

**LAC LA BICHE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
LAC LA BICHE**

January 13, 2009 – 3:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Council meeting held on
January 13, 2009 January 13, 2009.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Peter Kirylchuk called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT	Peter Kirylchuk	Mayor
	Phil Lane	Councillor
	Dave Lozinski	Councillor
	Greg Bochkarev	Councillor
	Eugene Uganez	Councillor
	Terry Colosimo	Councillor
	Heather Stromquist	Councillor
	Gordon Coutney	Councillor
	Cecilia Quist	Deputy Mayor/Councillor
	Duane Coleman	Chief Administrative Officer
	Barry Kolenosky	Director, Community Services
	Rodney Boyko	Director, Corporate Services
	Ed Mazurek	Director, Infrastructure Services
	Lucien Cloutier	County Clerk

ABSENT

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

Additions:

- 5.1 Delegation for the Multiplex;
- 5.4 Delegation for the Rich Lake Fire District;
- 9.2 Veteran’s Memorial Highway –Highway 36;
- 10.1 Letter of Support for the Multiplex – LLB Chamber of Commerce;
- 10.2 Letters of Concern – Multiplex;
- 10.3 Multiplex Borrowing Bylaw Petition.

Deletions:

- 5.1 Presentation to Don Benson

RECESS Mayor Kirylchuk called a recess at 3:34 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Kirylchuk reconvened the meeting at 3:35 p.m., with all individuals previously listed in attendance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA 09.001 Motion by Councillor Stromquist to approve the January 13, 2009 agenda as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES 3.1 Regular Council Meeting
December 23, 2008

Amend page 234 to indicate Councillor Coutney declared a conflict of interest because his sister-in-law is the applicant not his sister.

Amend page 238 to indicate Councillor Stromquist voted against the budget due to the proposed mill rate.

09.002 Motion by Councillor Uganecz to adopt the Regular Council Meeting minutes of December 23, 2008 as corrected.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS Mayor Kirylchuk called a recess at 3:40 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Kirylchuk reconvened the meeting at 3:45 p.m., with all individuals previously listed in attendance.

**DELEGATIONS/
PUBLIC
HEARINGS:**

5.1 Presentation to Don Benson;

This item was deleted from the agenda.

5.2 Public Hearing – Bylaw 08-073 – Rezoning – Lac La Biche County; RL 66, Lac La Biche Settlement from Institutional (I) to Direct Control (DC2);

Mayor Kirylchuk declared the public hearing open at 3:45 p.m.

Mayor Kirylchuk asked the County Clerk to confirm whether or not the public hearing was advertised and notice was provided in accordance with the applicable legislation. The County Clerk advised that this was the case.

The County Clerk summarized the purpose of the hearing.

Mayor Kirylchuk asked the County Clerk if any written submissions were received. The County Clerk advised that no written submissions were received.

Mayor Kirylchuk asked if there was anyone wishing to speak to the proposed bylaw.

Mr. Alex Broadbent is opposed to the proposed bylaw. Mr. Broadbent feels there should be further input by the public into future development.

Ms. Debra Lozinski is opposed to the proposed bylaw. Ms. Lozinski is of the opinion that expedience is not a rational reason for rezoning. Ms. Lozinski stated there will be no development permit process by rezoning the area to direct control. Ms. Lozinski indicated that the institutional zoning that already exists will allow for the multiplex to be built. Ms. Lozinski questioned why there was a need to rezone the area. Ms. Lozinski questioned if Lac La Biche County's current fire fighting capability would be capable to handle such a tall building. Ms. Lozinski expressed concern that future Councils would have full control of this site and that this would risk the public process.

Mr. Bill Abougoush is in favour to the proposed bylaw.

Mr. John Corbier is in favour to the proposed bylaw.

Mr. Albert Stratichuk is in favour to the proposed bylaw. Mr. Stratichuk commended Council on its futuristic vision for Lac La Biche. Mr. Stratichuk is of the opinion that the design of the multiplex is a well thought out plan. Mr. Stratichuk believes Lac La Biche is short of ice space and meeting halls and this multiplex is long overdue.

Mr. Roy Worthington is in favour to the proposed bylaw. Mr. Worthington is of the opinion that the rezoning is needed to get the multiplex. Mr. Worthington is a real estate agent in Lac La Biche and is often told by customers that besides the lake Lac La Biche has very little to offer.

