

**LAC LA BICHE COUNTY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
COUNTY CENTRE, LAC LA BICHE**

March 27, 2014 – 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Special Council Meeting held on March 27, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Langevin called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT	Aurel Langevin	Mayor
	Wanda Austin	Councillor
	Robert Richard	Councillor / Deputy Mayor
	Richard Olson	Councillor
	Tim Thompson	Councillor
	Hajar (Jerry) Haymour	Councillor
	John Nowak	Councillor (entered at 10:04 a.m.)

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Jeff Lawrence	Interim Chief Administrative Officer/ General Manager, Operations
	Gordon Frank	General Manager, Development & Community Services
	Shadia Amblie	Manager, Communications
	Joanne Onciul	Legislative Services Coordinator

REGRETS	MJ Siebold	Councillor
	David Phillips	Councillor

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

14.275 Motion by Councillor Austin to approve the March 27, 2014 Special Council Meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2014 Budget Deliberations.

Jeff Lawrence, Interim Chief Administrative Officer/General Manager, Operations provided the Briefing – Operational Budget Cuts to all those present. Discussion ensued regarding the same.

Councillor Nowak entered Council Chambers at 10:04 a.m.

3.1 2014 Budget Deliberations (continued).

Mr. Lawrence continued his presentation with the explanation of the principles followed for the budget cut exercise and provided an overview of the targeted cuts that have been achieved.

A detailed review of each department's cuts was reviewed, indicating the percentages cut from each department.

RECESS

Mayor Langevin called a recess at 11:00 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Langevin reconvened the meeting at 11:08 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2014 Budget Deliberations (continued).

Mr. Lawrence continued with his presentation.

Motion by Councillor Nowak to go in camera at 11:09 a.m.

Motion by Councillor Austin to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 11:54 a.m.

RECESS

Mayor Langevin called a recess at 11:54 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Langevin reconvened the meeting at 1:02 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2014 Budget Deliberations (continued).

Brian Shapka, Acting General Manager, Operations and Manager, Transportation, provided information regarding the reduction of the Snow and Ice Removal and Asphalt Repair budget items.

Discussion ensued regarding the same.

Discussion ensued regarding the Cost of Living Allowance (COLA).

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2014 Budget Deliberations (continued).

14.276 Motion by Councillor Nowak that Administration schedule Special Council Meetings for Budget Deliberations on Thursday, April 3, and Monday April 7, 2014 starting at 10:00 a.m., and further, that these meetings be held in Council Chambers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14.277 Motion by Mayor Langevin to direct Administration to lift the hiring freeze for summer students.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

14.278 Motion by Councillor Richard to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of March 27, 2104 at 1:53 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Aurel Langevin, Mayor

**Jeff Lawrence, B. Comm, MPA
Interim Chief Administrative Officer**