

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

**July 6, 2021 10:00 a.m.**

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held July 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

<b>PRESENT</b>	Omer Moghrabi	Mayor
	Jason Stedman	Councillor/Deputy Mayor
	Sterling Johnson	Councillor
	Colette Borgun	Councillor
	Darlene Beniuk	Councillor
	Charlyn Moore	Councillor ( <i>Arrived at 10:09 a.m.</i> )
	Colin Cote	Councillor ( <i>Participated electronically</i> )
	Lorin Tkachuk	Councillor
	George L'Heureux	Councillor

<b>STAFF IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Ken Van Buul	Chief Administrative Officer
	Melanie McConnell	Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division
	Dan Small	Associate CAO, Finance and Planning Division ( <i>In part</i> )
	Darrell Lessmeister	Associate CAO, Recreation and Community Services Division ( <i>In part and participated in person and electronically</i> )
	Brian Shapka	Associate CAO, Infrastructure Services Division ( <i>In part</i> )
	Danielle Patenaude	Legislative Services Coordinator

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

21.502                    **MOVED**  
To adopt the July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended:

Deletion of Item:  
7.11-MNA-Temporary Homeless Camp Lease Agreement

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

21.503

MOVED

To adopt the following minutes as presented:

- Regular Council Meeting-June 22, 2021
- Special Council Meeting-June 24, 2021

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## URGENT MATTERS

*There were no Urgent Matter items.*

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*There were no Unfinished Business items.*

## NEW BUSINESS

### 7.1 Councillor Reports

Councillor Cote:

- AHS North Zone-Partnering on Recruitment and Retention
- Rural Crime Prevention Monthly Meeting

Councillor Beniuk:

- Alberta Seniors Communities & Housing Association (ASCHA)
- Alberta Counsel- Conflict of Interest and Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Moore joined the meeting at 10:09 am.

Councillor Beniuk (*continued*):

- Alberta Health Services Conversation
- Greater North Foundation Meeting-Budget Meeting

Councillor L'Heureux:

- Lac La Biche Regional Health Foundation Meeting

Councillor Borgun:

- Alberta Seniors Communities & Housing Association (ASCHA)
- Alberta Counsel-Conflict of Interest and Pecuniary Interest
- Agricultural Services Board (ASB)
- Lakeland Agricultural Regional Association (LARA)
- Special Council Meeting-June 24, 2021
- Healthier Communities Golf Tournament Meeting

Councillor Moore indicated that it's been a quiet week, but she participated in the following:

- Annual General Meeting (AGM)-Community Futures-Lac La Biche

Councillor Johnson:

- Athabasca Watershed Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Councillor Tkachuk:

- Lac La Biche County Golf Course Society Meeting
- Alberta Counsel-Conflict of Interest and Pecuniary Interest
- Alberta HUB Annual General Meeting (AGM)
- Special Council Meeting-June 24, 2021
- Alberta Health Services- Partnering in Health
- Rural Crime Prevention Monthly Meeting
- Healthier Communities Golf Tournament Meeting

Deputy Mayor Stedman indicated that most of the meetings have already been mentioned, and that he also participated in the following:

- Alberta Seniors Housing Association (ASHA)-Funding Program
- Alberta Counsel-Conflict of Interest and Pecuniary Interest
- Special Council Meeting-June 24, 2021
- Alberta Health Services (AHS) North zone Retention Recruitment
- Mayor & CAO-Agenda Review Meeting

Mayor Moghrabi indicated that most of the meetings have already been mentioned, and that he participated in the following:

- Alberta Seniors Housing Association (ASHA)-Funding Program
- July 1, 2021-Residential School Memorial Walk
- Residential School Children Recognition Game
- Hoping for Minister meeting regarding fishing regulations

21.504

MOVED

To accept the Councillor Reports item as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 7.2 Tangible Capital Assets Policies and Procedures

Mr. Dan Small, Associate CAO, Finance and Planning Division and Mr. Zeeshan Hasan, Manager, Finance co-presented the Tangible Capital Assets Policies and Procedures item and responded to questions.

Councillor Tkachuk exited Council Chambers at 10:36 a.m. and returned at the same time.

21.505            MOVED  
That Council Approve FIN-10-006 Tangible Capital Assets Policy as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.3      Rail Safety Improvement Program Update

Mr. Small and Mr. Carl Kurppa, Grants and Community Funding Coordinator co-presented the Rail Safety Improvement Program Update item and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Stedman exited Council Chambers at 10:57 a.m. and returned at 10:58 a.m.

