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

# February 2, 2021 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held February 2, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

In accordance with the Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation, Lac La Biche County Council held this meeting electronically.

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

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Darlene Beniuk Councillor/Deputy Mayor

Colette Borgun Councillor

Sterling Johnson Councillor (Participated electronically and

departed at 3:07 p.m.)

Jason Stedman Councillor

Charlyn Moore Councillor (Participated electronically)
Colin Cote Councillor (Participated electronically)
Lorin Tkachuk Councillor (Participated electronically)

George L'Heureux Councillor

**STAFF IN** 

**ATTENDANCE** Ken Van Buul Chief Administrative Officer

Dan Small Associate CAO, Finance and Planning

Division

Melanie McConnell Associate CAO, Corporate Services

Division

Darrell Lessmeister Associate CAO, Recreation and Community

Services Division (in part and participated

*electronically*)

Brian Shapka Associate CAO, Infrastructure Services

Division (in part & participated

*electronically*)

Mackenzie Girard CAO Executive Assistant (participated

*electronically*)

Danielle Patenaude Legislative Services Coordinator

# ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#### 21.072 MOVED

To approve the February 2, 2021 Regular Council Meeting agenda as amended:

- Addition of Item:
  - Urgent Matters:5.1- Clarification on Health Orders

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Council subsequently passed Motion #21.081 to add Intergovernmental Relations (s.21-Intergovernmental Relations-FOIP) as Closed Session Item 8.2.

# **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- 3.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes-January 26, 2021
- 21.073 MOVED

That Council adopts the January 26, 2021 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# **DELEGATIONS**

6.1 10:05 a.m. Distinguished Budget Award Presentation

Mr. Dan Small, Associate CAO, Finance and Planning Division informed Council that Lac La Biche County was awarded a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association for the 2020 Budget package.

Mayor Moghrabi presented the Distinguished Budget Award Presentation to Mr. Zeeshan Hasan, Manager, Finance.

6.2 10:15 a.m.-Delegation-TELUS-Pure Fibre Project

Mr. Brian Bettis, Manager, TELUS, presented electronically the TELUS PureFibre Community Update Project, and responded to questions.

- 6.2.1 Disposition of Delegation Business
- 21.074 MOVED

To thank Mr. Bettis for his presentation to Council.

#### **URGENT MATTERS**

5.1 Clarification on Health Orders -Addition to the Agenda

The item was added to the February 2, 2021 Regular Council Meeting agenda.

#### 21.075 MOVED

To direct Administration to draft a press release regarding the position of Lac La Biche County with respect to the provincial Health Orders, the press release should entail the following:

> Acknowledge that Mayor Moghrabi acted on his own accord, with respect to recent media attention pertaining to supporting small business during the COVID-19 health pandemic, and that his actions do not reflect the will of Council.

In Favour (3): Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor L'Heureux, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (6): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Councillor Stedman, and Councillor Tkachuk

**DEFEATED** 

**RECESS** Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 11:11 a.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:20 a.m. with all those

Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

6.3 11:30 a.m.-Public Hearing-Bylaw 21-001-Land Use Bylaw Rezoning from Agricultural District (AG) to Estate Small Lot Residential District 2 (ES2)

Mayor Moghrabi declared the Public Hearing open at 11:39 a.m.

Mayor Moghrabi asked Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO-Corporate Services Division whether or not the public hearing was advertised, and notice was provided in accordance, with the applicable legislation. Ms. McConnell advised that this was the case.

Mr. Kika Mukuninwa, Planning and Development summarized the purpose for the hearing.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if there were any written submissions or registered speakers in support of the proposed bylaw; there was one registered speaker, Mr. Corey Madill, who spoke in favour of the rezoning bylaw, and there were no written submissions.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if there were any written submissions or registered speakers in opposition of the proposed bylaw; there were none.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if the Applicant wished to make any closing comments. The Applicant did not make any closing comments.

