
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES	3.1	Policy and Priorities Committee Meeting March 2, 2010
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Amend page 6 under Councillor Quist's report to state that the Government of Alberta is drafting the Lower Athabasca Regional Plan.

10.017 Motion by Councillor Stromquist to adopt the Policy and Priorities Committee Meeting minutes of March 2, 2010 as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS/
PUBLIC
HEARINGS**

5.1 Bill Persley, Portage College – Summer Hockey School;

Mayor Kirylchuk introduced the Council members and staff to the delegation.

Bill Persley, Portage College President, and Terry Ewasiuk, Head Coach of the Voyageur's Men's Hockey Team, were present to discuss a summer hockey school. Mr. Persely and Mr. Ewasiuk raised concerns with regards to the University of Alberta being able to continue to host a summer hockey school in Lac La Biche. Mr. Persely stated that he was of the understanding that the University of Alberta would not be hosting the hockey camp and further that Portage College had a verbal agreement with the County to host the exclusive summer hockey school in Lac La Biche.

Mr. Persely stated that he would like County Council to reconsider having the Portage hockey school as the only program offered in Lac La Biche.

Duane Coleman, Chief Administrative Officer stated that the County did make a verbal agreement with Portage College to host a summer hockey school. Mr. Coleman stated that he was of the understanding that the verbal agreement was not for an exclusive hockey school. Mr. Coleman noted that the County does not have a written agreement with either the University of Alberta or Portage College for a summer hockey school. Mr. Coleman stated that hockey parents have approached Administration regarding the continuation of the University of Alberta hockey school. Mr. Coleman noted that each program will be welcome to run a one week hockey school in Lac La Biche.

Mayor Kirylchuk thanked the delegation for their presentation.

5.2 Big Dock Committee – Lakefront Development Plan;

Mayor Kirylchuk introduced the Council members and staff to the delegation.

Aurel Langevin, Big Dock Committee Representative, Greg MacKenzie, Armin A. Preiksaitis and Associates Representative and David Brown, Eidos Consulting Representative, were present to provide Council with an update on the Lakefront Development Plan.

Mr. MacKenzie and Mr. Brown provided Council with an overview of the project and the draft options for the development and articulation of the vision for the lakefront in the Hamlet of Lac La Biche. This presentation is attached to and forming part of these minutes.

RECESS Mayor Kirylchuk called a recess at 2:35 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Kirylchuk reconvened the meeting at 2:45 p.m., with all those individuals previously listed in attendance.

**DELEGATIONS/
PUBLIC
HEARINGS**

5.2 Big Dock Committee (Cond't)

Mr. Langevin stated that this is a draft plan that will require input from County Council. Mr. Langevin noted that the next step in the plan would be to carry out stakeholder consultation.

Mayor Kirylchuk thanked the delegation for their presentation.

5.3 Comprehensive Regional Infrastructure Sustainability Plan (CRISP) –
Project Overview.

Mayor Kirylchuk introduced the Council members and staff to the delegation.

Heather Kennedy, Assistant Deputy Minister, Oil Sands Sustainable Development, Treasury Board, was present to provide Council with an update on the CRISP Project. Ms. Kennedy's presentation is attached to and forming part of these minutes.

Mayor Kirylchuk thanked Ms. Kennedy for her presentation.

RECESS Mayor Kirylchuk called a recess at 3:39 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Kirylchuk reconvened the meeting at 3:53 p.m., with all those individuals previously listed in attendance.

**CORPORATE
SERVICES**

7.1 Briefing – Councillor Remuneration and Expenses Policy;

A general discussion ensued regarding the proposed changes to the draft Councillor Remuneration and Expenses Policy.

Council requested changes to the policy with respect to:

- Amend Schedule ‘A’, activities numbered 23 and 24 to state that “this excludes the Mayor who is eligible to attend meetings with other government agencies as deemed appropriate by the Mayor to conduct County business and further this extends to the Deputy Mayor as directed by the Mayor”.