21.506            MOVED  
That Council includes the following projects on the 2022 – 2032 Capital Plan as unfunded capital items:

- Plamondon – Caslan Connector railway crossing signals project (2022)
- Railway Crossing located adjacent to the Independent Grocery Store-105 Street, hamlet of Lac La Biche (2022)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.4      Follow Up Action List Quarter 2 2021 Report

Ms. Mackenzie Girard, CAO Executive Assistant presented the Follow Up Action List Quarter 2 2021 Report item and responded to questions.

21.507            MOVED  
That Council accept the Follow Up Action List Quarter 2 2021 Report as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.5      Chief Administrative Officer Quarter 2 Report

Mr. Ken Van Buul, Chief Administrative Officer presented the Chief Administrative Officer Quarter 2 Report and responded to questions.

21.508            MOVED  
That Council accept the Chief Administrative Officer Quarter 2 2021 Report as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.6 Residential School Acknowledgement-Potential Event  
(Discussion)

Mayor Moghrabi presented the Residential School Acknowledgement-Potential Event discussion item and responded to questions.

21.509 MOVED  
To work in collaboration with the Lac La Biche County Indigenous Collaboration Committee, neighbouring First Nations, Metis Settlements, and the Metis Nation Region 1 with respect to organizing a Residential School Acknowledgement event.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.7 Bridge File 13640 Contract Award-Tender-TR-32-2021-08

Mr. Brian Shapka, Associate CAO, Infrastructure Services Division presented the Bridge File 13640 Contract Award-Tender-TR-32-2021-08 item and responded to questions.

21.510 MOVED  
That Council approves the contract award of Bridge File 13640 Tender, TR-32-2021-08 to 1998372 Alberta Ltd. a/o Elite Site Services for \$669,400.00.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.8 Infrastructure Services- Manager Reports and Capital Projects Update

Mr. Shapka presented the Infrastructure Services- Manager Reports and Capital Projects Update item and responded to questions.

21.511 MOVED  
To accept the Infrastructure Services – Manager Reports and Capital Projects Update as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.9 Recreation and Community Services Division-Monthly Report

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Associate CAO, Recreation and Community Services Division presented the Recreation and Community Services Division-Monthly Report item and responded to questions. Mr. Gary Harman, Manager, Parks and Facilities was electronically available to respond to questions.

Deputy Mayor Stedman exited Council Chambers at 11:55 am.

Councillor Tkachuk exited Council Chambers at 12:02 p.m. and returned at the same time.

**RECESS** Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:08 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 12:14 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

**PUBLIC INPUT SESSION**

6.1 12:15 p.m. Public Input Session

21.512 **MOVED**  
To extend the Public Input Session time, for the July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, beyond the allocated 30 minutes.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Moghrabi opened the Public Input session at 12:15 p.m. and invited the registered speakers, and those in attendance, to present to Council on matters relevant to Lac La Biche County.

The following individuals presented to Council a variety of concerns to support their opposition to the Bayview Beach Water and Sewer Local Improvement plan while confirming the intent and support of the circulated petition.

- Mr. Wayne MacMillan
- Mr. Gunnar Lundgren
- Ms. Debbie Greer
- Ms. Martha Paulin spoke on behalf of herself and Lillian Iwaskow
- Mr. Lyle Shemonichek-*Presented electronically*
- Mr. Patrick Dwyer

Administration also checked the meeting overflow room (temporarily located in the McArthur Tea Room) to confirm if anyone else wanted to present to Council, there were no additional speakers.

21.513 **MOVED**  
To thank the following presenters for their presentation to Council during the Public Input Session:

- Mr. Wayne MacMillan
- Mr. Gunnar Lundgren
- Ms. Debbie Greer
- Ms. Martha Paulin
- Mr. Lyle Shemonichek
- Mr. Patrick Dwyer

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:45 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:47 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, excluding Deputy Mayor Stedman.

**NEW BUSINESS**

7.9 Recreation and Community Services Division-Monthly Report

Discussion continued on this item.

21.514 MOVED  
To accept the Recreation and Community Services  
Division – Monthly Report as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.10 Future Cemetery Concept Plans

Mr. Lessmeister and Mr. Harman (electronically) presented the Future Cemetery Concept Plans item and responded to questions.

21.515 MOVED  
That County Council approve the future cemetery concept  
plans as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.12 Law Enforcement Training Program Update

Mr. Lessmeister and Mr. Chris Clark, Manager, Enforcement Services (electronically) co-presented the Law Enforcement Training Program Update item and responded to questions.