Mayor Moghrabi thanked the presenters for their comments, and declared the Public Hearing closed at 11:43 a.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

7.2 Bylaw 21-001 Land Use Bylaw-Rezoning-Second and Third Reading

Mr. Kika Mukuninwa, Planning and Development Officer presented to Council Bylaw 21-001 Land Use Bylaw-Rezoning-Second and Third Reading item and responded to questions.

21.076 MOVED

That Bylaw 21-001 be given second reading this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

21.077 MOVED

That Bylaw 21-001 be given third reading this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# 7.1 Councillor Reports

# Councillor Tkachuk:

- Rural Crime Prevention Pilot Project Training
- Healthier Municipalities Golf Tournament Planning Meeting
- Portage College Athletics Association Annual General Meeting
- Lac La Biche and District Chamber of Commerce

#### Councillor Johnson:

- Alberta Environment and Parks-Fishing Regulations
- Athabasca Watershed Council

#### Councillor Cote:

- Healthy Waters
- Lac La Biche and District Chamber of Commerce
- Alberta Environment and Parks -Fishing Regulations

Councillor Moore didn't have any meetings to report but indicated she was busy responding to a variety of resident concerns.

# Deputy Mayor Beniuk:

• Alberta Environment and Parks-Fishing Regulations

# Councillor L'Heureux:

- Responded to a variety of resident concerns
- Alberta Beef Industry Conference
- Lac La Biche Regional Advocacy Association

# Councillor Borgun:

- Healthier Municipalities Golf Tournament Planning Meeting
- Municipal Planning Commission
- Alberta Environment and Parks-Fishing Regulations
- Responded to a variety of resident concerns

# Councillor Stedman:

- Alberta Environment and Parks -Fishing Regulations
- Municipal Planning Commission
- Water North Coalition

# Mayor Moghrabi:

• Alberta Environment and Parks -Fishing Regulations

# 21.078 MOVED

To accept the Councillor Reports item as information.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# 7.3 Council Correspondence-February

Ms. Mackenzie Girard, CAO Executive Assistant presented the Council Correspondence-February item and responded to questions.

# 21.079 MOVED

That Mayor and Council accept the Council Correspondence received as information.

# 7.4 Plamondon and District Museum Project Update

Mr. Carl Kurppa, Grants and Community Funding Coordinator presented to Council the Plamondon and District Museum Project Update and responded to questions.

21.080 MOVED

To allocate \$200,000 to reserves to support the Plamondon and District Museum as part of the construction of a new museum in the hamlet of Plamondon.

In Favour (3): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, and Councillor L'Heureux

Opposed (6): Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

**DEFEATED** 

#### PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

6.4 12:15 p.m.-Public Input Session

Individuals were asked to pre-register for the Public Input Session at legservices@laclabichecounty.com to be provided with the pertinent ZOOM information for electronic participation.

There were no registered speakers for the Public Input Session.

**RECESS** Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:20 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:25 p.m. with all those

Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

#### ADDITION TO THE AGENDA

21.081 MOVED

To add the following item to the February 2, 2021 Agenda:

• 8.2-Intergovernmental Relations Update (s.21-FOIP)

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

7.5 2021 Capital Grant Request-Plamondon Festival Centre

Mr. Kurppa presented the 2021 Capital Grant Request-Plamondon Festival Centre item and responded to questions.

#### 21.082 MOVED

That Council defer consideration of PDCDS's request for their project *Decommission Ground Loop System/Install Active Chiller System* until a more formal assessment of the project is completed by Administration for the March 9, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.6 2021 Grant Allocations-Capital Projects Assistance Grant

Mr. Kurppa presented the 2021 Grant Allocations-Capital Projects Assistance Grant item and responded to questions.

21.083 MOVED

To approve \$ 8,212, instead of the recommended amount of \$4,606, to the Lac La Biche Mission Historical Society for Fence Replacement.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21.084 MOVED

To allocate \$5,500 to the Hylo/Venice Recreation and Agricultural Society for the construction of a skate shack.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

21.085 MOVED

To allocate the 2021 Capital Projects Assistance Grant program according to Administration's recommendations.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.7 2021 Grant Allocations-Recreational-Cultural Operating Program

Mr. Kurppa presented the 2021 Grant Allocations-Recreational-Cultural Operating Program item and responded to questions.