RECESS

Mayor Kirylchuk called a recess at 3:56 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Kirylchuk reconvened the meeting at 3:57 p.m., with all those individuals previously listed in attendance.

CORPORATE SERVICES

7.1 Briefing – Councillor Remuneration and Expenses Policy (cont’d);

Council continued with recommended changes:

- Ensure that the policy states that the annual honorarium is determined during the budget process,
- Amend the forms to allow half day per diem claims,
- Create a form that will separate and code the individual Councillor meal expenses in the event that a group meal is paid for by one Member of Council,
- Eliminate the provisions of a hosting account,
- Amend Section 6 (e) to eliminate the requirement of Councillors to receive prior authorization from Council for paying for meals of other elected officials,
- Amend Schedule ‘A’, activity number 20 to clarify the type of Council-Management meetings,
- Clarify Section 2 (b) regarding claiming one and half per diems.

10.018 Motion by Councillor Stromquist to accept this briefing as information and to bring the Councillor Remuneration and Expenses Policy forward to Council with the amendments.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Briefing – Capital Project Review – 2010;

10.019 Motion by Councillor Colosimo to accept this briefing as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 Briefing – 2009 Year-In-Review.

10.020 Motion by Councillor Lane to accept this briefing as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.1 Mayor's Breakfast.

A discussion ensued regarding hosting a Mayor's Breakfast.

PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

9.1 Briefing – Draft Policy PI-30-018 Roadside Mowing;

10.021 Motion by Councillor Uganecz to accept this briefing as information and to bring Policy PI-30-018 forward to Council as presented for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Briefing – Draft Policy PI-30-019 Lac La Biche Airport Operational Procedures Policy;

10.022 Motion by Councillor Lane to accept this briefing as information and to bring Policy PI-30-019 forward to Council as presented for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 Briefing – Draft Policy PI-61-008 Subdivision and Development Permit Approach Policy;

10.023 Motion by Councillor Quist to accept this briefing as information and to bring Policy PI-60-008 forward to Council as presented for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.4 Briefing – Draft Policy PI-61-009 Road Widening Policy for Subdivisions.

10.024 Motion by Councillor Lane to accept this briefing as information and to bring Policy PI-61-009 forward to Council as presented for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

10.1 Councillor Absence.

Councillor Colosimo advised Members of Council that he will be away for three weeks and therefore will be absent for two Council meetings.

- 10.025 Motion by Councillor Lane that Administration prepare a Request for Decision recommending that Councillor Colosimo's three week absence be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Quist

- Attended all meetings.
- Attended the AAMDC Spring Convention.
- Advised Council that the Lac La Biche Library Board is working on their service plan and to date have completed two focus groups. The Library Board will be holding a strategic vision and mission meeting on April 9, 2010.
- Has been requested by Northern Lights School Division to attend a strategic planning session on April 15, 2010.
- Noted that LARP and CRISP had been scheduled to address the Lac La Biche Chamber on April 15, 2010 but the meeting has been deferred to a later date.

Councillor Coutney

- Attended all meetings.
- Attended the AAMDC Spring Convention.

Councillor Stromquist

- Reminded Council that the Northeast Region is hosting the FCSSAA conference in Lac La Biche on April 16th & 17th, 2010. Invited Members of Council to attend the wine and cheese event during the evening of April 16th.
- Stated that the Lakeland DMO is holding its annual general meeting on April 22, 2010.
- Stated that there will be a volunteer appreciation luncheon held in the community on April 20, 2010.
- Noted that concerns have been raised at the Chamber of Commerce with regards to the STARS donation made by Lac La Biche County.
- Requested an update from Administration with regards to what has been done for Alberta Central Airways.

Duane Coleman, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that the County is working on an airport strategy which will get the operations of the airport back under the control of the municipality. Mr. Coleman noted that the County has spent approximately \$2.5 – 3 million on the airport to help make the Lac La Biche airport an airways hub.

