

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

**December 6, 2012 - 9:30 a.m.**

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Strategic Session held on December 6, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Langevin called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

<b>PRESENT</b>	Aurel Langevin	Mayor
	Alvin Kumpula	Councillor
	Robert Richard	Councillor
	Guy Piquette	Councillor
	Eugene Uganecz	Councillor
	MJ Siebold	Councillor
	Tim Thompson	Councillor
	Gail Broadbent-Ludwig	Councillor / Deputy Mayor
	John Nowak	Councillor

<b>STAFF IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Roy Brideau	Chief Administrative Officer
	Dan Small	General Manager, Corporate Services
	Shadia Amblie	General Manager, Communications & Community Services

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The December 6, 2012 Strategic Session – 2013 Capital Budget Meeting agenda was adopted as presented.

Mr. Brideau reviewed the budget process to date and thanked all staff for their hard work. Administration covered off all areas of the capital budget.

Concerns were expressed about the tight budget timelines. Council also expressed concern regarding the proposed borrowing.

It was noted that the mill rate sheet and comparables will be reviewed in March/April of 2013.

It was noted that the description of “Attractive Items” throughout the draft budget should be retitled as “Non-Capital Assets”.

Discussions ensued regarding:

- adjustment of the fire mill rate to offset fire expenses in both the capital and operating budgets;
- an update on the 911 dispatch process;
- fixing and maintaining assets rather than focusing on building new;
- the move toward a street light replacement program to improve sustainability;
- the research of potable water options for the Rich Lake area;
- the review of Blais Resort Drainage project;
- the removal of the force road on Range Road 154A from the 2013 budget;
- the production of a map to show bridge file locations for 2013;
- boat launch studies;
- the walking trail expansion which would join the Holowachuk Estates trail with the Young's Beach trail;
- revisiting the possibility of the Bold Center as an Archery location.

Mr. Brideau provided Council with a list of completed projects for 2012.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

SS.12.041 Motion by Councillor Uganecz to adjourn the Strategic Session–2013 Capital Budget Meeting of December 6, 2012 at 4:25 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**Aurel Langevin, Mayor**

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