Ms. Sue LaPierre is in favour of the proposed bylaw. Ms. LaPierre stated there is a constant struggle to get sufficient space for youth to do sports activities. Ms. LaPierre believes the multiplex will get the youth off the roads and give them a place to go in the cold winter months.

Mr. Bill Persley is in favour for the proposed bylaw. Mr. Persley believes the multiplex is a fantastic opportunity for this community. Mr. Persley stated he tries to attract new students, staff and hockey players to Portage College but finds it difficult due to the lack of good facilities in Lac La Biche. Mr. Persley is of the opinion that this is a good time to tender for construction.

Mayor Kirylchuk declared the public hearing closed at 4:10 p.m.

5.1 Delegation for the Multiplex;

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

Mr. Bill Abougoush is the President for the Lac La Biche Chamber of Commerce but spoke as a private individual and businessman and is of the opinion that the multiplex would be good for the community as a whole. Mr. Abougoush believes the multiplex will keep the youth active and out of trouble. Mr. Abougoush would like to see the community come together and see the multiplex project move forward.

Mr. Phil Kinnunen is a coach for minor sports and stated there are 1000 kids in minor sports playing in inadequate space. Mr. Kinnunen is of the opinion that our youth need better facilities and would like to see the multiplex project move forward.

Mr. Paul Reutov is in support of the multiplex as a resident, father and business owner. Mr. Reutov stated it is difficult for him to hire new staff because of the lack of facilities in Lac La Biche. Mr. Reutov is of the opinion that Lac La Biche lacks facilities that are needed by young families. Mr. Reutov would like to see the multiplex project move forward.

Ms. Carol Kunz is in support of the multiplex due to all the activities that will be held there and would like to see the multiplex project move forward.

Ms. Arlene Hrynyk the Vice-Chairman of the School Trustees for the Northern Lights School Division and Danny Smaiel are in support of the multiplex. Ms. Hrynyk is of the opinion that if the multiplex does not move forward with the schools attached it may take 15 to 20 years for new schools to be brought to this area. Mr. Smaiel encouraged supporters of the multiplex to voice their opinions and be heard. Mr. Smaiel stated the current facilities are not adequate for the students. Ms. Hrynyk and Mr. Smaiel would like to see the multiplex project move forward.

Mr. Esim Fayad is a teacher and coach of minor hockey and is in support of the multiplex. Mr. Fayad is of the opinion there is very little free ice time for minor hockey which means no hockey tournaments can be held in Lac La Biche. Mr. Fayad informed Council that Lac La Biche is in the top 10 for funding for hockey. Mr. Fayad would like to see the multiplex project move forward.

Mr. Randy Zevola is a coach for hockey and is of the opinion that the community is driving all over to only practice hockey for 45 minutes. Mr. Zevola stated there are only 2 handicapped parking stalls at the current arena and the parking is very tight. Mr. Zevola is in support of the multiplex.

Ms. Sue LaPierre is an instructor for the Lac La Biche Dance Society and feels that a safe space is needed for the kids to dance in. Ms. LaPierre informed Council there are 165 dancers and it is difficult to get dance instructors to come to Lac La Biche. Ms. LaPierre is in support of the multiplex.

Mayor Kirylchuk thanked all the delegations for their presentation.

RECESS

Mayor Kirylchuk called a recess at 4:55 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Kirylchuk reconvened the meeting at 5:04 p.m., with all individuals previously listed in attendance.

**DELEGATIONS/
PUBLIC
HEARINGS:**

5.4 Delegation for the Rich Lake Fire District;

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

Mr. Kevin Kaufman spoke to Council regarding the current condition of the Rich Lake Fire Hall and training of the volunteer firefighters. Mr. Kaufman would like to see the continuation of the Rich Lake Fire hall and see the fire hall get some needed maintenance.

The Mayor thanked the delegation for his presentation.

5.3 RMRF – Legal/Personnel (In Camera);

**IN CAMERA
SESSION**

09.003 Motion by Councillor Quist to go in camera at 5:26 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.3 RMRF – Legal/Personnel

Councillor Bochkarev left Council Chambers at 5:49 p.m.

Councillor Bochkarev returned to Council Chambers at 5:50 p.m.

Councillor Lane left Council Chambers at 6:07 p.m.

Councillor Lane returned to Council Chambers at 6:11 p.m.

Councillor Coutney left Council Chambers at 6:19 p.m.

Councillor Coutney returned to Council Chambers at 6:20 p.m.

