

**LAC LA BICHE COUNTY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
MCARTHUR PLACE, LAC LA BICHE**

**February 16, 2017 – 10 a.m.**

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Special Council Meeting held February 16, 2017 at 10 a.m.

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

<b>PRESENT</b>	Omer Moghrabi	Mayor
	Robert Richard	Councillor / Deputy Mayor
	Wanda Austin	Councillor
	Richard Olson	Councillor
	David Phillips	Councillor
	Tim Thompson	Councillor
	Hajar (Jerry) Haymour	Councillor
	John Nowak	Councillor (entered at 11:20 a.m.)

<b>STAFF IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Shadia Amblie	Chief Administrative Officer
	Darrell Lessmeister	Senior Manager, Recreation & Community Enhancement (in part)
	Brian Shapka	Senior Manager, Public Works (in part)
	Joanne Onciul	Legislative Services Coordinator

<b>REGRETS</b>	MJ Siebold	Councillor
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**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

17.156	Motion by Councillor Olson to approve the February 16, 2017 Special Council Meeting agenda as presented.
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**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### 3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget.

Mr. Brian Shapka, Senior Manager of Public Works, and Mr. Jon Skjersven, Water and Sewer Utilities Foreman, provided Council with an update regarding the 2017 proposed capital replacement projects.

Mr. Skjersven provided an overview of the proposed ranking exercise that would aid Lac La Biche County in prioritizing capital water and sewer replacement projects. Discussion ensued regarding same.

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 10:49 a.m. and returned at 10:52 a.m.

17.157 Motion by Councillor Haymour to accept the Public Works Update regarding upgrades to water and wastewater infrastructure as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Senior Manager, Recreation & Community Enhancement, and Mr. Gary Harman, Manager of Parks and Facilities, provided an update on the following capital projects for the Facility Operations and Parks and Open Spaces department:

- Bold Center Round-About Beautification – Bold Center front entrance.

Councillor Phillips left Council Chambers at 11:02 a.m.

Councillor Richard left Council Chambers at 11:02 a.m. and returned at 11:03 a.m.

Councillor Phillips returned to Council Chambers at 11:04 a.m.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### 3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget (continued).

Mr. Harman provided different options for the Bold Center Round-About Beautification.

Councillor Richard left Council Chambers at 11:13 a.m. and returned at 11:14 a.m.

3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget (continued).

17.158 Motion by Councillor Olson that Administration bring forward themes for the Bold Center Round-About.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Councillor Nowak entered Council Chambers at 11:20 a.m.

**RECESS**

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 11:20 a.m.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:31 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, with the exception of Councillors Richard and Haymour.

**NEW BUSINESS**

3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget (continued).

Mr. Lessmeister and Mr. Harman continued their update on the following capital projects for the Facility Operations, and Parks and Open Spaces department:

- Concrete Pad and Fencing for Garbage/Recycle Bins at Bold Center - 30 yard bins versus 6 yard bins

Councillor Haymour entered Council Chambers at 11:32 a.m.

- Secondary Emergency Operations Centre at Plamondon Festival Centre – update – \$25,000 for electrical changes (to allow for hook up of generator);
- Bold Center Sports Field Development – Concepts for Sports Fields;
- Alexander Hamilton Park Lighting – presented lighting options;

Councillor Richard returned to Council Chambers at 11:54 a.m.

- Lac La Biche Big Dock Replacement.

Mr. Zeeshan Hasan, Manager of Finance, provided Council with an updated version of the Summary Operating and Capital Budget for the 2017 Fiscal Year and a copy of the 2017 Operational Budget – Budget Variance Analysis. Council reviewed the same.

**RECESS** Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:25 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:45 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget (continued).

Mr. Hasan responded to questions of Council regarding the updated version of the Summary Operating and Capital Budget for the 2017 Fiscal Year and a copy of the 2017 Operational Budget – Budget Variance Analysis.

Discussion ensued regarding the repurposing of three vacant positions.

**IN CAMERA SESSION**

17.159 Motion by Councillor Austin to go in camera at 2:15 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget (s. 17 FOIP)

Councillors Nowak and Olson left Council Chambers at 2:28 p.m.

Councillors Nowak and Olson returned to Council Chambers at 2:30 p.m.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

17.160 Motion by Councillor Olson to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 2:36 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF IN CAMERA SESSION**

3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget (s. 17 FOIP)

No action required.

**NEW BUSINESS**

3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget (continued).

Mr. Hasan continued to field questions of Council regarding the updated version of the Summary Operating and Capital Budget for the 2017 Fiscal

Year and a copy of the 2017 Operational Budget – Budget Variance Analysis.

RFD – 2016 Financial Statement Assurance Requirements – Plamondon Senior Rendez-Vous Centre;

17.161 Motion by Councillor Olson that Lac La Biche County’s 2016 and 2017 financial statement assurance requirements for the Plamondon Senior Rendez-Vous Centre be reduced from an audit engagement to a review engagement.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

17.162 Motion by Councillor Nowak to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of February 16, 2017 at 3:05 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**Omer Moghrabi, Mayor**

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**Shadia Amblie  
Chief Administrative Officer**