

**LAC LA BICHE COUNTY
2013 BUDGET STRATEGIC SESSION
COUNTY CENTRE, LAC LA BICHE**

December 3, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Strategic Session held on December 3, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

PRESENT	Alvin Kumpula	Councillor (entered at 9:42 a.m.)
	Robert Richard	Councillor
	Guy Piquette	Councillor
	Eugene Uganecz	Councillor
	MJ Siebold	Councillor
	Tim Thompson	Councillor (entered at 9:42 a.m.)
	Gail Broadbent-Ludwig	Councillor / Deputy Mayor
	John Nowak	Councillor

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Roy Brideau	Chief Administrative Officer
	Shadia Amblie	General Manager, Communications & Community Services
	Melanie Kanarek	Senior Manager, Legislative Services
	Joanne Onciul	Legislative Services Coordinator

REGRETS Aurel Langevin Mayor

RECESS Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig called a recess at 9:34 a.m.

RECONVENE Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig reconvened the meeting at 9:42 a.m., with all those Council Members previously listed in attendance, including Councillor Kumpula and Councillor Thompson.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

SS.12.033 Motion by Councillor Siebold to approve the December 3, 2012 Strategic Session agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2013 Budget – Council & Administration Discussion.

Mr. Brideau provided all those present with an update regarding the 2013 budget process.

Discussion ensued regarding 2013 mill rates.

DELEGATIONS

4.1 Lac La Biche County Library Board;

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Nancy Broadbent and Maureen Penn were present to provide a recap of the 2012 library activities and 2013 planned initiatives.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked Ms. Broadbent and Ms. Penn for their presentation.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig called a recess at 10:15 a.m.

RECONVENE

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig reconvened the meeting at 10:20 a.m., with all those members previously listed in attendance.

DELEGATIONS

4.2 Plamondon District Community Development Society (PDCDS);

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Richard Mahe and Reuel Thomas were present to provide an overview of the PDCDS and the facilities operated by the Society.

Councillor Thompson left Council Chambers at 10:29 a.m.

Councillor Thompson returned to Council Chambers at 10:31 a.m.

The delegation updated Members of Council on the current status of the PDCDS. The delegation requested that Lac La Biche County allocate up to \$100,000 to conduct a study of the recreation and parks for the PDCDS Service area.

It was noted that the PDCDS is requesting an additional budget allotment of \$200,000, inclusive of the funding for the recreation and parks study.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked Mr. Mahe and Mr. Thomas for their presentation.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig called a recess at 11:07 p.m.

RECONVENE

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig reconvened the meeting at 11:17 p.m., with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, except Councillor Kumpula.

DELEGATIONS

4.3 Sorrentino's Compassion House;

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Christine and David Moseley were present to request financial support for Sorrentino's Compassion House.

Councillor Kumpula returned to Council Chambers at 11:19 a.m.

Ms. Moseley explained that Compassion House is a residence for women who are undergoing breast cancer treatments, and that the House is looking to expand. Ms. Moseley requested that Council consider contributing up to \$10,000 to Compassion House.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked Ms. & Mr. Moseley for their presentation.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2013 Budget – Council & Administration Discussion (continued).

Members of Council and Administration debriefed on the previous presentations. Discussion ensued.

Councillor Thompson left Council Chambers at 11:44 a.m.

Councillor Thompson returned to Council Chambers at 11:50 a.m.

It was noted that Council may wish to hold a Strategic Session to develop a policy that provides guidelines for donations to charitable organizations.

Councillor Uganecz left Council Chambers at 12:23 p.m.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig called a recess at 12:23 p.m.

RECONVENE

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig reconvened the meeting at 1:28 p.m., with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, including Councillor Uganecz, but excluding Councillor Kumpula.

DELEGATIONS

4.4 Lac La Biche Antique Society;

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Councillor Kumpula returned to Council Chambers at 1:29 p.m.

Brian Kumpula was present to provide an overview of the Antique Society's request for funding for the InterACTIVE Museum, as distributed.

It was noted that the Society is requesting \$30,000 from the County.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked Mr. Kumpula for his presentation.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2013 Budget – Council & Administration Discussion (continued).

Members of Council and Administration debriefed on the previous presentation. Discussion ensued.

DELEGATIONS

4.5 Program for Adult Learning;

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Kate Lottie, Virginia Hodgins and Kathy Lawson were present to request financial support for the Program for Adult Learning.

Discussion ensued regarding handout materials.

It was noted that the Program for Adult Learning is requesting \$12,000 to offset rent and a shared resource person. It was further noted that this \$12,000 is in addition to the \$15,000 already budgeted.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked the delegation for their presentation.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig called a recess at 2:23 p.m.

RECONVENE

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig reconvened the meeting at 2:30 p.m., with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

DELEGATIONS

4.6 Lac La Biche Pow Wow Association;

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Dave Phillips, Pow Wow President, was present to request continued support from County Council and presented Council with a grant application in the amount of \$50,000.

Mr. Phillips provided an overview of the Association's 2012 financials and the financial needs for the upcoming year.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked Mr. Phillips for his presentation.

Councillor Nowak left Council Chambers at 3:10 p.m. and did not return to the meeting.

Councillor Siebold left Council Chambers at 3:10 p.m.

A discussion ensued regarding the Pow Wow Association presentation and potential support for the Mud Bog weekend in Plamondon.

Councillor Siebold returned to Council Chambers at 3:14 p.m.

4.7 Portage College;

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Dr. Trent Keough and Lindsay Johnson were present to ask the County for support of both cash and in-kind contributions and partnership commitment. The College is asking for a three year County commitment of \$200,000 per annum (\$600,000), which the College will match.

Ms. Johnson provided an overview of the current partnership between Lac La Biche County and Portage College regarding water management training and to confirm that Phase I of this project is complete.

Dr. Keough provided an overview of Phase II, the construction of a reference testing laboratory.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked the delegation for their presentation.

DELEGATIONS

4.8 Men's Emergency Shelter (Lakeland Out of the Elements Shelter Society);

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Alice Thompson and Bernice Mecor provided an overview of the services provided by the Men's Emergency Shelter and requested the County's financial support in the amount of \$20,000. It was further requested that a building be provided by County if one would become available as the Shelter is currently located at the New Life Victory Church.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked the delegation for their presentation.

4.9 Lac La Biche Active Kids Society.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig welcomed the delegation to Council Chambers.

Jennifer Okrainec was present to provide an overview of the Lac La Biche Active Kids Society and to request the County's financial support and in-kind donations of labour and machinery to assist in the construction of a new playground.

Deputy Mayor Broadbent-Ludwig thanked Ms. Okrainec for her presentation.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 2013 Budget – Council & Administration Discussion (continued).

A discussion ensued regarding the Community Budget requests.

Councillor Uganez left Council Chambers at 4:50 p.m.

Councillor Uganez returned to Council Chambers at 4:53 p.m.

IN CAMERA

SS.12.034 Motion by Councillor Siebold to go in camera at 5:33 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.1 Community Budget Discussions.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

SS.12.035 Motion by Councillor Uganez to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 5:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF “IN CAMERA SESSION”

No Action Required.

ADJOURNMENT

SS.12.036 Motion by Councillor Uganez to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of December 3, 2012 at 5:47 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Aurel Langevin, Mayor

**J. Roy Brideau, CLGM, CMM
Chief Administrative Officer**