**RETURN TO
REGULAR MEETING**

09.004 Motion by Councillor Uganecz to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 6:22 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS Mayor Kirylchuk called a recess at 6:22 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Kirylchuk reconvened the meeting at 6:28 p.m., with all individuals previously listed in attendance.

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT
OF "IN CAMERA SESSION"**

**DISPOSITION OF
DELEGATION
BUSINESS**

6.1 Delegation for the Multiplex;

09.005 Motion by Councillor Stromquist to place an ad in the Lac La Biche Post thanking the participants from the Friends of the Multiplex for their presentation to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Rich Lake Fire District;

09.006 Motion by Councillor Lozinski to send a letter of thanks to Kevin Kaufman for his presentation to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORPORATE
SERVICES**

7.1 RFD - Request for Waiver of Local Improvement Taxes;

09.007 Motion by Councillor Bochkarev that Lac La Biche County Council partially approve the request for waiver of local improvement taxes by waiving the current portion for 2009 of \$1,812.31 for roll # 400006382 and request the organization to reapply on an annual basis for exemption upon receipt of the annual tax notice.

09.008 Motion by Councillor Coutney to table motion # 09.007 on the floor.

In Favour
Mayor Kirylchuk
Councillor Lane
Councillor Lozinski
Councillor Bochkarev
Councillor Colosimo
Councillor Stromquist
Councillor Coutney
Councillor Quist

Opposed
Councillor Uganecz

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.1 RFD - Appointment of New Fire Chief for the Plamondon Fire Department;

09.009 Motion by Councillor Lane that County Council appoints Leo Bourassa as the Fire Chief for the Plamondon Fire Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

9.1 RFD - Appointment of Council Members to the Solid Waste Taskforce;

Councillor Stromquist nominated Councillor Uganecz. Councillor Uganecz accepted the nomination.

Councillor Coutney nominated Councillor Lane. Councillor Lane accepted the nomination.

Councillor Bochkarev nominated Councillor Lozinski. Councillor Lozinski accepted the nomination.

A secret ballot was held to nominate the members and the County Clerk read out the results of the secret ballot. Councillor Lane and Councillor Uganecz were elected.

09.010 Motion by Councillor Lane to destroy the ballots.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09.011 Motion by Councillor Quist that County Council appoints Councillor Lane and Councillor Uganecz to serve on the Solid Waste Taskforce.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Veteran's Memorial Highway –Highway 36;

Councillor Uganecz would like to see a 24 hour border crossing for Highway 36. Councillor Uganecz would like to see Secondary Highway 881 be moved to a primary highway.

**GENERAL
ADMIN**

10.1 Letter of Support for the Multiplex – LLB Chamber of Commerce;

Councillor Colosimo informed Council that a letter was put in the Lac La Biche Post by error from the Chamber of Commerce regarding the multiplex.

09.012 Motion by Councillor Lane to send a letter to the Lac La Biche and District Chamber of Commerce requesting a letter in support for the multiplex.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.2 Letters of Concern – Multiplex;

The Mayor advised that he had been provided with three letters from individuals who signed the multiplex borrowing bylaw petition. The letters expressed concern with the manner in which the names were collected.

09.013 Motion by Councillor Bochkarev to accept the letters as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.3 Multiplex Borrowing Bylaw Petition;

A discussion ensued regarding the pending multiplex borrowing bylaw petition.

09.014 Motion by Councillor Coutney for Administration to move forward with a vote of the elector to be held on March 2, 2009 subject to the petition being deemed sufficient by the Chief Administrative Officer.

In Favour Mayor Kirylchuk Councillor Lane Councillor Bochkarev Councillor Uganecz Councillor Colosimo Councillor Stromquist Councillor Coutney Councillor Quist	Opposed Councillor Lozinski
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CARRIED

BYLAWS

11.1 RFD - Bylaw # 09-003 – Adoption of the Lagoon Lake Area Structure Plan – Time Developments Ltd.; Pt. of the W ½ 23-68-14-W4M and Pt. of NW ¼ 14-68-14-W4M from AG to CR and NOS – 1st reading;

09.015 Motion by Councillor Stromquist that Bylaw 09-003 be given first reading this 13th day of January, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

09.016 Motion by Councillor Uganecz to adjourn the Regular Council meeting of January 13, 2009 at 7:15 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Peter Kirylchuk, Mayor

Duane L. Coleman, CLGM
Chief Administrative Officer