Councillor Tkachuk exited Council Chambers at 2:26 p.m.

21.516 MOVED  
That Council accept the Law Enforcement Training  
Program Update item as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.13 Rescinding of the Temporary Face Coverings Policy ADM-12-001

Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division presented the Rescinding of the Temporary Face Coverings Policy ADM-12-001 item and responded to questions.

Councillor Tkachuk returned to Council Chambers at 2:32 p.m.

21.517 MOVED  
That the Temporary Face Coverings Policy, ADM-12-001,  
be rescinded.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.14 Bayview Beach Water and Sewer Local Improvement- Petition  
Update

Ms. McConnell and Ms. Heather Reid, Legislative Services Coordinator  
(electronically) co-presented the Bayview Beach Water and Sewer Local  
Improvement- Petition Update item and responded to questions.

21.518 MOVED  
To accept the Bayview Beach Water and Sewer Local  
Improvement – Petition Update and the Chief  
Administrative Officer’s declaration of petition  
insufficiency as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 2:44 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 2:49 p.m. with all those  
Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

Councillor Cote exited the meeting, due to technical issues, at 2:51 p.m.

**CLOSED SESSION**

21.519 MOVED  
To go into Closed Session at 2:50 p.m. for the following  
items and pertinent exceptions to the disclosure in Division  
2 of Part 1 of the *Freedom and Information and Protection  
of Privacy (FOIP) Act*:

- 8.1-Delegation-Aquatic Center Community  
Engagement Plan (s.24-Advice from officials-FOIP)
- 8.2-Legal Matter (s.27-Privileged information and s.24-  
Advice from officials-FOIP)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The following members of Administration were present during the Closed  
Session for presenting and recording purposes: Ken Van Buul, Melanie  
McConnell, Dan Small, Mackenzie Girard (electronically), Heather Reid  
(electronically), Gary Harman (electronically) and Danielle Patenaude.

8.2-Legal Matter (s.27-Privileged information and s.24-Advice from  
officials-FOIP)

Councillor Cote returned to the meeting at 2:56 p.m.

Mr. Jihad Moghrabi, Manager, Communications, entered Council Chambers at 2:58 p.m.

Mr. Kurppa entered Council Chambers at 2:59 p.m.

Ms. McConnell and Ms. Reid exited the meeting following the conclusion of Item 8.2.

The following individuals joined the Closed Session at the conclusion of Item 8.2: Mr. Michael Roma, Mr. Rob Parks, Mr. Jesse Meyer and Mr. Joel Mazurkewich.

### **RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

21.520            MOVED  
To proceed with the meeting in Open Session at 3:59 p.m.

### **EXTENSION OF MEETING**

21.521            MOVED  
To extend the July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting until all items on the agenda are addressed.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

21.522            MOVED  
To go into Closed Session at 4:00 p.m. for the following items and pertinent exception to the disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the *Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act*:

- 8.1-Delegation-Aquatic Center Community Engagement Plan (s.24-Advice from officials-FOIP)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.1-Delegation-Aquatic Center Community Engagement Plan (s.24-Advice from officials-FOIP)

Deputy Mayor Stedman returned to Council Chambers at 3:36 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Stedman exited Council Chambers at 3:38 p.m. and returned at 3:40 p.m.

Mr. Small exited Council Chambers at 3:58 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Stedman exited Council Chambers at 4:10 p.m. and did not return.

Councillor Moore exited Council Chambers at 4:11 p.m. and did not return.

Councillor Johnson exited Council Chambers at 4:12 p.m. and returned at 4:14 p.m.

#### **RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

21.523            MOVED  
                         To proceed with the meeting in Open Session at 4:17 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Moghrabi exited Council Chambers at 4:18 p.m. and Councillor Beniuk, Acting Mayor, assumed the position of Chair.

#### **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

8.1      Delegation-Aquatic Centre Community Engagement Plan (s.24-FOIP)

21.524            MOVED  
                         To thank the Delegation for their presentation to Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Moghrabi returned to Council Chambers at 4:21 p.m. and returned to the position of Chair.

21.525            MOVED  
                         That Lac La Biche County Council accept the Aquatic Center Community Engagement Plan as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.2      Legal Matter (s.27 and s.24- FOIP)

21.526            MOVED  
                         To accept the Legal Matter update as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

*There were no Notices of Motion presented*

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

21.527            MOVED  
                         To adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of July 6, 2021 at 4:21 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**Omer Moghrabi, Mayor**

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**Ken Van Buul  
Chief Administrative Officer**

ADOPTED