

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

June 3, 2025-10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held June 3, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Reutov called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Mayor Reutov delivered the Lac La Biche County Land Acknowledgement: We respectfully acknowledge the traditional and ancestral lands of the First Nations peoples of Treaty 6, Treaty 8, and Treaty 10 territories and the Homeland of the Metis People. Lac La Biche County continues to be home to Indigenous peoples since time immemorial, and we recognize the vital contributions of Indigenous culture, history and perspectives in our shared past, present and future.

PRESENT	Paul Reutov	Mayor
	Kevin Paré	Councillor
	Lorin Tkachuk	Councillor
	Charlyn Moore	Councillor
	Jason Stedman	Councillor/Deputy Mayor (<i>participated electronically</i>)
	Sterling Johnson	Councillor
	Colette Borgun	Councillor
	Darlene Beniuk	Councillor
REGRETS	John Mondal	Councillor
STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Manny Deol	Chief Administrative Officer
	Kashif Ijaz	GM, Strategy & Community Growth
	Ali Memon	GM, Infrastructure
	Gary Harman	GM, Recreation & Social Services
	John Kokotilo	GM, Protective Services
	Mackenzie Zilinski	Senior Executive Assistant
	Heather Reid	Lead Legislative Officer
	Danielle Patenaude	Legislative Officer
	Abigail Hilligas	Legislative Support Clerk

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

25.236

MOVED

To adopt the June 3, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended:

Addition of item:

- 9.3-Development Supply Matter (s.24 FOIP and s.16 FOIP)

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

25.237

MOVED

That the recommendations contained in the following report be approved:

- Item 4.1 - May 27, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

In Favour (7): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (1): Councillor Beniuk

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 May 27, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

25.237

To adopt the May 27, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

DELEGATIONS

7.1 10:15 a.m. Delegation- Lakeland Out of the Elements Shelter - Overview & Accomplishments

Ms. Lenora Lemay, Board, Chair and Ms. Lauren Odland, Executive Manager both presented the Lakeland Out of the Elements report and answered any questions.

The Lakeland Out of the Elements item was received as information.

NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Councillor Reports

Each member of Council presented their councillor reports and answered any questions.

Councillor Tkachuk exited Chambers at 10:36 a.m. and returned at 10:37 a.m.

8.2 Bylaw 25-011- Land Use Bylaw Rezoning - First Reading

Ms. Sheera Bourassa, Planning and Development Officer presented the Bylaw 25-011- Land Use Bylaw Rezoning - First Reading item and answered any questions.

25.238 MOVED

That Bylaw 25-011 be given first reading this 3rd day of June, 2025.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Capital Projects Report as of April 30, 2025

Mr. Ali Memon, General Manager, Infrastructure Services presented the Capital Projects Report as of April 30, 2025 and answered any questions.

This item was received as information.

RECESS

Mayor Reutov called a recess at 10:54 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 11:08 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

8.4 Council Expense Claims-April 2025

Mr. Kashif Ijaz, General Manager, Strategy & Community Growth presented the Council Expense Claims - April 2025 and answered any questions.

25.239

MOVED

That Council approves the Council expense claims processed for the period of April 30, 2025.

In Favour (7): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (1): Councillor Beniuk

CARRIED

8.5 Citizen of the Year Award Selection-Council Representation-Lac La Biche and District of Commerce

Ms. Mackenzie Zilinski, Senior Executive Assistant presented the Citizen of the Year Award Selection – Council Representation Request (via LLB & District Chamber of Commerce) item and answered any questions.

25.240

MOVED

That Council appoint Councillor Borgun to attend meetings as required with the Lac La Biche and District Chamber of Commerce to select the 2025 Citizen of the Year Award.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.6 Bylaw 25-012- Rescinding of Bylaws - Three Readings

Heather Reid, Lead Legislative Officer presented the Bylaw 25-012 - Repeal of Council Code of Conduct Bylaws and Housing Task Force Bylaw item and answered any questions.

25.241 MOVED

That the Council Code of Conduct Bylaws be held in abeyance pending further direction from the Province of Alberta due to Bill 50 and to direct Administration to bring forward a Bylaw repealing Bylaw 14-034.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.7 Committee Appointments

Ms. Heather Reid, Lead Legislative Officer presented the Committee Appointments item and answered any questions

25.242 MOVED

To defer the Committee Appointments item to the June 10, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSED SESSION

25.243 MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 11:39 a.m. pursuant to the following *Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* sections:

- s.21-Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations
- s.24-Advice from officials

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 9.1 Government of Alberta Correspondence & Infrastructure Update (s.21 FOIP – Intergovernmental Relations, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials)

The following Members of Administration were present during Closed Session for presenting and recording purposes: Manny Deol, Heather Reid, Danielle Patenaude, Abigail Hilligas, Kashif Ijaz, Mackenzie Zilinski, and Ali Memon.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

- 25.244 **MOVED**
To return to Open Session at 11:59 a.m.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

12:00 p.m. Public Input Session

The following individuals were present for the Public Input Session:

Mr. Joe Taha and Ms. Heyem Taha presented about water and sewer servicing in the Claude Lake area.

Mr. Jeff Malbeuf presented about his pending road construction request.

Mayor Reutov exited Chambers at 12:00 p.m. and returned at 12:01 p.m.

- 25.245 **MOVED**
To direct Administration to work with Mr. Jeff Malbeuf regarding his road construction request and bring forward a report to the June 10, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for Council's decision.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS Mayor Reutov called a recess at 12:28 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 1:05 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance except for Councillor Beniuk and Councillor Paré.

CLOSED SESSION

25.246

MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 1:06 p.m. pursuant to the following *Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* sections:

- s.16- Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party
- s.21-Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations
- s.24-Advice from officials
- s.27- Privileged information.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Transitional Housing (s.27 FOIP - Privileged Information)

The following Members of Administration were present during Closed Session for presenting and recording purposes: Manny Deol, Heather Reid, Danielle Patenaude, Gary Harman, Mackenzie Zilinski, and Sean Ward.

Councillor Paré returned to Council Chambers at 1:06 p.m.

Councillor Beniuk returned to Council Chambers at 1:08 p.m.

Councillor Beniuk exited Council Chambers at 1:09 p.m. and returned at 1:21 p.m.

9.3 Development Supply Matter (s.24 FOIP and s.16 FOIP)

The following Members of Administration were present during Closed Session for presenting and recording purposes: Manny Deol, Heather Reid, Gary Harman, Mackenzie Zilinski, and Danielle Patenaude.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

25.247 MOVED
To return to Open Session at 2:02 p.m.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

9.1 Government of Alberta Correspondence & Infrastructure Update
(s.21 FOIP, s.24 FOIP)

25.248 MOVED
To present an update and options, as discussed in Closed Session, at a future meeting of Council.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Transitional Housing (s.27 FOIP)

25.249 MOVED
That Council direct Administration to proceed as directed in Closed Session.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 Development Supply Matter (s.24 FOIP and s.16 FOIP)

25.250 MOVED

To direct Administration to proceed with the negotiations on the development supply matter, and to bring forward an amended Schedule of Fees to a future Council Meeting

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Reutov adjourned the June 3, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Paul Reutov, Mayor

Manny Deol,
Chief Administrative Officer