Councillor Stromquist (cont'd)

- Noted that there is concern amongst Grade 4 and 5 students at Central Elementary that Big Jim's Recycling Centre is not accepting paper. Would like Administration to investigate this matter further.

Councillor Colosimo

- Congratulated Mr. Coleman on receiving 20 year service pin from AAMDC.
- Raised concerns with Administration regarding street sweeping as subdivisions are dusty.
- Raised concerns with Administration regarding the annual spring clean up being extended to some of the rural subdivisions.
- Concerned with the loitering in downtown Lac La Biche.

Councillor Uganecz

- Attended all meetings.

Councillor Lane

- Attended all required meetings.
- Received 9 year service pin from AAMDC.

Mayor Kirylchuk

- Has received concerns from the community regarding the County not having a ladder fire truck.
- Concerned with volunteer firefighters leaving the departments and not being replaced.
- Noted that Premier Stelmach will be in Lac La Biche on June 17th for a breakfast meeting. Stated that the meeting is tentatively scheduled to take place at the new LacAlta Lodge.

Councillor Quist left Council Chambers at 4:54 p.m. and did not return for the duration of the meeting.

Mayor Kirylchuk (cont'd)

- Attended the AAMDC Spring Convention. Congratulated Councillor Lane and Mr. Coleman on receiving their long service pins.
- Noted that the County received 94% approval of the resolution at the AAMDC Spring Convention with regards to amending the Alberta Capital Finance Board Act.

BOLD CENTER UPDATE

13.1 Fundraising Committee;

Jane Palmer, Fundraising Committee Coordinator, was present to provide Council with an update on the fundraising efforts for the Bold Center. Ms. Palmer stated

that to date \$2.04 million has been raised, all of which is from local donators. Ms. Palmer's presentation is attached to and forming part of these minutes.

13.2 Building Committee.

Duane Coleman, Chief Administrative Officer, advised all those present that the County has entered into the fixed price contract with Clark Builders.

**CAO'S
REPORT**

14.1 CAO's Report.

Nothing to report.

**REVIEW OF
CORRESPONDENCE**

15.1 Listing of Correspondence.

10.026 Motion by Councillor Coutney to accept the listing of correspondence as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**REVIEW OF
MINUTES –
BOARDS AND
COMMITTEES**

16.1 Lac La Biche County F.C.S.S. Advisory Board – February 8, 2010;

16.2 Greater North Foundation – February 12, 2010;

16.3 Lac La Biche County Library Board – February 17, 2010;

16.4 Northern Alberta Mayors' and Reeves' Caucus Meeting – February 19, 2010;

16.5 Northern Lights School Division – March 24, 2010.

10.027 Motion by Councillor Coutney to accept the boards and committees minutes as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FOLLOW-UP
ACTION LIST**

4.1 Follow-Up Action List.

10.028 Motion by Councillor Stromquist to accept the Follow-Up Action List as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DISPOSITION OF
DELEGATION
BUSINESS**

6.1 Portage College;

10.029 Motion by Councillor Coutney that Administration prepare a Request for Decision recommending that Lac La Biche County allow Portage College to exclusively offer a summer hockey school.

**In Favour
Councillor Coutney**

**Opposed
Mayor Kirylchuk
Councillor Lane
Councillor Uganecz
Councillor Colosimo
Councillor Stromquist**

DEFEATED

10.030 Motion by Councillor Colosimo that both the University of Alberta and Portage College operate summer hockey schools for the 2010 season.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Big Dock Committee;

10.031 Motion by Councillor Coutney that Council holds a strategic session to discuss the Lakefront Development Plan prior to hosting stakeholder consultation sessions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 CRISP.

10.032 Motion by Councillor Stromquist to send a letter of thanks to CRISP for their presentation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT 10.033 Motion by Councillor Uganecz to adjourn the Policy and Priorities Committee meeting of April 6, 2010 at 5:48 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Peter Kirylchuk, Mayor

**Duane L. Coleman, CLGM
Chief Administrative Officer**