21.086 MOVED

To allocate the 2021 Recreational/Cultural Program according to Administration's recommendations.

# 7.8 Economic Development Advisory Committee-Council Appointment

Ms. Jana Rowe, Economic Development Officer, electronically presented the Economic Development Advisory Committee-Council Appointment item and responded to questions.

The following Councillors were nominated: Councillor Tkachuk and Councillor Johnson.

A secret ballot vote was undertaken.

Mr. Ken Van Buul and Ms. McConnell counted the secret ballot votes and declared that Councillor Tkachuk was the selected candidate.

21.087 MOVED

To destroy the secret ballots.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

21.088 MOVED

That Council appoints Councillor Tkachuk as the representative on the Economic Development Advisory Committee.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# 7.9 Sports Tourism Working Group Terms of Reference

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Associate CAO-Recreation and Community Services Division and Ms. Staci Lattimer, Manager, Recreation & Culture (electronically) presented the Sports Tourism Working Group Terms of Reference item and responded to questions.

21.089 MOVED

That Council accepts the Sports Tourism Working Group Terms of Reference as presented and directs Administration to proceed with establishing a Sport Tourism Working Group.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# 7.10 Recreation and Community Services-January Report

Mr. Lessmeister presented the Recreation and Community Services-January Report item and responded to questions. 21.090 MOVED

That Mayor and Council accept the Recreation & Community Enhancement January 2021 monthly report as information.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.11 Public Works Manager's Reports and Capital Projects Update-February 2, 2021

Mr. Brian Shapka, Associate CAO-Infrastructure Services Division electronically presented the Public Works Manager's Reports and Capital Projects Update-February 2, 2021 item and responded to questions.

21.091 MOVED

To accept the Public Works – Manager Reports and Capital Projects Update as information.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.12 Bylaw 21-008, Waterworks Connection Bylaw 15-001-Amending Bylaw

Mr. Dan Small, Associate CAO-Finance and Planning Division presented the Bylaw 21-008, Waterworks Connection Bylaw 15-001-Amending Bylaw item and responded to questions.

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 2:53 p.m.

Councillor Johnson departed the meeting at 3:07 p.m. and did not return.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 3:03 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 7.12 Bylaw 21-008, Waterworks Connection Bylaw 15-001-Amending Bylaw (continued)
- 21.092 MOVED

To postpone this matter until Administration presents bylaws respecting:

- Extension of the mandatory connection timeline;
- Inspection and compliance exceptions relating to mandatory connections; and
- Financing options.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

21.093 MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 3:14 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:* 

- Municipal Government Act Amendments, Bill 48 (s.21-Intergovernmental Relations and s.27-Privileged Information-FOIP)
- Intergovernmental Relations Update (s.21-Intergovernmental Relations-FOIP)

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The following members of Administration was present during the Closed Session: Ken Van Buul, Melanie McConnell, Dan Small, Brian Shapka (electronically), Darrell Lessmeister (electronically), Heather Reid (electronically), Mackenzie Girard (electronically) and Danielle Patenaude.

8.1 Municipal Government Act Amendments, Bill 48 (s.21-Intergovernmental Relations and s.27-Privileged Information-FOIP)

Ms. Reid exited the Closed Session upon the conclusion of item 8.1.

8.2 Intergovernmental Relations Update (s.21-Intergovernmental Relations-FOIP)

# RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

21.094 MOVED

To proceed with the meeting in open session at 4:03 p.m.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

8.1 Municipal Government Act Amendments, Bill 48 (s.21 and s.27-FOIP)

21.095 MOVED

To accept the Municipal Government Act Amendments-Bill 48 as information.

8.2 Intergovernmental Relations (s.21-FOIP)-Addition to the Agenda

21.096 MOVED

To accept the Intergovernmental Relations item as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

# **ADJOURNMENT**

21.097 MOVED

To adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of February 2, 2021 at 4:07 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

**Ken Van Buul Chief Administrative Officer**